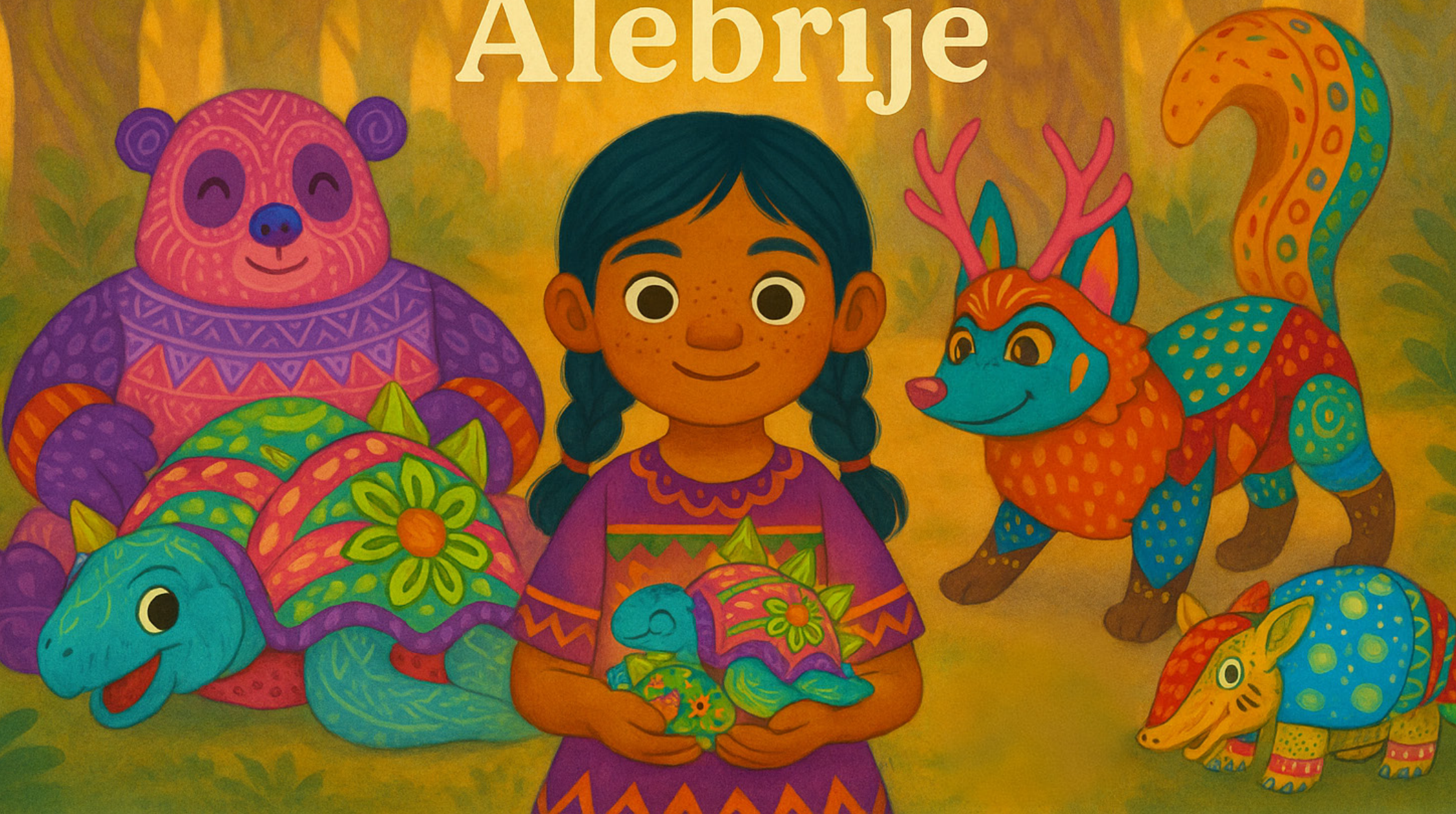


# Violet and the Alebrije







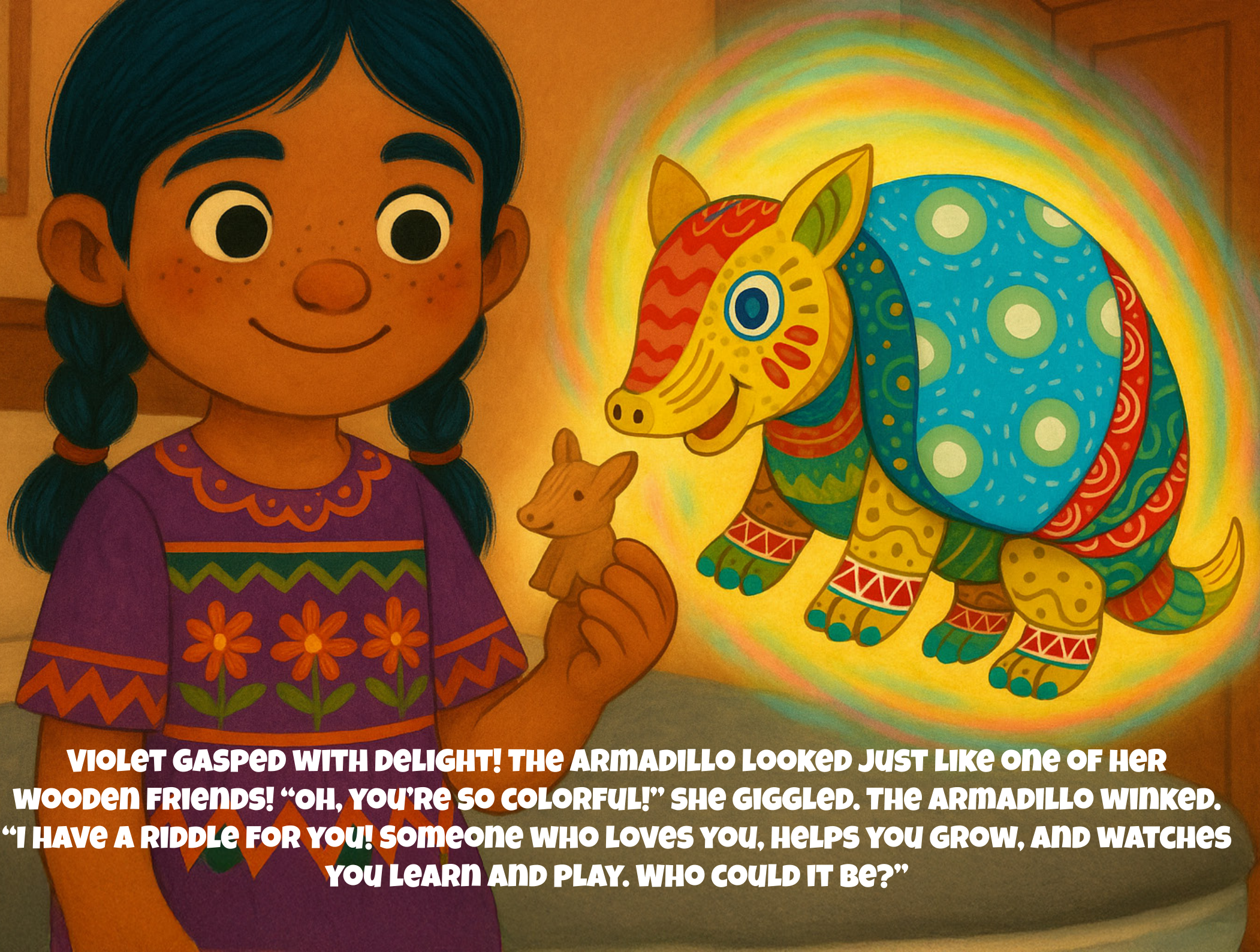
**VIOLET WOKE UP IN A COZY BED, BUT SOMETHING FELT A LITTLE FUZZY, LIKE A DREAM THAT HAD SLIPPED AWAY. SHE LOOKED AT HER HANDS AND SAW SIX TINY, PLAIN WOODEN ANIMAL FRIENDS. “WHERE DID THESE COME FROM?” SHE WONDERED. A GENTLE, COLORFUL GLOW PEEKED FROM UNDER HER WARDROBE DOOR.**





**VIOLET TIPTOED TO THE WARDROBE. INSIDE, A BEAUTIFUL, SWIRLING ORB OF COLORS WOBBLLED. SLOWLY, IT UNCURLLED, AND A BRIGHT, DAZZLING ARMADILLO SAT THERE, BLINKING ITS SPARKLY EYES! “HELLO, VIOLET!” IT CHIRPED. “I’M HERE TO HELP YOU REMEMBER SOMETHING WONDERFUL!”**





**VIOLET GASPED WITH DELIGHT! THE ARMADILLO LOOKED JUST LIKE ONE OF HER WOODEN FRIENDS! “OH, YOU’RE SO COLORFUL!” SHE GIGGLED. THE ARMADILLO WINKED. “I HAVE A RIDDLE FOR YOU! SOMEONE WHO LOVES YOU, HELPS YOU GROW, AND WATCHES YOU LEARN AND PLAY. WHO COULD IT BE?”**



