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MISS SHEEP ADVENTURES

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SHEEP ADVENTURE #11

LOSING SOME WEIGHT

When Wombat came back from Australia, he looked chubby. I guess his mom's home cooking was too good to pass on. Maybe he was also not active enough, and he lounged on the sofa all day long. What did that all add up to? Definitely a big belly. MISS SHEEP too had let herself go, so busy at the office with the robot, and also busy at computer school (not eating right). I doubt she would be able to fit into her bikini!

They both were disappointed seeing themselves in the mirror, "I do not want to be fat". I reminded them that there existed an easy solution: watch your diet and start exercising. Easier said than done, but both of them were very diligent. The next morning, they enrolled in the gym, and they asked me to cook them healthy food.

{No ice cream in the freezer.}

You know if they really want something, they will do their best to get it done.

They walked to the gym early in the morning, and I cannot believe MISS SHEEP bought herself fancy exercise attire!

{It is important to look stylish...



going to the gym.}

The gym was close to the house. They had a trainer at the gym, they worked with weights,



and then got onto the treadmill. Tell you the truth, I've never seen a sheep and a wombat side by side on a treadmill. There is a first for everything.

The trainer suggested taking a cycling class. I wonder how their short feet reached the pedals?



That was very hard. After that class, they were really sweating, and they needed to hydrate. Time for a break, they went to the cafeteria for some food and plenty of water. "I never thought cycling would be so hard."



After their break, it was time for some yoga. The gym had a nice and clean yoga studio. The two friends look very cute doing yoga.

They were tired after the class, and they had enough of the gym. They headed home. I think they took a nap on the sofa when they got home.

They had a healthy dinner that night and went right to bed. Before they slept, I went to their room and asked:

“Do you guys know why sleep is so important? Let me tell you.”

- **That is the time when your body repairs itself.**
- **Sleep improves your problem-solving abilities and helps with creativity.**
- **You probably have realized that when you are tired and have not gotten enough sleep, you become fussy and cranky, and you cannot concentrate on what you are doing.**
- **Sleep helps you grow, and getting enough sleep protects you from becoming sick (your immune system works better).**

The next morning, they called some neighborhood friends to play pickleball with them. That was exciting. It is good exercise and also lots of fun. They played for hours. Running around, chasing the ball!



They must have lost some weight by now!
{hmmm, I do not know.}

This was so much fun that they decided to continue three days a week. I am glad they found something they all enjoy. They went to the gym as much as they could and played pickleball. They said they felt good, had lots more energy, and they were sure their weights were coming down. It is very good to see both of them moving instead of just sitting on the couch.

The increased energy level had them thinking about their next adventure. {Sleeping in bed wearing their warm new pajamas, I heard them whispering about new adventures.}



The next morning, it was Saturday, and they decided to take the day off and have a relaxing day. When I went into their room, they were still in bed talking. They were cute next to each other. They wanted to know if they could have breakfast in bed?

I said ok since they had been working hard. This was the first time they were eating in bed, and that was fun for them. Does this look like a healthy breakfast to you?





After breakfast, it was time for a nice, warm bubble bath. Sheep and a Wombat in a bubble bath?

{It looks very cozy in there. I admit, if it were me, I would spend the whole day in that tub.

Why does Sheep need rollers in her hair? Is she not curly enough?}

Good, the curlers came off, less pressure on her head. I do not know what they talked about



in the tub, but they said they had a new adventure! I am sure sooner or later we will find out. Keep your eyes open.

SHEEP ADVENTURE #12

CELL PHONE

MISS SHEEP was sitting on the couch, staring at her phone. She had gotten this phone recently and was still figuring out how to use it. Wombs was sitting next to her, trying to help. "Hey, Wombs, I know how to dial numbers, and I just learned how to text". Wombat suggested for them to take a class they were offering at the store and maybe that way it would be easier to learn? Something to think about. They signed up for the class at the local store; meanwhile, they figured out how to enter all their contacts into the phone.



They texted their information to all their friends and waited patiently to see if anyone called or texted them.

They sat quietly on the sofa and enjoyed the quiet time. Suddenly, they heard a sound, and they saw that they got a text from Llama. "Wow its Llama," he was in Peru with his family and wanted to know how they were doing. They had so much fun talking with each other, they shared their stories and were looking forward to seeing each other over the summer.

Llama told them about Zoom calls, so that they could see each other



while talking and sharing their adventures. Sheep and Wombs assured Llama that they will learn how to zoom in the upcoming class. They said their goodbyes and hung up.

In the next few days, they learned more about the phone features, and they also took the class. Now they certainly are more knowledgeable. Every night after dinner, they sat on the couch and played

with the phone and scrolled. Watching this every night had me concerned. They were spending too much time on the phone, and recently they had learned how to play games on it. I think it was time for me to intervene.

I sat down with them and tried to explain the problem. Since they had the phone, they were not spending enough time going out of the house, going to the gym, or reading books. I explained that this was not healthy for them. "Didn't you guys promise to. Be more active? I know it's fun to spend time on the phone, but it should have limits. We should agree on the amount of time you guys can spend on the phone."

