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Woodchuck was doing the grunting and puffing. Johnny’s hole was right there, half-way down the creek bank.

“What’s the matter, Johnny?” Bunny Rabbit called.

The grunting and puffing stopped for just a moment. Johnny came backing out of his hole, to look up at Bunny Rabbit. But instead of answering Bunny Rabbit’s question, Johnny only went back into his hole and started grunting and puffing again.

“Can I help you?” Bunny Rabbit asked, hopping a little closer.

Once more the grunting and puffing stopped, while Johnny backed out of his den. This time he sat back and looked at Bunny Rabbit and said crossly, “It’s the old creek. The water came so high last week that it ran right into my doorway and washed my living room full of mud. Now I can dig the whole place out again. It was a good den, and there’s nothing more provoking than to have it ruined this way. I worked hard making it just right.”

Bunny Rabbit sighed. “That is a pity,” he said. And because he couldn’t think of anything else to say, he sat back on his haunches and watched. He was sorry poor Johnny’s home was ruined.

Building a home like Johnny Woodchuck’s is hard work. The creek bank is hard-packed sand, full of roots, and Johnny has only his feet to dig with.

He started to dig at the sand by his doorway, now.
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Forest Folk Tales is a world of animal people where Bunny Rabbit learns from Johnny Woodchuck that every person has a different lot in life and is always given the knowledge of how to cope with it. The busy bees understand about the lazy drones. When Robin Redbreast loses a precious young one he continues his cheerful singing as all the forest people listen in amazement: Mrs. Chipmunk from her doorway, Reddy the Squirrel from his perch, and Polly Wog from under a leaf at the edge of the pool. The Whitefoot Family and the Chicadees, Crickee the Violinist and the Foolish Little Folk with Wings all come in for their share of activity.

Boys and girls, ages 5 to 10, will be delighted with these wonderful stories of the forest and animal world. Reynold H. Weidenraar has added twelve artful pen sketches to illustrate the stories in an amusing and imaginative way.

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