**VIOLET THOUGHT HARD.  
“IS IT... FAMILY?” SHE  
ASKED. “YES!” CHEERED  
THE ARMADILLO. AND  
WITH A HAPPY WHOOSH,  
THE ARMADILLO JOINED  
ITS LITTLE WOODEN**

**FRIEND, MAKING IT  
GLOW WITH ALL THE  
COLORS OF A RAINBOW!  
WARM, HAPPY  
FEELINGS OF HUGS  
AND LAUGHTER FILLED  
VIOLET’S HEART.**







**“NOW, LET’S EXPLORE!” SAID A NEW VOICE. A BRIGHT, CLEVER FOX WITH LITTLE ANTLERS APPEARED FROM THE TREES! “THE FOREST WANTS TO SHOW YOU MORE WONDERS!” VIOLET FELT A FLUTTER OF EXCITEMENT TO DISCOVER WHAT ELSE WAS OUT THERE.**





**“I HAVE ANOTHER RIDDLE,” WHISPERED THE FOX. “SOMEONE WHO PLAYS WITH YOU, SHARES SECRETS, AND MAKES YOU GIGGLE ALL DAY. WHO IS THAT?” VIOLET THOUGHT OF HER FAVORITE PLAYTIME FRIEND. “A FRIEND!” SHE SAID HAPPILY. AND WITH A HAPPY WHOOSH, THE FOX JOINED ITS LITTLE WOODEN FRIEND, MAKING IT BRIGHT AND GLOWING WITH FRIENDSHIP!**



**DEEPER IN THE FOREST, NEAR A WARM, GLOWING CAMPFIRE, SAT A BIG, ROUND PANDA. HE LOOKED SO PEACEFUL. "HELLO, VIOLET," HE RUMBLED.**



**"SOMETIMES, WHEN THINGS FEEL TRICKY, IT HELPS TO BE  
THANKFUL FOR WHAT YOU HAVE, RIGHT NOW."**



**“THINK OF ALL THE WONDERFUL THINGS AROUND YOU,” SAID THE PANDA. “THE CRACKLING FIRE, THE STARLIGHT, FEELING SAFE AND WARM. ISN’T THAT NICE?” VIOLET SMILED. “YES, IT IS!” SHE AGREED. AND WITH A HAPPY WHOOSH, THE PANDA JOINED ITS LITTLE WOODEN FRIEND, MAKING IT GLOW WITH WARM, THANKFUL COLORS!**





**VIOLET BOUNCED ALONG, FEELING LIGHTER AND HAPPIER. SOON, SHE FOUND A SPARKLING LAKE WITH GRACEFUL BIRDS DANCING ON THE ICE! one BIG, WISE TURTLE SWAM UP TO HER. “HELLO, BRAVE one,” IT SAID SOFTLY. “LOVE IS THE BIGGEST ADVENTURE OF ALL!”**







**THE TURTLE SMILED. “REMEMBER ALL THE PEOPLE WHO MAKE YOUR HEART FEEL WARM AND HAPPY. THAT’S LOVE, AND IT’S A SUPER-DUPER TREASURE!” VIOLET THOUGHT OF EVERYONE SHE LOVED. AND WITH A HAPPY WHOOSH, THE TURTLE JOINED ITS LITTLE WOODEN FRIEND, FILLING IT WITH GLOWING, LOVING COLORS!**





**AS THE SUN PEEKED OVER THE TREES, VIOLET SAW HER COZY HOUSE! SHE LOOKED AT HER WOODEN FRIENDS, NOW ALL BRIGHTLY COLORED ALEBRIJES. EACH ONE REMINDED HER OF A HAPPY MEMORY: HER FAMILY, HER FRIENDS, FEELING THANKFUL, AND ALL THE LOVE IN HER HEART.**





**VIOLET SMILED. HER HEART WAS FULL OF SO MUCH HAPPINESS AND SO MANY WONDERFUL MEMORIES! THE MAGICAL FOREST HAD HELPED HER REMEMBER HOW SPECIAL HER LIFE ALREADY WAS. AND SHE KNEW THAT EVERY DAY HELD NEW WONDERS TO APPRECIATE.**



A whimsical illustration of a forest at night. In the center background, a bright, glowing sun or moon is partially obscured by the silhouettes of trees, casting a warm, golden light. The forest is filled with tall, slender trees with dark trunks and dense green foliage. Numerous small, glowing yellow fireflies are scattered throughout the scene, illuminating the trees and the forest floor. The ground is covered with green grass and small, dark green bushes. The overall atmosphere is magical and serene.

**THE END**