



# The Jungle Book

by Rudyard Kipling

Rudyard Kipling's stories follow Mowgli, a boy raised by wolves in the Indian jungle, alongside memorable animal characters like Baloo the bear and the fearsome tiger Shere Khan.

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## Power Words

#	WORD	DEFINITION
1	<b>cunning</b>	adj. having skill in achieving goals by trickery.   "Mowgli was cunning enough to use the Red Flower against the tiger before the Pack could intervene."
1	<b>disciplined</b>	adj. showing control over one's behavior and actions.   "The wolf pack remained disciplined under Akela's leadership, following the Law even when the hunt went badly."
1	<b>ferocious</b>	adj. fierce and violent.   "The dholes were ferocious fighters, but they had never faced a pack that hunted alongside a man-cub."
1	<b>gravely</b>	adv. in a serious or solemn manner.   "Bagheera spoke gravely of the Red Flower, warning Mowgli that fire was a tool no jungle beast could master."
1	<b>imperiously</b>	adv. in a way that shows authority or power.   "Shere Khan spoke imperiously at the Council Rock, expecting every wolf to bow before his striped authority."
1	<b>instinctive</b>	adj. relating to or prompted by instinct; automatic or unthinking behavior.   "Mowgli's instinctive crouch at the sound of a twig snapping was something no man had ever taught him."
1	<b>mesmerize</b>	v. to hold someone's attention completely.   "Kaa could mesmerize his prey with slow, hypnotic coils, drawing the unwary closer with every deliberate movement."
1	<b>obedient</b>	adj. doing what you are told to do.   "Mowgli was obedient to the Law of the Jungle in ways that no man-cub had ever been before."
1	<b>predatory</b>	adj. relating to animals that hunt other animals for food.   "There was a predatory grace in the way Shere Khan limped forward, lame paw notwithstanding, toward the Council fire."
1	<b>reverently</b>	adv. in a way that shows deep respect.   "The younger wolves listened reverently as Baloo recited the Master Words of the jungle creatures one by one."
1	<b>sovereign</b>	n. a supreme ruler or monarch.   "Shere Khan moved through the undergrowth as sovereign and unchallenged as any creature the jungle had ever known."
1	<b>stealthily</b>	adj. done or acting in a secretive or covert way; sneaky; furtive   "Bagheera moved stealthily through the tall grass, his black coat invisible against the shadows of the night hunt."
1	<b>territorial</b>	adj. relating to a specific area or region.   "The wolves grew territorial when strange packs approached the den, and Akela's howl silenced every challenger."
1	<b>unrelenting</b>	adj. not yielding or giving up. it continues without stopping.   "The jungle was unrelenting in its demands, testing every creature daily with heat, hunger, and hidden danger."
1	<b>venomous</b>	adj. capable of injecting venom to harm others.   "Kaa's venomous reputation kept even the bravest animals at a respectful distance in the Cold Lairs."