Starting tomorrow, you should go back to your previous healthy lifestyle, and only spend one hour on the phone every day. The friends agreed, I think they also had realized there was something wrong with the big picture. Starting that night, we again had nightly conversations, and read books, and engaged in household chores.

We were all happier this way. They still got texts and calls from Llama and their ballerina friends, but they did not spend the whole day doing that.

That night before they went to bed, Sheep went in to take a shower to relax. Suddenly, there was a loud banging on the door. MR WOMBAT was almost breaking the door down!



MISS SHEEP peaked from behind the shower curtain and asked what all that commotion was?



Wombs out of breath, exclaimed: "Sheep, Sheep, we got a text from our ballerina friends. They are coming to our city, and their

orchestra, which works with their ballet company, is short of some musicians. They were asking if we would like to play for them?

{no real orchestra would accept new musicians this easily, hahaha!}

Now Sheep was very excited too.

{Oh I forgot to tell you, before I knew Sheep and Wombs, they had learned how to play musical instruments. I guess they played since they were little. This is also news to me, but these days I believe everything I see! These two are certainly very talented.}

Sheep asked Wombs to leave so she could come out and get dressed, they can talk more then. Sheep came out and asked Wombs to repeat the story, and then asked "What did you tell our friends?"



“Well, I wanted to talk to you first”. Sheep thought for a moment and said let’s sleep on this tonight and think about it, then we can call them tomorrow and ask them about the details. They agreed. They had a good night’s sleep, and when they woke up, they both were sure about their decision to definitely take their friends up on their offer and play with the orchestra. {How exciting!}

They called their friends and told them the good news. Apparently, the company was coming in a few days, and they had one month to practice. They all agreed on the details, and the friends were going to audition for the company when they arrived.

By now, I do not have to tell you what the next adventure will be all about. I guess having that phone paid off; it landed them a new fabulous adventure!

{These guys look good no matter what they do!}



SHEEP ADVENTURE #13

MUSIC

Luckily, our friends had not packed their instruments too deep in the closet. They took them out and started practicing right then and there. MR WOMBAT played the violin, and MISS SHEEP could play the violin, cello, and piano. Fortunately, I already had a piano in the house.



The ballerina friends arrived with their orchestra before we knew it. The friends met with the concert musicians and set up a time to audition for them. The friends practiced very hard to make

themselves ready. I think they were working 6–7 hours a day. They had time for nothing else. I urged them to make sure they get enough sleep. They assured me that they would do so since they remembered what I had told them about the importance of sleep.

On the day of the audition, they were both ready. I went with them to cheer them on, which they really appreciated. They played for the orchestra with confidence, and they did not lose their cool. Every note was played beautifully.



I was so proud of them. The orchestra loved it too and wanted them to start immediately.

They had about three weeks till the performance, so they decided that they would practice with the musicians every day and master all the pieces. I guess practice makes perfect. Did you guys notice the same thing as I did? Yes, the concert musicians consisted of all sheep! Isn't that odd? But it is an imaginary world, and anything is bound to happen. {Don't ask.}

The concert day came, and every one of them put their heart and soul into that performance. They were fantastic.



The concert lasted a couple of hours, and after they finished, the audience gave them a standing ovation. I think they even surprised themselves. All of them sounded really good. In the end, they took their bows, and we all left together.

The ballerinas were not dancing for this performance, but they were going to another city tomorrow, and that is where those guys were dancing. Sheep and Wombs were so glad to have this chance to spend time with the ballerinas. They would give anything to go back to Paris again sometime. We said our goodbyes and so longs.

