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THE LION KING



Level 4

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Simba

The young son of Mufasa



Nala

Simba's friend



Mufasa

The king of the Pride Lands



Scar

Mufasa's brother



Timon

A meerkat in the jungle



Pumbaa

A warthog and Timon's best friend

Before You Read

Introduction

Simba looks down on the Pride Lands with his father. “One day you are going to be king of all this,” Mufasa tells him. But Simba’s uncle, Scar, and his hyena friends have a different plan. Can Simba follow the great kings of the past? Who will be the Lion King?

Activities

1 Read the sentences and say True or False. You can use the Glossary on pages 22–23.

- 1 Lions eat plants.
- 2 Hyenas eat meat.
- 3 Lions live in cold places.
- 4 Meerkats are smaller than lions.

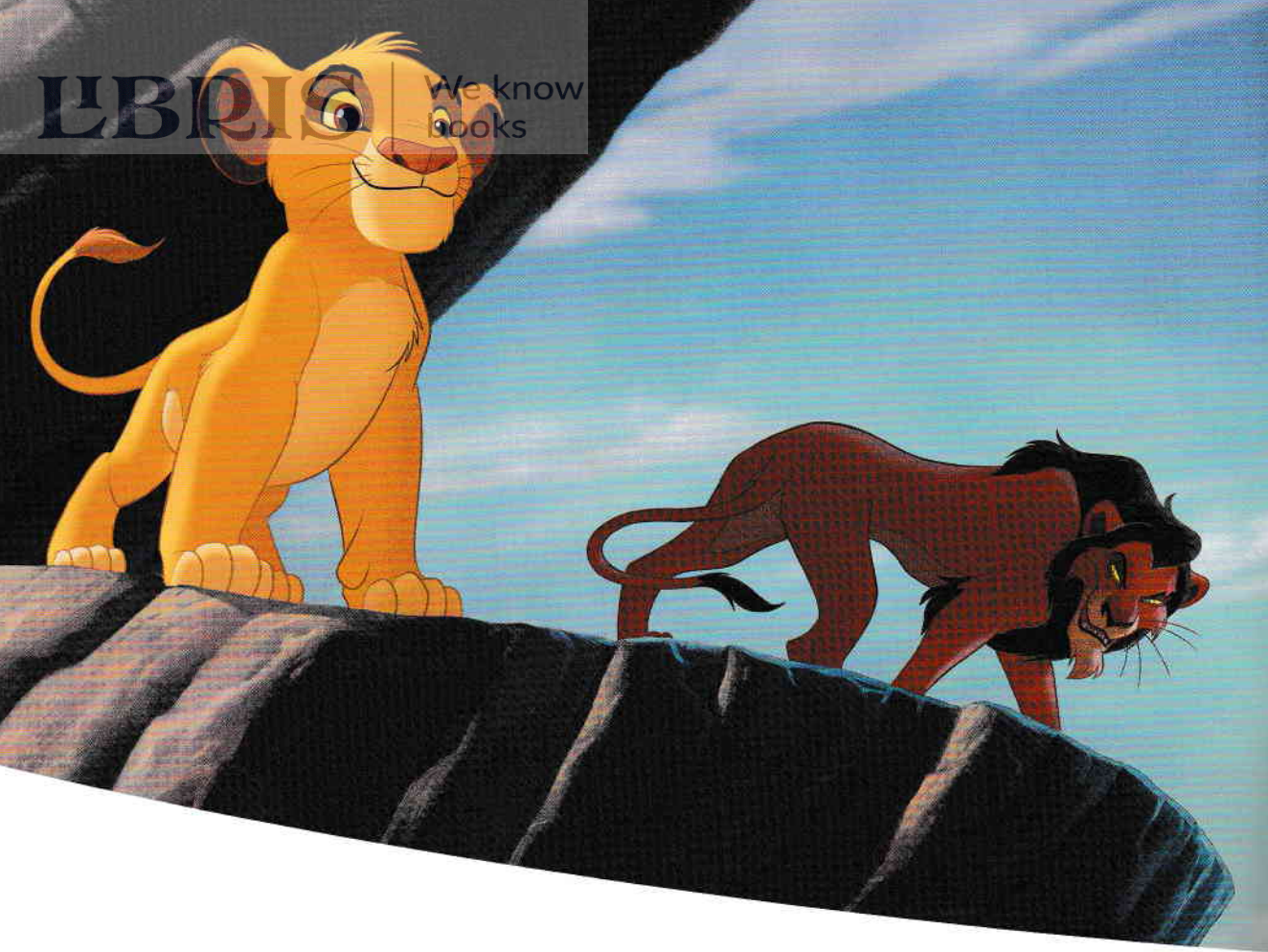
2 Look at page 1 of the story and answer. What are they?

- 1 Grandfather and grandchild
- 2 Father and son
- 3 Two friends



Mufasa was king of the Pride Lands. He was also Simba's father. Simba liked to sit on the high rock with his father. The two lions looked down on all the lands below them.

"One day you're going to be the king of all this," Mufasa told his son. Then, Mufasa told Simba about the great circle of life.



But Mufasa's brother Scar wanted to be king. He told Simba about a place outside the Pride Lands. There were elephant bones there.

"But it's a secret. Please don't go there," said Scar. "It's very dangerous for young lions."

Simba was excited. He wanted to know more about the dangerous place. Scar smiled. Secretly, he wanted Simba to go there.

Simba told his best friend Nala about the secret place.

“We’re going to the water,” they told their mothers.

That was not true—they went all the way to the secret place.

“Look at all the elephant bones!” said Nala.

The two young lions were excited and afraid. Then they heard a terrible noise ...

