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# MORGAN



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At first glance, Morgan seems to be a porcupine like any other. His sharp quills protect him from predators that roam the forested mountain where he lives. In fact, most of the other animals on the mountain avoid him, too. They're afraid to get too close to his quills.

Morgan makes up his mind: he must leave the forest and find a friend who won't be frightened of him. Nervous, but full of curiosity, Morgan decides to follow his dream and go on a journey to make friends with a human.

Soon, he finds himself nearing human civilization. When he hears the cries of a young girl in trouble, will Morgan be able to help her—and finally make a human friend?

## About the Author



Harry Holmes was born in Nashville. As a child, he loved scouting, attaining the rank of Eagle Scout in 1959, and hiking along the Cumberland Plateau in Eastern Tennessee.

In 1962, after graduating from Huguenot High School in Richmond, Virginia, Harry joined the United States Navy. After completing his tour of duty, he reentered civilian life as Forensic Specialist for the Virginia Beach Police Dept., from which he retired after forty-one years of service. He and his wife Carol live in Chesapeake, Virginia.

Harry is an avid birdwatcher, photographer, and cook, as well as a member of Writers World and Hampton Roads Writers. This is his first book, and he plans to write many more children's stories and mysteries in the future!

## About the Illustrator



Maryana Kachmar was born in Lviv, Ukraine in 1983. She holds a Masters of Sacred Art from the National Academy of Arts in Lviv (Ukraine) and now participates in the artistic group, Zohrafos. Maryana has worked as editor and artist for several Christian children's magazines (including *Angelyatko* and *Flashlight*) and was chief artist and co-founder for a publishing company, Country of Angels. Over the last 10 years, she has illustrated more than 200 journals and 10 books, including numerous children's books (*ABC*, *Miracle in the Woods*, *Christmas*, and *Poems for Boys and Girls*). Fond of singing and making puppets, Maryana is the mother of two cheerful and energetic boys who inspire her daily with new pictures!

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