## In the Asian Jungle

Beautiful butterflies flap their blue, pink, purple, yellow wings, with lots of spots on them. There are moms and dad butterflies, all are flying away from a wasp's nest. There is more to explore, Come On!

Buzzing bees. Blooming flowers. Green, brown, and red stripes on the white petals. There is more to explore, Come On!

Rainbow parrots singing a song. The most beautiful song I've ever heard. The parrots are mostly light pink and light green. There is more to explore, Come On!

The eagle soars through the air. I hear his wings swooshing way up there. Its wings are orange, pink and yellow. Only a single adult eagle is up there hunting for big fat snakes. There is more to explore, Come On!

I see a monkey swinging quietly through the trees. Up and down she swings. She is brown and black with purple hands. She is chasing a swinging banana up in that tree. In another tree her nest is full of tiny thumb sized babies. There is more to explore, Come on!

I hear a slithering snake hiding in the bushes from the eagle. It is a big fat python. He's a perfect lunch for the eagle. I can hear the snake, but I can't see it. All I can see is its tongue sticking out of the bush. There is more to explore, Come On!

I am doing a science project. My project for School. I am exploring the Asian Jungle, finding out all the colors and sounds. I am traveling up the river on a boat that I made with my Grandpa. He is so nice! I am paddling my boat really hard to move past all the animals down in the muddy water. There is more to explore, Come On!

I hear chomping crocodiles eating little fishes. That makes me worried. I am worried because I see a river dolphin right beside the crocodiles. The dolphin does not notice the toothy crocs because he is jumping up and down the river dancing showing off to me his excited dance. The croc swims fast now towards the dolphin. Oh no. The dolphin hurries and goes deep under the water to hide. There is more to explore, Come On!

I paddle past a big log. The log moves. It's not a log, it's a Manatee! The manatee is shaped like a potato. A blue, grey and white potato. The manatee is munching on some river plants. The manatee ignores that mean crocodile. It does not even know or care that the croc is there. There is more to explore, Come On!

Squiggly turtles walk slowly on the bank. Their green shells have a purple hexagon shapes all over. They are really good at finding the snake. They walk through the grass and help the eagle find the snake. The eagle flies way way up into the sky once he spies the snake, and swoops down and grabs the snake with his talons. Thank you turtles. There is more to explore, Come On!

There are so many trees. They bend side to side in the breeze. The swaying trees really bug the buzzing bees. The trees are 55 feet high. Vines drop down and surround them. Many vines. The vines are covered sometimes with lots of little monkeys climbing up into the tree tops. The birds perch in the branches and hide behind leaves. The leaves sometimes look like birds nests and sometimes the little birds fly in and are caught. Sneaky trees. There is more to explore, Come On!

There are not that many bushes on the river bank. Another snake is scared slinking between trees with so few bushes. There is more to explore, Come On!

As I paddle up the river, I see a huge, huge ruin. The ruins are hiding behind the trees. The ruins are dust covered stone blocks that look like gold. I stop and stare at the pile of ruins. I wonder if anyone a long time ago lived in those ruins. I wonder what these ruins are actually called. So I grab out my notebook and start writing "If people lived in ruins......" Then I keep paddling up the river. There is more to explore, Come On!

While I keep paddling, I feel some water splash into my boat. I look out to the side and I see elephants. The elephants are laughing at their trick. I am all wet. I pull over to the shore. I hop out and go closer, but not too close, to the elephant. I look at their big sharp tusks. An elephant turns and looks at me sternly. I run back to my boat and paddle away super fast. There is More to explore, Come On!

Next I see tigers. I thought their stripes were brown and orange, but they are actually black and orange and white. I grab my notebook and write that down. They look really cute, but not harmless. They are are really dangerous. The tigers start running away. Up come the elephants, blowing water on the tigers. The elephants laugh at their joke. There is more to explore, Come On!

Up in a tree I spy a leopard hiding from the tigers. He hides because he is really scared of big tigers. It has more than 105 spots. His ears pop up when he hears a rhinoceros tramping through the brush. His horn is huuuuggggeee. The rhinoceros is grey and white. His skin looks like a really old and bumpy suite of armor. It opens his mouth really wide to try to scare off the elephants. It does not work. The elephants spray the rhino. The rhino gets angry. He runs fast at the elephants and stabs his horn into the elephant's leg. All the elephants run away like a blender running in an earthquake. So loud! There is more to explore, Come On!

Around the bend I see two odd trees. In one tree I see a black sun bear with long curvy claws. His long tongue is pink. He hunts for honey. He is also spying on a big orange Orangutan in the other odd tree. The orangutan is getting tan in the sun. He is shaking his belly as he suns. It's like a funny dance in a tree. The sun bear laughs. Then the sun bear starts to get silly and shake his belly too. Then I laugh as hard as I ever have before. There is more to explore, Come On!

Finally I see the river bank take a corner. I start to paddle even faster. Once I get there I get out of my boat and grab my backpack. I blink once or twice. I shout: "I don't believe it!" A crashed airplane. I run up to it on the jungle floor. I open the door. I see no one inside. And then I wonder, where they all went. So I take a big deep breathe and go back to my boat. I start paddling down the river back to the village to let everyone know there is a crashed airplane. No more to explore.

## The End