THE FLOWER QUEST

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Once upon a time, there was a girl named Myla. She lived in a cabin in the forest. One day, she went looking for flowers for her mom. Myla was walking when she heard something. She looked behind the bush, but couldn't see anything. When she turned around, she saw a bunny and it spoke to her, “Hi, my name is Penelope. Would you like to see my home?” “Sure,” says Myla.

Penelope takes her to a clearing where they see houses made of mushrooms and trees. Myla thinks this is a beautiful village. Soon, a squirrel comes to meet Myla, he is the mayor. He says hello, and asks Myla if there is anything they can do for her. Myla tells them she is looking for a special flower for her mom. They tell her about a tie-dyed flower that is found on the top of Mount Hool. Penelope and TJ, the weasel, volunteer to go with Myla on her quest to find the flower.

They have to swing over logs, swim across a lake, and climb cliffs to reach the top of Mount Hool. After hiking all morning, they have finally reached the flower. There are so many of them. Myla went to get a flower, when all of a sudden, a big, purple, ogre jumped in front of her. He said, “You cannot pass!” The group asks him if there is a way for them to get the flower. The ogre says, “You must give me something to eat!” Myla remembers she has some chocolate in her pocket. She gave the chocolate to the ogre. The ogre eats the chocolate and says, “This is delicious, you may pass.”

Myla digs up the flower and puts it in a basket they brought with them. They say goodbye to the ogre, and head home. When they get back, Myla thanks them and promises to come back another day. Myla goes home and gives her mother the flower. She is happy she found something special for her mom and that she made new friends.