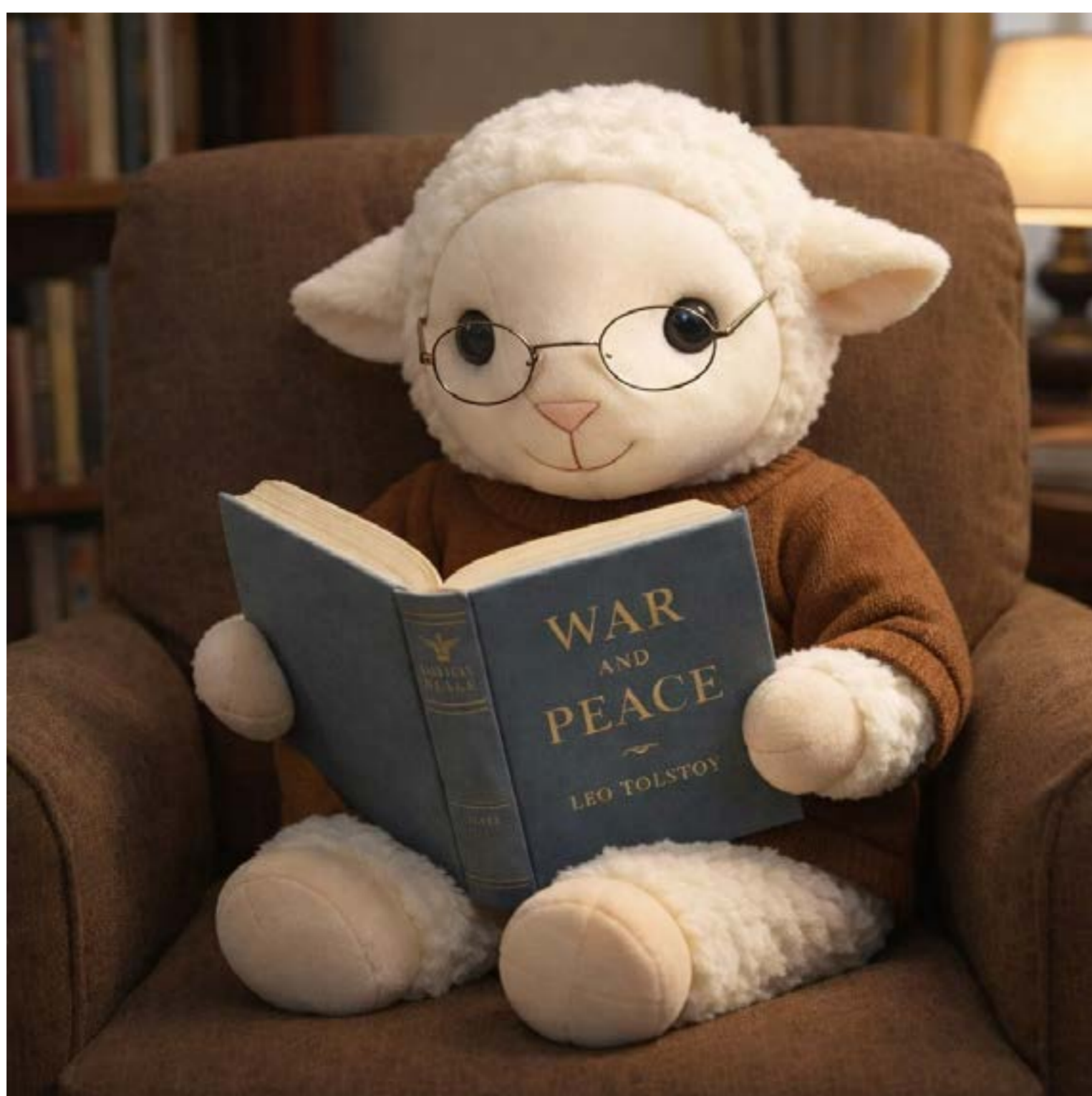
That night in bed, Sheep and Wombie promised to continue practicing their instruments. "It is nice to play," they told each other. For the most part, these guys stick to what they start. I like that about them.

They were both tired, they said goodnight, and fell asleep in no time.

SHEEP ADVENTURE #14

EXPLORING SF

Things had calmed down a bit after the classical concert. We were all going about our daily routine. {What is a daily routine for a sheep and a wombat?} You should know though, these guys had started to read more books and magazines. I was surprised, not because of what they were doing, but because they were reading classical novels and reading articles that were informative. {They liked being sophisticated.}



{They both look very comfortable.}

One day out of the blue, I received a phone call from my long-time friend who lives in Europe. I was both surprised and excited that she had called. We chatted for a long time on the phone, and in the end, she informed me that her companion MR SHEEP wanted to have some worldly experiences, so he wanted to come and visit with us and spend some time with Sheep and Wombs.

{Well, this caught me by surprise.

“This would be interesting,” I told myself, “another sheep in the house?”}

After I got over my surprise, I told my friend that we would be very happy to have him, and they could all go and explore San Francisco together. I said goodbye to my friend, and before she hung up, I found out that MR SHEEP is coming in a few days.

I shared this news with sheep and wombs, they both started jumping up and down, and they also jumped on the furniture! They thought it would be wonderful to spend time with a new friend.

We all started getting ready for our guest, and that is all they talked about. Their days were almost all planned out. The night before he was coming, they could hardly sleep!

The day came, and we all picked up MR SHEEP from the airport. Wow, I think these guys are prepared.



When they met, it seemed as if they had known each other for the longest time. They hugged and started talking and asking questions, but I was not included in their conversation, which I am not surprised at all. I love it that these guys embrace their friends from their hearts. These friendships are simple.

We all got into the car and came home. I had prepared a meal for them, and we all had a chance to get to know each other better. MR SHEEP was very nice, and he was very grateful and appreciative of the invitation. {I think all sheep are nice creatures.}



After dinner, they all helped with the cleanup, and then they sat on the couch discussing what they wanted to do. {MISS SHEEP and MR SHEEP look very cozy!} They decided to go out tomorrow and explore San Francisco. Therefore, they went to bed early so they would be prepared for their fun-filled day.

The next morning, they all had a hearty breakfast and started their day {I am glad it did not take long for MR SHEEP to adjust.} First stop was to get on the cable car YooHoo!



