

# Big Surprise

Mama Bear lived in a very beautiful forest.

She was so kind and considerate that everyone loved her very much.

It was a nice warm afternoon.

Mama Bear was trying to take a nap when someone knocked on her door.

It was Cindy Rabbit.

"Hello, may I borrow some sugar?" Cindy asked.

"I don't have much sugar today," Mama Bear said, "But you may have all of it."

"Thank you," Cindy said and went away.

When Mama Bear closed her eyes, someone else knocked on her door.

It was Robin Raccoon.

"Good afternoon. Mama Bear. May I borrow two eggs?" Robin asked.

"I don't have many eggs today," Mama Bear said, "But you may have two."

"I'm sorry to bother you," said Robin.

"It's OK," said Mama Bear.

"Thank you," Robin said and went away.

"Oh, I'm so tired," said Mama Bear.

When she closed her eyes, someone else knocked on her door.

It was David Turtle.

"May I borrow some flour, Mama Bear?" David asked.

"I don't have much flour today," Mama Bear said, "But you may have all of it."

"Thank you," David said and went away.

When Mama Bear closed her eyes again, someone else knocked on her door.

It was Linda squirrel.

"May I borrow four apples?" Linda asked.

"I don't have many apples today," Mama Bear said, "But you may take four."

"Thank you," Linda said and went away.

"I hope no one will bother me again," said Mama Bear and went to sleep for four hours!

When she woke up, she heard a knocking at her door.

"I wonder who it is," said Mama Bear.

She opened the door.

"SURPRISE!" shouted Cindy Rabbit, Robin Raccoon, David Turtle and Linda Squirrel.

"Today is your birthday. We used your sugar, eggs, flours and apples to make a cake for you!" they said. "Happy Birthday!"

"I am so happy," said Mama Bear,

"Come inside and we can have the delicious cake together."

"This is the happiest day of my life."