





Henry Explores the Mountains

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Henry's outing in the woods with his dog Angus involves him in a dangerous forest fire, heroism, and a helicopter ride.

On the night of the big frost, Henry and Laird Angus McAngus looked at Henry's posters of mountains.

"Angus," said Henry, "we had better explore the mountains before winter sets in."

Angus thumped his tail excitedly.

"Tomorrow will be the day," said Henry.



The next morning before breakfast, Henry made ready his explorer's kit. He filled it extra full of flags. Then he asked his father for some long rope. "Why do you need rope?" asked his father. "We're heading into the wild and untracked mountains," said Henry. "You always need rope when climbing in the mountains—for safety." "And why are you taking so many flags?" asked his father. "I expect to make a new trail," replied Henry. "Angus and I will be trailblazers."

While he ate breakfast, Henry told his mother and father all about exploring mountains.

"In which direction do the untracked mountains lie?" asked Henry's mother.

"North," said Henry. "The trip will be long and hard."

"Well, please be very careful," said his mother, as she packed an extra big lunch.

"Explorers are always careful," said Henry, "because they never know what to expect."

"I expect you to be home before dark," said Henry's father.

"Of course," said Henry.

