We Are Water

Children's Activity Book
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Fun Fact: Did you know Hmong Folklore tend to have lesson in their stories? It teaches us how to be better people. Some stories tell of dragons (zaj) who have the power to shape shift.
Did you know our elders had to fill water in buckets and carry it all the way home? How do we get water today? Draw out how you get water today!
Help Niam Tais get to her fields through the jungle maze. Be careful of the tiger!

Fun Fact:
Did you know Hmong Museum is the first and currently only museum dedicated to the preservation and education of Hmong culture, history, experiences, and arts?
Find the words below:

DEJ       MEKONG       KWV TXHIAJ
NUV NTSES PHALEN       UA TEB
ZAJ       INDIGO       DYES
Let's write our own folktale story. Finish the story by using the word bank!

Long long ago in Laos, there was a boy who was very
1)_________. He lived in hut made of 2)_________
with his mom and dad. One day, he went
3)_________ and saw a 4)_________.

1
zoo nraug (handsome)
txaj muag (shy)
muaj ceem (lively)
zoo (nice)
los zev (fun)
nrov nrov (loud)

2
bamboo
candy
sticks
glittery Slime
rocks
legos

3
fishing
farming
to feed chickens
to sketch in the dirt
hunting

4
tsov (tiger)
zaj (dragon)
kub qaib (golden chicken)
unicorn
fairy
Finish the story by using the word bank!

It was so 5) __________, so the boy decided to take it home as a pet. When he came home with it, his parents were very 6) __________. They told him to 7) __________ the pet. He was 8) __________.

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<td>ntxim hlub (cute)</td>
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<td>ci ntsa iab (shiny)</td>
<td>scared</td>
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<td>excited</td>
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<td>kho siab (lonely)</td>
<td>angry</td>
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<td>los av (dirty)</td>
<td>jealous</td>
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<td>saib zoo (watch carefully)</td>
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Tell us how you want the story to end!
Draw and write it!
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