

**RABBIT**

Let's just get ourselves out of here before the real Backson finds us!

**(#19 – OUT OF THE TRAP.** *EVERYONE climbs out of the trap, helping each other.*)

**ORANGE**

Just then, the animals heard footsteps coming through the Wood.

**RABBIT**

Backson!

*(EVERYONE scrambles to hide.)*

**RED**

But it wasn't the Backson, after all.

**YELLOW**

It was their friend, Christopher Robin.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

*(entering)*

Hello? Anybody there? Where is everyone?

*(The ANIMALS come out from hiding and sit or kneel so CHRISTOPHER ROBIN is the tallest.)*

There you are!

**POOH**

Christopher Robin!

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Hello there, Pooh.

*(CHRISTOPHER ROBIN greets the ANIMALS in turn.)*

**RABBIT**

However did you escape from the Backson?

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

What's a Backson?

**KANGA**

He wakes up children.

**PIGLET**

He puts out the lights.

**TIGGER**

He rips your pants! If you wear pants. Tiggers don't.

**OWL**

It is without a doubt, the most wretched creature one could ever encounter.

**POOH**

We thought he'd kidnapped you.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Why would you think that?

**OWL**

Because of this!

*(OWL hands the note to CHRISTOPHER ROBIN.)*

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Oh. All I meant to say is that I was busy, and that I would be back soon.

**RABBIT**

Oh.

**ROO**

*(disappointed)*

So there really isn't a monster?

**POOH**

And we were scared for nothing?

**EEYORE**

It figures.

**RABBIT**

Don't blame me! It was Owl who told us about the Backsons!

*(All look at OWL.)*

**OWL**

Aherm. Perhaps I could have reviewed the document a bit more carefully. As my niece Letitia would say – "Sor-ry."

**POOH**

I guess even Owls can make mistakes. But at least we've got Christopher Robin back again.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

But not for long, I'm afraid.

**RABBIT**

Afraid?

**EEYORE**

I knew it was too good to be true.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

It's going to be autumn soon, and I'll be going to school. So that means I won't have as much time to play with you as I used to.

**ROO**

Forever?

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Not forever, Roo. I'll still have nights and weekends. And when next summer comes around, we'll spend every day together.

**POOH**

But next summer's a long way away. Lots of breakfasts, and lunchtimes, and afternoon snacks away.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

But school hasn't started yet, Pooh. And that's why I came out here today. So we could have one last summer picnic.

**EVERYBODY**

Yay! A picnic!

*(The NARRATORS enter and form a rainbow.)*

**RED**

Christopher Robin and the animals set out a picnic.

**ORANGE**

They were all really excited.

**YELLOW**

Because it was a really cool picnic.

**GREEN**

It was even better than the one I had for my birthday.

**BLUE**

Everyone brought something to share.

**INDIGO**

Including lemonade and cookies and raspberry tarts!

**POOH**

Excuse me?

**VIOLET**

Yes, Pooh?

**POOH**

Haven't you forgotten something?

**VIOLET**

I don't think so, Pooh.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

I'm sorry, Pooh. My mother was all out of honey.

**POOH**

Oh, bother.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Maybe someone else has some honey.

**POOH**

I've asked all my friends.

*(The BEES buzz by.)*

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Have you asked them?

**POOH**

The bees? I never thought they'd be willing to share.

**CHRISTOPHER ROBIN**

Maybe they would if you invited them to our picnic.

**POOH**

Hey, bees?