

The Flutterbys



Hide and Seek

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MEET THE FLUTTERBYS

The Flutterbys are four friendly Butterflies who live in Flutterby Meadow. They love to explore, play and help their meadow friends. Bringing kindness, curiosity and a sprinkle of fluttery fun to every day.

Bold Red Ruby is full of energy and always ready to take the lead.

Sweet Pink Rosie is full of big ideas and endless excitement.

Thoughtful Bue Benny loves to figure things out.

Playful Orange Ollie, a mischief-maker, keeps everyone laughing with his playful ways.

Together the Flutterbys make the meadow a brighter, happier place, one flutter at a time.





The sun beamed down on Flutterby meadow, warming the flowers and making the little stream sparkle.

The Flutterbys flitted through the air, giggling as they played tag.



Suddenly, Rosie did a twirl and called out. "Let's play hide-and-seek!"

"Ooooh, yes!" Ollie cheered, flipping upside down in excitement.

Ruby crossed her wings and grinned. "Who's the seeker?"

Benny puffed up proudly. "I'll go first."

He landed on a tall rock and closed his eyes.

"One...two...three"



The other Flutterbys flew off in different directions,
giggling as they searched for the perfect hiding spots.

Ruby found a bright red flower that matched her wings. She
tucked herself between the petals, peeking out just a little.

Rosie spotted a big leafy bush near the trees. "Perfect!" she
whispered, slipping behind a leaf. She tried to stay still but
couldn't stop wiggling.



Ollie zoomed toward the little wooden bridge over the stream.

"I'll hide under here." He clung underneath, hanging upside down like a tiny bat.

Benny's counting got louder.

"Nine...ten! Ready or not, here I come!"



Benny fluttered up high to get a good view of the meadow.

He saw the rippling stream, the swaying trees, and the bright flowers. But where were the Flutterbys?

As he searched, a leaf wiggled near the bushes.

"Aha!" Benny flew over and peeked behind it.

Rosie gasped and burst into giggles. "I tried to stay still," she said between laughs. "But I just couldn't help it."

"One down, two to go!" Benny grinned



Benny and Rosie searched together.

They flew past the flower patch when suddenly a tiny
sneeze came from a red flower.

Ruby's antennae popped out of the petals as she sniffled.

"Found you!" Benny and Rosie cheered.

Ruby giggled. "The flower tickled my nose." She wiggled her
antennae.

"Where's Ollie?"



The three Flutterbys fluttered up high.

A fluffy white cloud drifted lazily across the sky.

"Hello Cloud" Rosie called. "Have you seen our friend Ollie?"

The cloud fluffed up proudly. "Hmm...I saw something orange earlier, but it was just a leaf floating in the wind."

The Flutterbys sighed. "Thanks anyway, Cloud."



They swooped back down to the flower patch where a group of busy bees buzzed from bloom to bloom.

"Excuse me, Bees," Benny said. "Have you seen an orange butterfly hiding anywhere?"

One bee paused mid-flight. "An orange butterfly? Nope! Just lots of yummy nectar."

Another bee chimed in. "Oh, wait! I did see something orange, but it was just a marigold flower swaying in the breeze."

The Flutterbys thanked the bees and kept searching.



Near the pond they spotted a little frog sitting on a lily pad.

"Hello Frog," Ruby said. "Have you seen our friend Ollie?"

The frog blinked. "Ollie? Nope. But I did hear a funny noise
under the bridge."

The Flutterbys gasped. "The bridge!"



They hurried over to the bridge and peeked under it carefully. Suddenly a loud "BOO!" echoed from below.

Ollie flipped out from underneath, twirling wildly through the air. The other Flutterbys shrieked and then burst into laughter.

"That was amazing!" Ruby gasped.

"You scared by wings off!" Rosie giggled.

Benny shook his head, smiling. "Best hiding spot ever."



They played again and again, taking turns who got to be the seeker. The sun dipped lower, painting the sky with pinks and oranges.

Finally, they flitted to a soft flower and rested their wings.

"That was the best game ever," Ollie yawned, stretching.

"What should we play tomorrow?" Rosie asked.

"Maybe we can race the wind." Benny suggested excitedly.

Ruby smiled. "Whatever we do, it will be fun as long as we do it together."

And with that the four Flutterbys snuggled into the flower, their wings fluttering softly as they drifted off to sleep.

THE END

FUN FACTS about the game of Hide and Seek

- 🧒 The game of hide and seek has been played by children all over the world for thousands of years—even in ancient Greece!
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- 👣 In some countries, it's called "1, 2, 3, home!", "sardines", or "peekaboo" (for the littlest players).
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- 🕵️♀️ ⌚ Some animals play their own version of hide and seek—cats, foxes, and even crows love hiding games.
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- 🕒 The best hiding spots are quiet, shadowy, and a little bit silly—behind flowers, inside logs, or under leafy hats!
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- 🌸 In nature, creatures hide not just for fun—but to stay safe, rest, or surprise a snack!

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