

Nori - Family Story Set



Patience and noticing little changes

2 stories | 2 coloring pages | 2 seek-and-find activities. Ages 4-8: read together; ages 9-12: create alternative endings.

Nori and the Seed That Did Not Grow Today



One morning Nori planted a seed with the family. Nori made a small hollow, placed the seed inside and covered it. With an adult's help, Nori added the right amount of water, then sat beside the pot. 'When will I see the flower?'

Nori and the Seed That Did Not Grow Today



That afternoon Nori looked again. Nothing seemed different. ‘Maybe it did not hear me,’ Nori said, greeting the seed. The soil stayed quiet. Dad explained that some changes begin where we cannot see them, and different seeds take different amounts of time. Nori felt disappointed.

Nori and the Seed That Did Not Grow Today



Mum brought a notebook. 'Let us draw what we see today.' Nori drew the pot, flat soil and sunlight. They chose a short observation at the same time each day. They would not dig up the seed or keep poking the soil. It needed space to grow.

Nori and the Seed That Did Not Grow Today



While waiting, Nori made paper flowers with the family, read a book and listened to sounds on the balcony. When the pot needed care, an adult helped. Waiting did not mean watching the pot all day. Nori's days could hold lovely things while the seed grew.

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A few days later a tiny green line appeared above the soil. Nori called the family. They compared the first drawing with the pot. There was no big flower yet, but there was a real change. Nori drew the new shoot. A small discovery brought big delight.

Nori and the Seed That Did Not Grow Today



Nori placed the notebook beside the pot. 'Days can look the same, but little things sometimes change.' Nori did not know how the seedling would grow next. That made room for curiosity. Could you use drawings, marks or little notes to notice a slow change?

Nori and the Kite Waiting for Wind



Nori had made a kite with the family, decorating it with yellow and purple shapes. With an adult, Nori visited a safe open meadow away from roads, trees and power lines. Nori held the string, expecting a sky dance. But the air was very still.

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The kite lifted a little, then settled on the grass. Nori tried again with the same result. 'Does it not like me?' Dad explained that a kite needs suitable wind. 'Today's air does not tell us how well you tried.' Nori rested the kite nearby.

Nori and the Kite Waiting for Wind



Mum took a blanket from the bag. 'We can wait a little, or come back another time.' Nori chose to wait, but wanted something to do. Looking up, Nori saw a turtle-shaped cloud. Dad saw a little boat in the very same cloud.

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They took turns naming cloud shapes. One cloud looked like a rabbit to one person and a cushion to another. Nobody's answer was wrong. They listened to the grass and watched distant birds. Nori noticed that a good family game was already happening.

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After a while the blanket's corner moved. The adults checked that the breeze was suitable. Nori asked for help launching the kite. This time the bright shapes floated above the grass. With an adult's support, Nori held the string. Their waiting became a little dance.

