

The Empty Campsite

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I picked up the small gold key in the middle of the forest. I had no food or water, my clothes were wet, muddy and full of holes and grass stains.

Wait...let's start from the beginning.

It was a bright summer day and I just moved to New York with my parents and baby sister. My name is Zoe and I am in grade 5. My Dad got a new job so we had to move. Changes, changes, changes, so many changes and I hate it! I miss my friends Abi, Jade and Rose. I know I'll see them again soon, but it's so hard to start making new friends in a new city. When we finally got to our new home it was smaller than I expected. My room was pretty big though but I have to share the bedroom with my little sister. No fair! I have to attend a new school and share a room with my little sister. So far this move sucks!

Summer break had started and my Mom could tell I was still a bit down. She said that we should plan a camping trip with Dad. Now, you might wonder where my little sister will go. Well, she will stay with Grandma Adora while we go camping. We packed our stuff and off we went. We are spending 2 weeks at Camp Riverwood.

There are so many things to do at Camp Riverwood. There's archery, canoeing, swimming, art classes and nature hikes. When my Mom and Dad setup our camp, we made a fire and had smore's for dessert. I had two, my Mom and three and my Dad had four. We were having a great time laughing, giggling and telling stories. Soon it was time for bed. My Dad helped me with my sleeping bag and I said goodnight to my Mom and Dad. Soon I was fast asleep and I had this crazy dream that a man was talking to me and he said, "follow the fourth star and turn left, you will find a box, open it and take out the golden key. You will know what to do with the key." When I woke up it was morning, I got out of my tent to tell my Mom and Dad about my

dream, but they weren't in their tent. I went to the camp office but nobody was there. In fact, the whole campsite was empty. I found a note on the ground and it said the same thing that the man in my dream told me. I looked up to the sky and I saw four stars and that's when I knew that my dream was real. I gathered up some food and water and off I went. I've been travelling for days and had to cross a lake filled with leeches, tame a lion and almost got eaten by a giant spider. I saw a large tree and since I was so tired, I curled up beside the tree and fell asleep. When I woke up, I was inside the tree and I wondered how did I get in here? I saw a box and a note on the box that said, "Inside this box is a key to your answers." My mind flashed to the empty campsite and I remember seeing a door with a large keyhole. I knew what I had to do. I opened the box and took out the key.

On my way back to the campsite I had to run from trolls, evil fairies, ghosts, zombies and more giant spiders. When I got back to the campsite I opened the door with the golden key and everyone from the campsite came out. My Mom hugged me and said, "how....why?" I said, Mom, "I had this crazy dream..."

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