After the cable car, they went to the crooked Lombard Street. They walked up and down, and when they were finished, they were all out of breath.



Then they walked up and down Market Street. They were getting a bit tired and hungry, so they stopped for a quick lunch and some coffee. {I never knew sheep and wombat could drink coffee!}

After lunch, MR SHEEP wanted to experience the hilly streets in San Francisco (even though they had just come down Lombard Street). Since he was the guest, they did what he wanted and challenged themselves going up some very steep inclines. {It is good they were not wearing heels. HaHa.} As they were walking the streets, they ended up in Union Square and peeked their heads into a couple of fancy boutiques. I wonder if they bought anything?

Since they had walked a lot, they decided to take a bus and go to the Embarcadero. They went to the Ferry Building. "Wow this is great to be by the water; I can see the ships, and I can walk in all these shops. Maybe I'll take back some souvenirs," said MR SHEEP.

The only thing he was not pleased about was the cold weather; the poor thing was freezing.



No one had warned him about the cold weather and the fog in San Francisco. Luckily, we found a shop that had warm scarves. "Boy, that really helped."

The friends were tired after a long day, so they decided to come home and continue their sightseeing tomorrow. They got home and had a quick bite to eat, immediately went to bed, and you guessed it, they fell asleep as soon as their heads hit the pillow. In the morning, they dressed and got out of the house as quickly as they could. They had lots of places to see.

First, they had to go to the Golden Gate Bridge. {They took their scarves.}





They loved the bridge. They went to Vista Point and enjoyed the view. Then they headed to Golden Gate Park and the Marina Green; there were so many places they wanted to see. The park was fabulous, and after visiting the Academy of Sciences, they took a load off and sat down to watch the concert in the park.

Since they were in the area, they also had to visit the museum in the park. Another long day. It was close to sunset, and they went to Ocean Beach, and despite the cold breeze from the ocean, they sat on the beach and watched the sun go down.

They came home and told me all about their adventures. MR SHEEP was having a wonderful time. The next day they walked the hilly streets of San Francisco again, they saw the Painted Ladies, and they actually read about it on their phones. They also had to discover some of the hidden staircases in San Francisco. They went up and down, so much energy! They decided to spend the afternoon at Fishermans wharf. It was funny for them to hear the seals. They walked all over and had some ice cream.



They could not leave the wharf without having fresh seafood. {I really cannot imagine them eating seafood! But they

did, and they said it was the best thing they ever had.}

It was late, and they headed home. They sure had a jam-packed schedule, and they certainly saw a lot. MR SHEEP was supposed to return home in a few days. As I was cleaning in the kitchen that night, I heard Sheep and Wombs telling MR SHEEP that they are trying to be more sophisticated. They were saying that they are trying to educate themselves by reading a lot of books and watching ballets and concerts. They encouraged MR SHEEP to do the same since it was good to learn new things, and it was fun.

They told MR SHEEP that they were taking him to this event at the San Francisco Opera House tomorrow night. There would be a gala beforehand and then a classical music concert. {Someone tell me who invited these two to this event? I am not going to bother to ask.}

In the morning, both MR SHEEP and Wombat went to rent a tuxedo. MISS SHEEP went to the beauty salon to get dolled up, and then she went and bought herself a fancy dress. How many fancy dresses do you think MISS SHEEP has in her closet? They all look fantastic. They took so many pictures that night.

The gala was great, and the concert was so enjoyable.



Do not even mention the food; it was absolutely delicious. MR SHEEP agreed that he likes this kind of event. They were out late since the concert went long, and they danced the night away afterwards. By the time they got home in that fancy limousine, which I really do not know where they rented it from. {Possibly the *Sheep Limo Company*}, it was close to dawn.



They slept in the next day and decided to spend MR SHEEP'S last day at home so they could talk and review what they had done and sort out all the pictures they had taken. The day was very relaxing.

I also had some time to spend with them. After dinner, they all went to bed early since MR SHEEP had an early flight out in the morning.

He took Uber to the airport, but before leaving, they said their long goodbyes and promised to keep each other informed about what they were up to.

Since they had learned to use Zoom, they could get in touch using it and see each other. MR SHEEP left, and he did text them when he got home. He was very thankful for everything we had done for him, and he sent us all a thank-you gift. My friend also told me MR SHEEP was very happy with his trip, and he would love for us to visit them in Europe sometime. We also all told my friend that we really enjoyed having MR SHEEP.

In a few days, when all the excitement dies down, I will be hearing about what will be happening in the near future.

{I know they are thinking about a new adventure; the little wheels in their heads never stop turning.}

SHEEP ADVENTURE #15

NEXT STOP TURKEY



Ok, guys, whose idea was this? Who thought about going to Turkey out of the blue? Sheep and Wombie were sitting on the couch after dinner, exchanging brilliant ideas! Suddenly, I hear MISS SHEEP wanting to explore Turkey. She started telling me: "You know we are trying to be more sophisticated, we enjoy learning about new cultures and going places which are very different from where we live."

