The Robin

In a remote part of Scandinavia, a little robin was preparing to set off on his long journey home. He hopped out of the old, dilapidated shack and spread his wings. As his heart pounded in excitement, he flew into the cold air. After a few hours, he was soaring high above a forest full of dense tress that were covered in a layer of mist. It was bitterly cold but that didn't stop him from continuing on his long flight home.

A few miles further south, the forests gave way to vast, beautiful lakes and immense snow-capped mountains. Driven by determination that he was getting closer, he glided effortlessly above the water.

After several days of flying, the weary robing encountered terrible weather conditions. Despite the torrential rain, he had to stop and rest. As he clung to a branch, he hugged his aching wings around his soaking wet body. He had no choice but to look for shelter. Relieved, he spotted a nearby burrow and flew in gratefully. However, he instantly sensed he was not alone. As he heard a loud squeal and the sound of scratching claws, he swiftly made his exit.

Whilst he decided what to do, he was being surveyed from above by a ravenous hawk. As quick as a flash, the bird of prey swooped towards the unsuspecting robin. Without a second to spare, the agile little bird ducked out of the way of the hawk's sharp talons and flew off. He knew he had to continue on his journey.

Only the North Sea separated him from home. However, he was about to face the most dangerous conditions yet. He took a deep breath and flew right into the heart of the storm. As perilous lightning zig zagged across the night sky, furious thunder clapped above him. He bravely beat his little wings with all his might. Although he flew as high as he could, he was no match for the immense waves. Crash! Instantly, he was swept away by a powerful spray of water.

Luckily, he landed on board a nearby fishing boat, which was being plunged in and out of the tempestuous sea. He could barely breathe. Through the driving rain, a kind-hearted fisherman peered closely at the strange sight. Without a second thought, he reached out and gently cradled the fragile creature who was shivering with cold. Tenderly, he wrapped the robin in a blanket and vigilantly kept watch over him. The resilient little bird gradually regained his strength.