

Opening extract from The Wind in the Willows

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In a panic, Mole began to run, bumping into things and falling over. Shaking with fear, he hid in the hollow of an old oak tree – lost, worn out and very, very scared. Meanwhile, Rat had woken up. "Moly!" he called but there was no answer. He saw Mole's coat and boots were gone and went outside. There, in the mud, were Mole's tracks – leading straight into the Wild Wood.