“The people are different, their religion is different, and their food is different; we can go and experience that first hand.” Wombs also agreed. You know though these friends are very smart and logical, they wanted to read some books about Turkey first to learn more before packing their bags and just going. I thought that was a brilliant idea, “my smart little friends.”

I also learned a lot about Turkey. To tell you the truth, I also wanted to go to Turkey. I insisted on sharing this adventure with them. We talked about going to Istanbul first, then maybe we could go to Konya, and then Cappadocia? Where we could ride in a hot air balloon. Then we could head south and have a little Mediterranean vacation in Antalya, of course, at the end we should not miss Kusadasi and Ephesus(Roman Ruins). Then we return to Istanbul to head back home. “That sounds so exciting,” both of them said. “Let’s do it.” By now, you know these guys do what they really want to do.



I am happy that we all had our passports, but we had to apply for a visa. The line was a bit long, but luckily, it went fast, and we obtained our visas without any issues.

“Now we buy our plane tickets and pack our bags, then we are ready to leave”. I told them they can use their phones to buy the plane tickets, which surprised them. We had a discussion about all the stuff they can do on their phones.



That night, they got their suitcases from the attic and started packing, comfortable clothes and shoes. {By now they are experts at packing bags}

When the day came, we all went to the airport and took off for Istanbul.

Guess which airline we took?

Turkish Sheep Airline!

{This plane looks very crowded, they are all traveling to Turkey?} Is Wombat a bit nervous? Sheep is holding his hand.



No worries, everything went fine, and we made it to Istanbul without any glitches.

We caught a Taxi cab to the hotel we had reserved. We did pretty well –



the hotel looks fancy. The check-in process was pretty smooth, and we ended up in a fabulous room. Look at that view from our room. We all relaxed that night in our rooms and decided





to have dinner in the room. We all went to bed early that night since we had a long day planned for the next day.

It was the best night's sleep ever, we got up in the morning and got ready to have some Turkish breakfast. "Look at all the food in the buffet!" {Thousands of hours of exercise and walking will not bring down all the weight we will gain on this trip.} That breakfast though was really good and filled them up, ready for their adventures. We had booked a tour to go all around Istanbul. I liked it because we could hit all the famous places and learn about the culture and history.

We were able to see the Blue Mosque and Hagia Sophia. The heads had to be covered in order to go inside the mosques.}



Next stop was the Dolmabahce Palace and the Topkapi Palace. We learned about the Ottoman Empire! {I think MISS SHEEP bought herself a new sweater.}



They were a bit tired from being on their little feet the whole morning, so we stopped for some Turkish coffee.



“That really hit the spot, especially the Baklava, Yum Yum!”

I wonder if someone read their fortune using the Turkish coffee?

That evening, we wanted to take a scenic cruise on the Bosphorus.

Istanbul is beautiful as the sun is setting. Wow, they look fancy. We cruised along and had a great time. Tomorrow, the big plan was to go to the Grand Bazaar.



Again, we had a great night. We woke up early to take a walk along the water. Istanbul has a lot of gorgeous walking paths. We got back to the hotel and got ready to go to the Bazaar. All of us were excited. I can definitely get lost in this place. {Is Sheep having coffee again? Can sheep drink coffee?}



We had such a good time at the bazaar, we explored every corner, and of course, we had to buy some souvenirs. We spent the whole day in this place and still wanted more. We finally peeled ourselves away from the bazaar to go back.

The next morning, we packed up and headed for Cappadocia. The friends were



jumping out of their skins to go for a hot air balloon ride. That balloon ride was so much fun, and what they saw really exceeded their expectations. They were so excited to see all those rock formations on the ground. Apparently, they are called “fairy chimneys”; they have a volcanic origin. It was hard to get them out of the balloon; they kept asking for another ride!



Eventually, we left, but they promised each other to come back another time. I bet nobody has ever seen a sheep and a wombat in a hot air balloon! The next stop in Turkey was the south, Antalya, and on the way over, we saw Konya, which is the place where the famous mystic poet Rumi is buried.

We finally arrived in Antalya and checked into our resort hotel. "I love this," they both shouted. Happy to say the weather was also gorgeous. Maybe we can take a dip in the pool. "I can live here every day." The hotel had the best service, and whatever they asked for was ready.



After a few days though, I told them that we have to leave since we still have to go to Kusadasi and Ephesus.

In Kusadasi, we saw the castle on Pigeon Island. We also relaxed a bit and had to see the Kusadasi Grand Bazaar. Our last place to explore was Ephesus, which is an archeological site and was a major ancient Greek and Roman port on the Aegean coast. The ruins are well preserved. You can see the library of Celsus and a massive amphitheater (Gladiator combats took place there).



Ephesus was a center for trade, culture, and early Christianity. This was home to the Temple of Artemis, which is considered one of the seven wonders of the ancient world. Interesting that this city had one of the most advanced aqueduct systems in the ancient world.

Ephesus had several major bath houses (complexes), which were built at different times when the city was under Roman rule. We sure learned a great deal about the Roman ruins.

