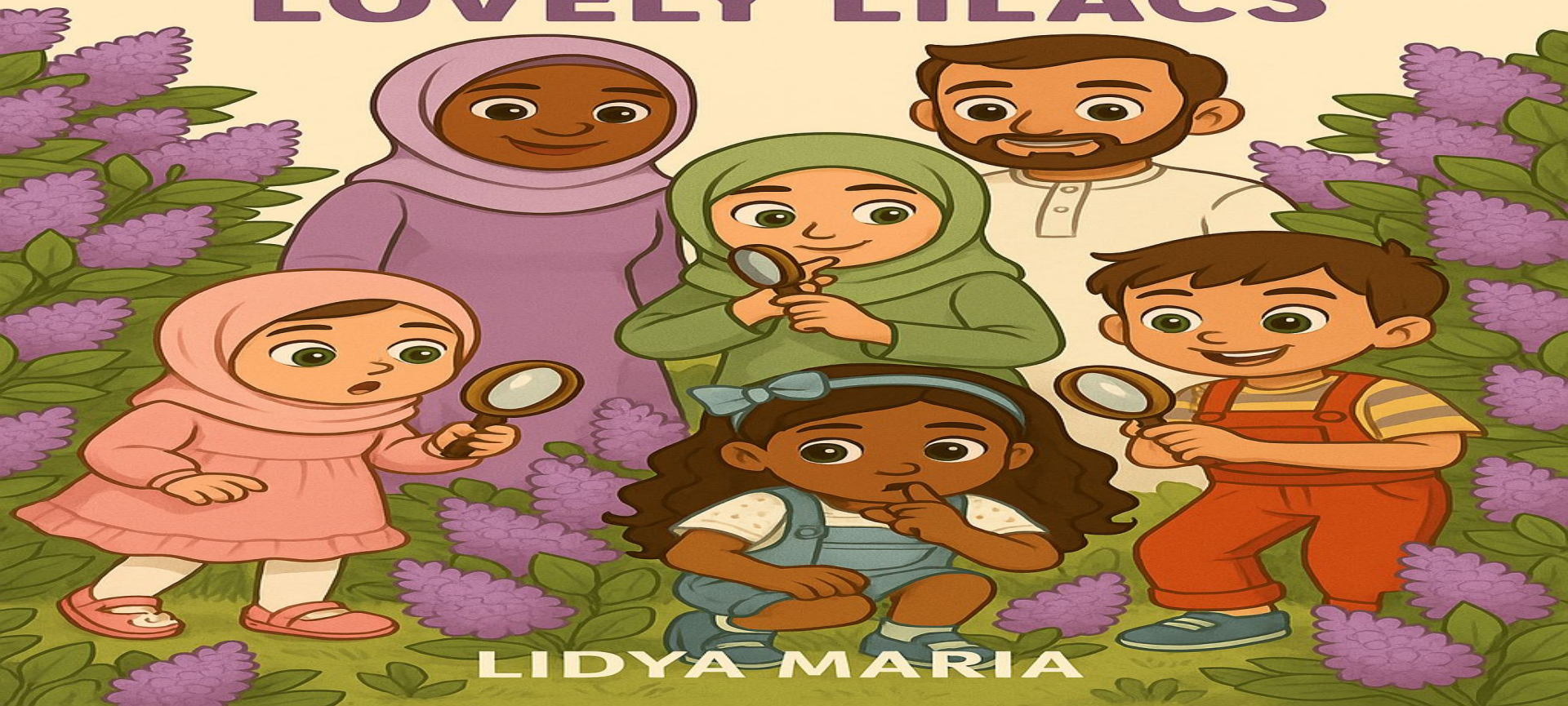


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SOUND SLEUTHS LOVELY LILACS



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A lilac Adventure

The Sound Sleuths were in the garden behind their house.

Mom, Kaysi, waved from the porch.

“Dad and I planted lovely lilacs last spring,” she said.

“Wow!” said Samantha, age twelve.

“They smell like lemon lollipops!” said Mirna, age nine.

“Let’s look for lively letters!” shouted Dax, age six.

Bella, age four, twirled in the flowers and giggled.



First clue: Listen for the Ls

Dad, Nolan, held out a little card.

“Today’s mission: Find five things that start with the same sound as lilac!”

The kids ran into the field.

“Leaf!” yelled Dax.

“Ladybug!” said Mirna.

“Log!” said Samantha.

Bella whispered, “Lamp, wait! oh! Ladder!”



They found their first clue under a lilac bush: a paper with a big L.

Activity:

Circle the L words:

log, cat, leaf, jump, ladder, lilac

Second clue: Buzzing B

A bumblebee zipped past.

“Buzzing B, that’s our next sound!” said Samantha.

“Find three B things in the lilacs!” said Dad.

“Bee!” yelled Bella.

“Branch!” said Mirna.

“Basket!” said Dax, pointing to a hidden basket.

Inside the basket was a clue card:

“B is for?”

Activity:

Draw a B thing you could find in a garden.

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Third clue: Playful P

A soft card fluttered out of the basket.

“Pick purple P words!” it said.

“Petal!” said Samantha.

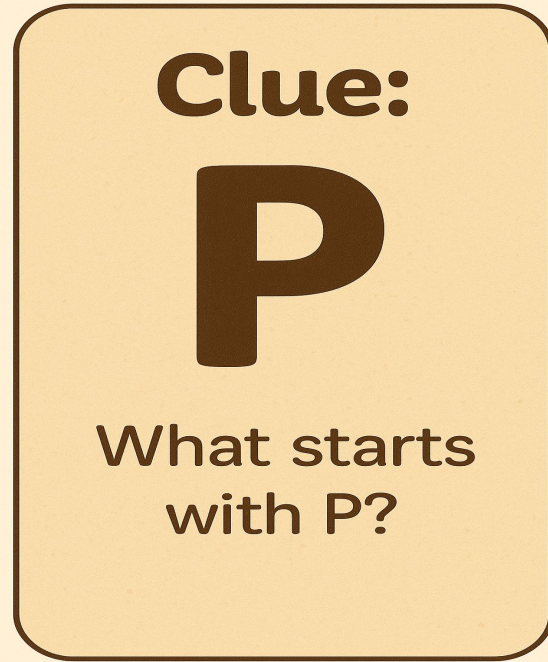
“Pinecone!” said Mirna.

“Puddle!” laughed Dax, splashing his boot.

Bella found the next clue taped to a plant pot.

Activity:

Trace the P on the clue card and say three more P words.



A Silly Surprise

Suddenly, the wind whooshed and a card flew past Bella.

It said: “Follow the flowers to your next sound!”

The kids tiptoed down the row of lilacs until they reached...

a scarecrow!

“S!” said Samantha.

“Sun!” said Dax.

“Shadow!” said Mirna.



Final Clue: Lovely Lilacs

The kids followed the last trail of petals to the center of the field.

There was a shiny box with a big star sticker.

Inside was a note:

“You’ve found all the alliteration!

Your reward: Lovely lilac lemonade with Mom and Dad.”



Celebration

The kids carried the basket back to the porch.

Mom poured lilac lemonade into little cups.

Dad smiled.

“You solved the Lovely Lilacs Sound Sleuths!”



Activity page

Write a short sentence using the same starting letter.

Example: Silly snakes slide silently