



### Old Bear® short tale

Long ago on a cold rainy day, early humans arrived in the forest to find a new home. Old Bear® did not like this disturbance of the peaceful forest, so to protect his family he began to destroy all that the humans had brought with them.

First, with his large, strong paws Old Bear® tore apart their big wood walls. Then inside the shattered walls he discovered a little child in a cradle. The child had been left alone and his loud crying was too much for Old Bear®, piercing the silence of the forest.

But when he approached the child, he suddenly stopped. The child had quieted and seemed to be without fear of Old Bear®, gently touching and caressing his soft fur. Old Bear® was moved by the young child's sweet innocence.

Old Bear® immediately opened his heart to the young child, picked him up, and held him in a warm embracing hug. He promised himself that he would be an everlasting friend to the child.

Over the years, the child grew up healthy and strong. He became familiar with all of the secrets of the forest and learned to craft his own tools, always helped by the faithful presence of Old Bear®, his giant friend.

One day Old Bear® brought him gifts of a piece of wood and a shiny piece of iron. With these two elements collected by wise Old Bear®, the child was able to create a strong, sharp, and irreplaceable knife - perfect for all of the exciting and courageous adventures he would face over the years.