Walking a lot made us all tired, so we headed back to the hotel and had an early night. We were leaving the next day. On the way back the next day on the plane, all we could talk about was our adventures in Turkey. What a fabulous trip. It could not have gone any better. We all got home and rested the whole week. We were very tired after this trip. The friends had a lot to talk about, and they spent days organizing all the pictures they took.



I am very sure I would not hear about starting a new adventure for a long time... hmmm!!!

SHEEP ADVENTURE #16

FRIENDSHIP

We were sitting on the couch one evening, and the phone rang. It was my long-time friend, MRS A SHEEP. I was happy to talk with her, and after exchanging regular small talk, she asked me for a favor. We were friends for the longest times and it was normal for us to ask for favors from each other, she told me she had to go to the hospital for a minor procedure and she needed to stay there for about a week, she was wondering if I could help her husband take care of their two small kids? I was worried for her procedure but she assured me that it was a minor



procedure and there were no reasons to be worried. I answered without hesitation that we all would definitely help with the kids.

She was happy to hear that and she informed me that she had to go to the hospital the next day. She wanted me to go with her and help her get settled which I gladly accepted. After hanging up with her I told the story to MISS SHEEP and MR WOMBAT, they too were excited to have the kids stay with us for a week, but they also were worried for MRS A SHEEP.

In the morning I went to the *Sheep Hospital* and found my friend. Her husband was also with her. I helped her settle in her room and everything was going smoothly. The two kids were there also clinging to their mom and her husband was trying to explain to them that mommy would not be home for few days and they will be spending some time with Sheep and Wombsie, they actually got excited.

I decided to take the kids home with me and I told MR D SHEEP(Daddy) to just let the kids stay with us for the night and then he can pick them up

tomorrow evening after work – this way he would have more time to spend with his wife. He accepted, and before the kids, BABY B SHEEP, BABY C SHEEP, and I went home, we stopped by their house to pick up some of their favorite toys, blankets, and pillows so they could be more comfortable at our house. Everyone was so excited to see them; it did not take long for them to feel right at home.

I cooked dinner, and I should say they all loved it; all the plates got cleaned up in no time. After dinner, everyone was tired, and they were ready to go to bed. MISS SHEEP helped them put on their pajamas, and she read them a bedtime story.

{So nice of MISS SHEEP.}



They all had a good night's sleep, and the next morning, after breakfast, we decided to go to the park near our house. The kids loved the park, and we spent hours there, going up and down the slide and trying the swing. They had lots of fun.



Finally made it back home, and after lunch, we put the babies down for a nap. The fresh air in the park helped them sleep very comfortably. In the afternoon, before Daddy came to pick them up, we went out for a walk around the neighborhood.



The kids were very curious and were looking in every direction and pointing things out. After our walk, we came home, and not much longer after that, Daddy was there to pick them up. The kids were excited to see their dad.

MR D SHEEP let us know that his wife was doing very well and hopefully she would return home by the end of the week. {Yoo hoo!} We all said our goodbyes, and Daddy would drop the kids off at our place in the morning.



We had the same schedule every day. The kids came in the morning, and they would go home in the evening. Every single day, they insisted on going back to the park and getting pushed on the swings.



Sometimes though, we stayed home and played. I am so glad the kids were not fussy, and they were very easy-going; they listened to whatever I told them. The parents had done a wonderful job with them.

Before we knew it, the end of the week had come, and it was time for Mama to come home from the hospital.

MISS SHEEP and MR WOMBAT stopped by the pharmacy to pick up MRS A SHEEP's medication before going to the hospital.

The pharmacist made sure to tell MISS SHEEP all about the use and side effects of the medication and made sure this was passed on to MRS. A SHEEP, he also provided some written information in case they forgot something. {This is what a good pharmacist does.}



We went to the hospital and were so happy to see Mama sheep looking perky and ready to get back to her normal routine. Of course, the kids were very happy also.



MRS A SHEEP was discharged from the hospital, and we took her to their car. We said goodbye, and we said we would talk later. Everyone just wanted to go home and relax.

That evening when all of us were sitting on the couch I talked with MISS SHEEP and MR WOMBAT about close friendships. All of us agreed that it was very nice to have such relationships with someone,

that if they asked for something they were sure that they could rely on you and you would do it for them without asking even one question. These friendships are unconditional. I told them: "I really hope all your friendships are from the bottom of your hearts and there are no strings attached."



SHEEP ADVENTURE #17

HITTING THE SLOPES

MISS SHEEP and MR WOMBAT were having fun staying home in their familiar environment. I was spending more time with them too; this does not happen that often. They were watching television one night, and they found out that the winter Olympics were coming soon. They started thinking, and new ideas were forming in their heads. Sheep goes to Wombat: "We should learn some of these sports!" Wombs was a bit surprised, but you know, they both are ready to learn new things.

That night, they pulled their ice skates out of the closet, and they informed me they were going to sign up for skating classes. I was a little worried about them hurting themselves, but at least they are fluffy enough, and they have enough cushioning if they fall on the ice!