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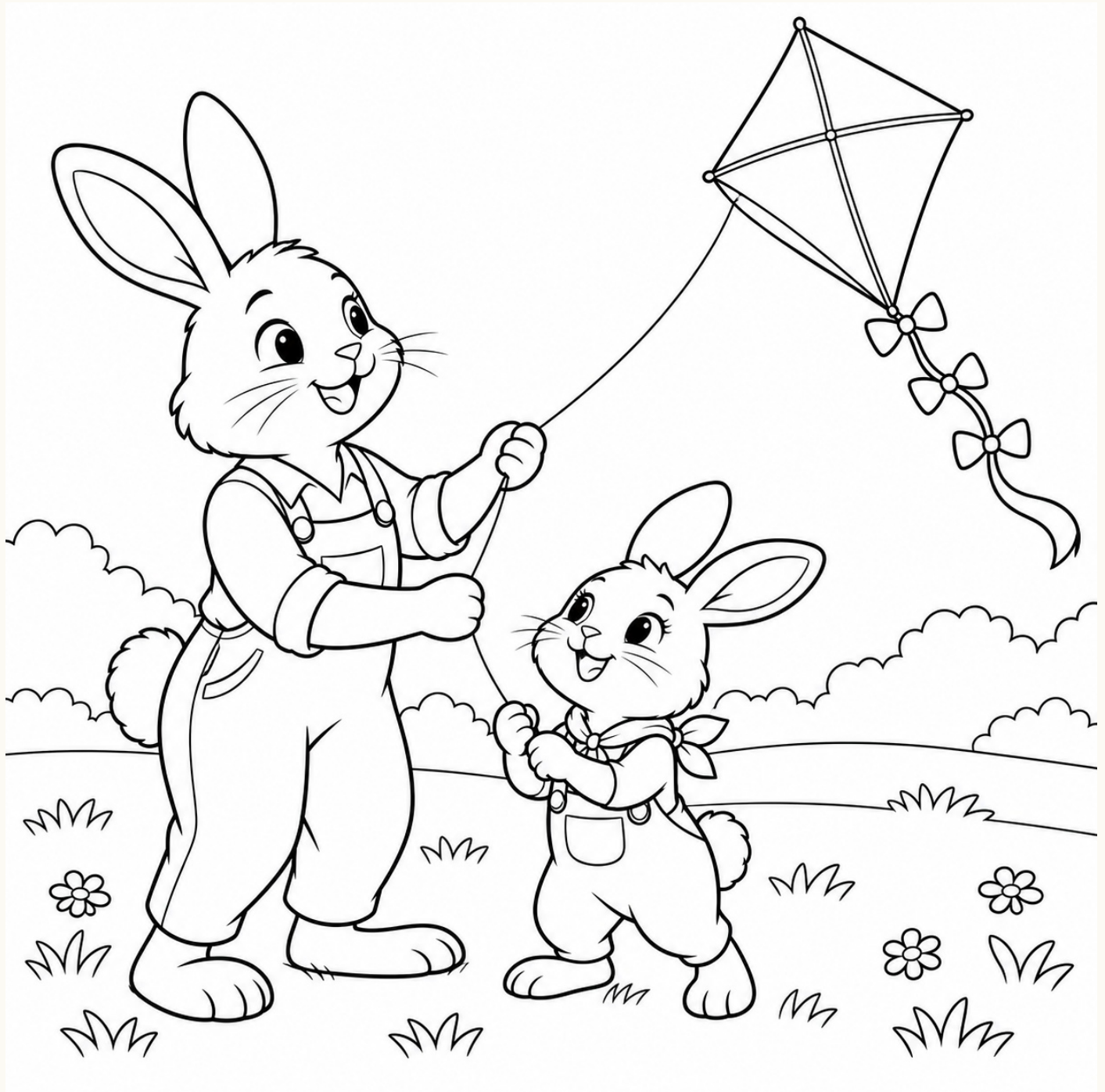
On the way home Nori said, 'Our kite waited, but we did not spend all our time doing nothing.' The cloud game had become a favorite part of the day. Without wind they could have returned another time. What gentle waiting game would you suggest?

Nori - Coloring 1



Choose your own colors. When you finish, tell your family what is happening in your picture.

Nori - Coloring 2



Choose your own colors. When you finish, tell your family what is happening in your picture.

Seek and Find in the Balcony Garden



Find: Star, Key, Spoon, Striped sock, Fish shape, Cup

Surprises in the Kite Meadow



Find: Star, Key, Spoon, Striped sock, Fish shape, Cup

Keep Exploring Together

Nori has white fur, lilac overalls and an orange scarf. Nori is learning to notice little changes and discovers with the family that there can be lovely things to do while waiting.

Divide a sheet into today, tomorrow and later. Draw something you want to do together. Choose one small step you can take now, and another activity to enjoy while the rest takes time.

How could you keep a record to notice something that changes slowly?

What gentle game could make waiting more enjoyable for you?

Suggested use: one story, one activity and a short conversation each time. Follow the child's interest; finishing is optional. These activities are not developmental tests or diagnostic tools.