



THE
MOON
RABBIT

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On the quiet and peaceful surface of the moon lived a wise white rabbit. The rabbit spent many days and nights gazing down at the glowing earth below.

One day, when the rabbit looked down, it saw the earth shining bright with a golden glow. This was a special sign to the world that a new year was about to begin, and that the people of the earth were beginning to celebrate.





The rabbit, eager to join in the celebrations, decided to travel down to earth. Thumping its snowy hind legs once, twice, three times, the rabbit leaped high into the air, soaring off into the sky. Following the stars, the rabbit bound through the night, eager to see what the new year would bring.

The moon rabbit
flew over far,
crossing oceans and
fields, eventually
making its way to
a city. The city was
alive with the sounds
of fireworks and
music, but as the
rabbit flew, it heard
a sound that caught
its attention.





With a twitch of
its ear, the rabbit
followed the sound,
where it saw a
girl sitting at her
windowsill, tears
streaming down her
face.

The rabbit flew up to the windowsill and asked, “Little girl, why do you cry?”

The girl wiped her tears and looked at the rabbit with a sad smile. “I’m crying because I’m all alone,” she said. “I have no family or friends to celebrate the new year with.”





The rabbit, feeling sympathy for the girl, perched on her lap and said, “Well, you’re not alone anymore. Come. Climb on to my back. We can celebrate the new year together.”

Before the girl's eyes, the rabbit grew and grew. Climbing onto its back, the girl held tight as the rabbit thumped its legs, and leapt into the night.





The rabbit showed the girl many wonderful things. They watched the fireworks, sang songs, and danced the night away. On the girl's face was a smile as bright as the stars. Together with the rabbit, she was no longer alone.

Before they knew
it, the sunrise had
snuck upon them.
The rabbit landed
on the earth and
shrank once more.
Turning to the girl
it spoke. "My dear,
I must return to my
home on the moon.
My time on Earth
has come to an end,
and I cannot stay any
longer."





At this, the girl burst into tears. She felt as if she was losing her one true friend. “But what will I do without you?” She cried. “If you leave, I will be alone once more.”



The rabbit smiled and said, "But you will always have me with you, my friend. I will watch over you from the surface of the moon. Whenever you need me, just look up to the night and know that I am there, thinking of you."



Embracing the rabbit, the girl whispered her thanks for all of the wonderful memories they had shared. As she let go, the rabbit rose high into the sky, growing smaller and smaller until it became a tiny dot on the moon.

As dawn broke the horizon, the girl returned to her home. Falling into bed, the girl fell asleep with a smile, knowing her closest friend would be watching over her, always.