They found this great teacher, and they were going to class almost every day. Their goal was to be able to be comfortable on the ice.



They progressed pretty quickly, and they even watched movies about ice skating. The Olympic trials were very exciting for them. They appreciated all the hours of practice the skaters had put in to get to this point. They were encouraged, and MISS SHEEP eventually was able to jump. Wow, she is doing well!





MR WOMBAT mastered jumping also. {Look at that! I cannot believe these guys have no fear. You would not believe what they learned in the next few months: are you kidding me? Who has ever seen a sheep on the shoulder of a wombat and flipping too, all while ice skating?}

MR WOMBAT has developed lots of muscles. They did not get tired and kept practicing. They show talent in whatever they put their minds to. They were so excited and diligent.

After some time, they felt it was time to take a break from ice skating and take a trip somewhere with snow because now they wanted to practice their skiing. I never thought Sheep and Wombat enjoyed skiing!

First, they enjoyed the snow by trying luge.

{Now that is a fun sport. Someone must have shown them how to do it!}



The next few days they got on the slopes and started skiing.

{I never imagined MISS SHEEP could ski this well!}



{Really!?! She can do somersaults? Unbelievable...} It's good that they watch out for each other, when Wombs saw that Sheep was doing somersaults without a helmet, he really got upset. He was even yelling at Sheep. {I had never seen Wombs yelling; he is normally very calm. I can see his point though, and I completely agree with what he was saying.} He lectured Sheep about the importance of wearing a helmet. Eventually, when he had calmed down a bit, MISS SHEEP apologized for what she had done and promised she would never forget from now on. Wombat admitted: "I was not mad at you, and I am sorry that I yelled, but you are my dear friend

and I do not want to see you get hurt.” They hugged and saw what they did: They sat down and had some hot chocolate. It really hit the spot.



They were tired of skiing, so they started goofing around, throwing snowballs at each other. It was getting dark, they left



to go back to where they were staying, but they told each other that they should come back tomorrow and try something new.

Guess what they wanted to try?





Snowboarding!
These guys want to try everything? That was so much fun, and as usual, they picked it up very fast. MISS SHEEP had actually perfected her jumping skill, and I love it that Wombie was

cheering her on. She made sure she had her helmet on this time.

It had started snowing, and it was getting harder to see where you were going. Yes, they lost control, and both of them fell. It was good that the snow



cushioned their fall and nobody got hurt. They started laughing.

After snowboarding, they thought that they deserved to get Olympic medals for all the work they had put in. So they had a ceremony and gave each other medals.



{You need to know though, that the medals were made out of chocolate –delicious! I guess it is the thought that counts.}

The next day, I was missing them, so I called and asked them to come home. I think they were tired too. They accepted and returned that very same day.

Time to rest up for the next adventure.

SHEEP ADVENTURE #18

PICNIC ADVENTURE

MISS SHEEP and MR WOMBAT had enough of the snow and the cold weather. They had frozen their little limbs off. This next adventure had to be something simple and involving nice weather. One day, they woke up and asked me if they could go on a picnic in the park. They said they had never been to a picnic, and they would like to just relax in the park. I thought that was a great idea. I made them a picnic basket with sandwiches and fruits, and of course, some sweets and something to drink. The park was a bit far from our place, so they decided to take the subway. {Surprisingly, they knew which line to take and where to get on and off.} So there they went with their big picnic basket onto the subway.

{Why is MR WOMBAT wearing a tie to the picnic?}



Both of them really liked the subway; it was a chance for them to sit down and talk and people-watch. At the next stop, an older sheep lady (Grandma Sheep) got on, and there was no place for her to sit. MR WOMBAT, being such a gentleman, got up and offered his place to her.



He even pointed out on the map where she needed to get off. That was very nice of him, and Grandma Sheep was so very thankful. {These two friends go out of their way to be kind to others and to each other.}

Finally, they got to their stop, and they got off carrying that big picnic basket. They were so excited to try something new, and they were getting very hungry. They got to the park and found a nice spot. In no time, they spread their blanket and started eating their sandwiches. They were starving. Those sandwiches tasted so good, and they really hit the spot.

“Wow, how much food did mom pack for us!”



They went through those sandwiches very fast and had the fruit for dessert. They were thirsty now and finished the drinks they had in the picnic basket. Lunch was over, and you can guess what happens when you have a full belly and the weather is nice? They were becoming sleepy.



It was time for a nice nap. Notice wombsies tie came off; they look so comfy. They were dreaming too.



After a short nap, they had to move around. They started throwing around a ball they had brought along.

Running around made them tired, so they sat down and talked about how much fun they were having. They had brought their cameras, and they took some pictures so they could put it in their adventure book.



As they were exploring around with their cameras, they saw a hammock hanging on a tree. It did not belong to anyone; it was just in the park for anyone to use. They tried it out and guess what: they fell asleep again on the hammock.



