## Flight of the Gold Crown

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"Mom, did the package arrive yet?" asked Richard as his mom came home from the post office. "Yes it did" replied Richard's Mom. Richard dashed to the door and found a large long package. Inside the package there was a stick of bamboo. "Wow!" exclaimed Richard. The bamboo felt amazing! It was hard, smooth and light. He felt like it was a huge good luck charm. He immediately put it in a glass case he had in his room because he did not want to damage it.

The next morning, Richard had two bowls of cereal with milk because he claims to his friends that they feel great the second they touch his taste buds. When he finished he grabbed his bamboo stick and headed for the woods to collect berries.

He was suddenly greeted by twelve bunnies that seemed to like him. The bunnies followed Richard has he went through the forest collecting little red berries for his mom. When Richard decided he had got enough berries he fed each bunny a berry, then headed for home.

When Richard reached his house he told his mother what had happened in the forest. His mother was so stunned that she couldn't say anything. In fact you could probably hear crickets if their house had a bug problem.

Richard's mom had made some delicious jam with the berries Richard had collected, but for dinner they had pepperoni pizza, which smelt so good that when Richard smelt it he immediately went to the sink to wash his hands, but when he felt the cold water touch his skin he flicked the tap to make it warm again. As Richard ate his dinner he and his mom talked about if tomorrow Richard could collect some more of those sweet berries and Richard said yes. When Richard finished his dinner he went straight to bed and fell asleep before his head hit the pillow.

The next morning Richard did as his mom told him to, but first he made himself some toast and spread some of the jam his mom made onto it. When he finished, he put on his light blue sweater and headed outside.

Again, the bunnies approached him and did some sort of dance this time. During the time that the bunnies were doing the nay nay or something like that, Richard was just standing there, staring at them blankly. When they finally finished their strange dance two of them even said "taa daa!" Richard clapped a few times then started to collect the berries. On his way to where the berries were, he tripped over a log that was all moldy and mossy. Even though Richard tripped, he just got up and kept going.

When Richard finished collecting, he fed each bunny a berry again. All of a sudden a snow owl came with a gold crown and placed it on Richards head. The only thing Richard could say was "thank you" but by then the owl was gone.

When he got home he told his mom what had happened, then he put the crown in the glass case, along with the stick of bamboo.

To Richard's mom Richard is Richard still, but to the animals, he will be remembered as "The King of Yummy Berries".

## The End