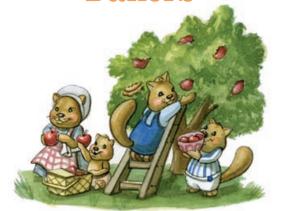


## Tickle-Your-Taste-Buds **Bakers**



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# Welcome to Honeysuckle Hollow

where all the woodland creatures work together to take care of each other and their environment.

Every animal family has a special job and every day is an adventure. With their creativity, generosity and sweet spirit, these friends make chores chockfull of fun.



Meet all the Li'l Woodzeez<sup>TM</sup> families in the back of this book.





Honeybun Bushytail was happily peeling apples for her family's Tickle-Your-Taste-Buds Bakery.

They were making oodles of pies for a big order the next day.

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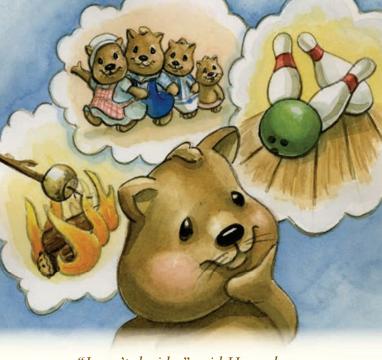
"Honeybun, how should we celebrate your birthday tomorrow night?" her father Oliver asked.

"Let's go bowling!" called out her brother Henry who was slicing apples.



"Dancing!" piped up Grandma Agnes, as she rolled pie crust dough.

"A birthday bonfire!" said her mother Maggie as she sprinkled cinnamon and sugar on pies.



"I can't decide," said Honeybun.



It was hard to choose. Each idea sounded fun.

"I can't decide," said Honeybun. "But I love surprises—so surprise me!"



The Tickle-Your-Taste-Buds
Bakery was busy busy
busy that day.

The squirrel family picked more apples and baked more pies while they told jokes and giggled.



That night, Maggie asked a sleepy Honeybun which cozy pajamas she'd like to wear:

"The pair with beavers ice skating or the ones with raccoons playing baseball?"



"I love surprises," Honeybun said. "Surprise me!"



Honeybun thought about it. She loved beavers *and* raccoons. She liked to ice skate *and* play ball.

"I love surprises," she said.
"Surprise me!"



The next day was even busier for the bakers.

They picked even more apples and baked even more pies and had even more fun.



Then it was time to deliver all the pies on their bicycle built for two.

"Do you want to ride in the front or the back?" Henry asked Honeybun.





That was a hard choice. The squirrel in the front steered the bike, which was exciting.

But the squirrel in the back could daydream and sightsee.



"I know, I know," said Henry. He grinned. "Surprise you, right?"

He hopped onto the front seat so Honeybun sat on the back seat. They towed a wagon stacked with pies.



Away they pedaled to Honeysuckle Hollow Park to deliver the desserts.

When they arrived, Henry stopped the bike and frowned. "I forgot the pie server!" he cried.





Honeybun said she'd run back and get it lickety-split. "Luckily no one's here yet," she hollered as she scampered away.

But that wasn't quite true.



All her woodland friends were hiding behind rocks, bushes and branches.

They jumped out and got to work decorating trees with daisy streamers and mixing raspberry punch.



Colorful picnic blankets were spread on the grass. Henry, Maggie and Oliver set their many apple pies on the table.

"Here comes Honeybun!" said Grandma Agnes.





"Surprise!" everyone yelled. "Happy Birthday, Honeybun!"

"You said you liked surprises," said Henry.

"Especially tickle-my-tastebuds surprises!" laughed Honeybun.

#### COLLECT ALL THE LI'L WOO



## The Waterwaggle<sup>TM</sup> Beaver Family Busy Beaver Launderette

Tapper and Tiny gather the freshly washed laundry off the clothesline and can't help burying their faces in the crisp bed sheets. Their parents, Lulu and Bobby, put up with their antics, but don't realize how important "sniffing the sheets" will become in Honeysuckle Hollow.



## The Handydandy™ Mouse Family Bitty Fix-It Crew to the Rescue

When something breaks in Honeysuckle Hollow, the woodland creatures skedaddle to the Bitty Fix-It Shop. That's where Mimi and Benjamin, and their kids, Nibbles and Sunny, repair just about anything. From squeaky school desks to broken kites, they're the go-to fix-it mice.



## The Bushytail™ Squirrel Family Tickle-Your-Taste-Buds Bakers

The Tickle-Your-Taste-Buds Bakery makes the most scrumptious pies in town. Maggie and Oliver, along with their kids, Henry and Honeybun, pick and peel apples while Grandma Agnes gets the pie crusts ready. Then it's time to deliver their pies on a bicycle built for two.

#### DZEEZ™ FRIENDS & BOOKS



#### The Whooswhoo<sup>TM</sup> Owl Family

Nighty-Night-Sleep-Tight Safety Service Delores and Owen, and their kids, Pete and Peep, can see all over town from their watchtower. It's important that everything's in order in Honeysuckle Hollow. One day, after cousin Keith slips on banana peels, they investigate and find a trail of peels that leads to a mystery.



## The Whiffpuff<sup>IM</sup> Skunk Family Fresh-as-a-Daisy Air Quality Patrol

Thanks to Jasmine and Jacob, and their twin daughters, Iris and Violet, Honeysuckle Hollow smells wonderful. The skunk family picks flowers, berries, herbs and spices, then creates special scents and soaps. Iris and Violet like bathtime, too. Rub-a-dub-dub, two skunks in a tub!



## The Tidyshine™ Turtle Family Clean-as-a-Whistle Tidying Service

Dishes don't stay dirty long in Honeysuckle Hollow. Suds and Sally, and their children, Buster and Bubbles, zip from one kitchen to the next on roller skates. They've earned a spotless reputation for scrubbing pots and pans until every last one is clean.







#### The Swiftysweeper™ Hedgehog Family

Sweep, Mop, Sparkle & Shine Specialists

When May and Whoosh are too busy cleaning floors, they get their twins, Moppy and Dusty, to help. They're hard workers but cannot resist the opportunity to have some fun. After a mishap that results in a visit to the health center, they realize that life is not all work and no play.

## The Hoppingood™ Rabbit Family Hoppin' Healthy Harvesters

Amelia and Elliot are picking blueberries at their farm. When their children, Star and Theo, get hungry, they decide to eat a few of the ripe berries. But one handful leads to another and soon the whole basket is empty! Will there be enough for everyone in Honeysuckle Hollow now?

## The Diggadilly<sup>TM</sup> Raccoon Family Reduce, Reuse & Recycle Crew

Debbie and Stripe Diggadilly, and their parents, Rose and Rocco, hate to see anything go to waste. Their business, the Reduce, Reuse & Recycle Crew, specializes in making treasures out of trash and art gems out of junk. All it takes is a little imagination and elbow grease. When Debbie and Stripe find an old fence at the dump, they also find a clever solution to a problem for their classmates.



Countryside Cottage

Honeysuckle Schoolhouse



Living Room & Nursery Furniture and Accessories Classroom & Playground

Furniture and Accessories

① The Bushytails have hidden one pie in each picture inside this book.

Can you find all 7 pies?



Everyone in Honeysuckle Hollow knows that the Bushytail squirrels' Tickle-Your-Taste-Buds Bakery has the most scrumptious pies in town. A huge pie order for a party makes things busy busy busy for Maggie and Oliver, their kids, Henry and Honeybun, and Grandma Agnes.

But with all the apple peeling, pie dough rolling and baking going on, will they find time to celebrate Honey-bun's birthday?

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