This nap was not for long either. They woke up and saw somebody selling cotton candy in the park. These guys have good eyes. They spot sweet things in a flash.



Of course, they bought some cotton candy and ate it while strolling in the park.

I cannot believe how cute these guys look together. They have the best time. I really hope everybody can find friends who feel comfortable so they can experience memorable days in each other's company.

The friends made it home and just parked themselves on the couch. The fresh weather was good for them, and they felt relaxed. They did not want any dinner since they had plenty to eat the whole day. They went straight to bed.

Now guess what is coming up?

SHEEP ADVENTURE #19

VALENTINE'S DAY

Valentine's Day had arrived. The two friends were anxiously waiting for it. In the morning, when MISS SHEEP was not looking MR WOMBAT sneaked out of the house. I wonder where he went? MISS SHEEP decided to pamper herself. She sure enjoyed paying attention to herself.



She took a nice, long, hot shower and then went to the nail salon to get her nails done. {I think this was a sheep nail place.} She also treated herself to a new dress with hearts all over it. She looked gorgeous. She sat on the couch and waited for Wombs to show up. He was gone the whole day.

Finally, Wombs walked in wearing a new suit; he looked handsome. He was carrying a heart-shaped box of chocolate. Sheep was so excited to see him, and she thought that it was so wonderful to receive a Valentine from her dear friend.



{She probably needs to hide that box of chocolate; if she sees that candy in front of her every day, all that she has done to lose weight will certainly go to waste!}

They sat on the couch and talked and basically reviewed their friendship, and they both said how much they appreciated each other. MISS SHEEP had bought a cake {I guess they could splurge a little bit!}



The cake tasted so good. Who bought all those balloons?

Suddenly the doorbell rang, and a delivery person stood at the door holding a dozen of red roses. {What a surprise!} “We have red roses for MISS SHEEP.” She was speechless. She absolutely loved them.



They put on some music, and they started to dance. They are both very light on their feet. {Who thought about the music playlist?}



They enjoyed the music and danced the night away. Finally, they were tired, so they hugged and decided to end this beautiful night. The whole evening was magical for both of them.





They went to bed wearing their cute pajamas with hearts on them; even the pillow cases had hearts. They had thought of everything to make this a special Valentine's Day.

The friends fell asleep, and I am pretty sure they dreamt about their wonderful time together.

Cozy bed, Cozy friends. Ahhhhh...

SHEEP ADVENTURE #20

AMALFI COAST

MISS SHEEP and MR WOMBAT had heard a lot about Italy, and they both were thinking long and hard about going there. The issue was though, that they had spent a lot of their hugs and kisses on their Valentine's Day celebration, and they needed to replenish their savings.

{I had told you previously that in their world, they do not use monetary transactions, but they only work with hugs and kisses. Therefore, they stayed home for a little bit to get their finances in order. The thing is that you cannot buy hugs or kisses, but you need to earn them. One way to earn is to do good deeds for your friends and also yourself. One good task is worth lots of hugs and kisses.}





The friends' kindness took them a long way, and in no time, they had the funds they needed.

They used some of what they had earned and bought the plane tickets, and the rest they were going to use on their trip. {I wish we all could go on trips just using this kind of money.}

They left on their trip and did not include me. The Amalfi coast is a beautiful place, and I am sure they would enjoy it. In no time, I started receiving some pictures. Wow, it is beautiful. {They are dressed so nicely.}





They were getting hungry, so they stopped for a bite. In Italy though, you could never just have a bite; you have to sit down, take your time, and have a great meal. They never rush. Now that is making me hungry!

After lunch, they walked around and met some Italians, and they became friends very quickly.

They spent some time together, and they learned about all the cities around



them. Look, they even got Gelatos... {Hee hee! Where is mine?}



In the next few days, they did a lot of things, and of course, MISS SHEEP had to learn how to make pasta. There we go; guess what they will have every night when they return? {Wow, making pasta is sure messy! They have flour all over them!}



“Well enough of this, let’s go shopping,” said Sheep.
{I like how sheep is dressed.}
They were a bit tired after walking so much on cobblestones, so they sat down and had a drink.



The next day, they went to Lake Como. It was breathtaking. They met their Italian friends over there, which was a surprise. I think the hotel behind them is the Bellagio. I would not be



surprised if the friends tell me they want to live on the Amalfi Coast! One thing though, I do not think they can afford living there with what they have; they need to save a lot more hugs and kisses.





Even though there were a lot of cobblestones to walk over, it did not bother them. Everywhere was filled with beautiful and colorful flowers. It was so magical. Every

day, they found a new place to visit. All this beauty was endless, and no matter what they did, they were not able to see everything. This was actually their last day in Italy, but they told themselves that they had to come back. Before they left, there was one more thing they had to do: You got it, MR WOMBAT had to ride in a Lamborghini.

{I hope he does not try to buy it. MISS SHEEP, do not spill that coffee! I think they are eyeing a house to buy!}



These friends have built another unforgettable memory and they will have interesting conversations about the trip while relaxing on their couch at home.





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