

MAHÎKAN

MEETS THE FAMILY TREE

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STORYBOOK



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What's in this Learning Kit?

Teacher/Facilitator Guide

Storybook: MAHÎKAN MEETS THE FAMILY TREE

Student/Participant Activity
Worksheet(s):

- DISCOVERING MY FAMILY TREE/
CREATING MY FAMILY TREE
- MY FAMILY TREE
- RECONNECTING WITH MY
ANCESTRAL NAME



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One day, a little pup woke up all alone in the forest.

“Where am I? Where did I come from?” he worried out loud.

Feeling scared, the pup wandered through the trees. Every sound made him jump.

“Where am I from? Where is my family? Do I have a mother or father? Where do I belong?” he wondered.

Where am I from?





I'm lost, Whyte Bear.

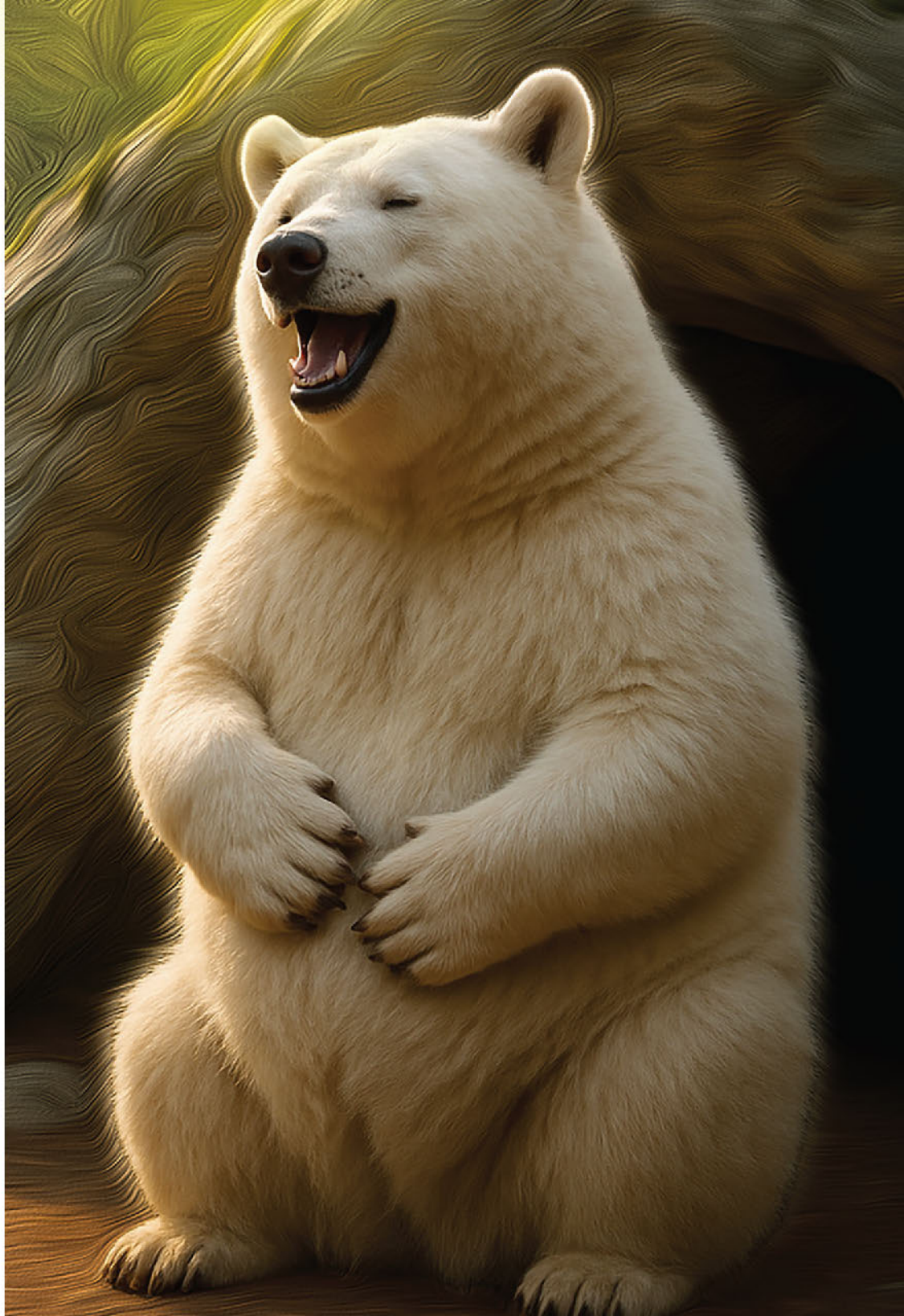
Suddenly, a large white bear stepped onto the path in front of him. Pup froze, too scared to move.

But the bear spoke in a gentle, warm voice.

"Do not be afraid, young one. I am not here to eat you. I am Whyte Bear, the bravest in the forest. And you can be brave too," she said kindly. ***"Who are you? Why are you alone? Where is your family?"***

"I... I don't know," Pup replied. ***"I'm lost, and I don't know how to find my family."***

Whyte Bear let out a deep, booming laugh that made the whole forest tremble.





"Oh, little one," she said, **"you must seek the Great Family Tree. His roots reach all across Pukatawagan – through the lakes, rivers, meadows, and even the rocks. If anyone knows your family, it will be him. He knows all the animals in the forest. He will know who you are and where you belong."**

Pup thanked Whyte Bear and began his journey.

"Remember," she called out, **"to find where you belong, ask for help from others, follow the roots, and you will find your dreams."**

Follow the roots...





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