

The Lion King 3: The Triplet Princesses

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A story of Kovu and Kiara's 3 cubs Zumaradi, Upenzi and Baa. Enjoy!

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1 - The Triplets Are Born

It was early in the morning in the Savannah. So early that it was still dark yet all of the animals from all over the Pride Lands were making their way to Pride Rock. The kingdom of king Simba and his lioness, Nala. The animals made their way over to pride rock where right at the top, stood king Simba and queen Nala with the wise old baboon, Rafiki. next to them lay their daughter Kiara with her mate Kovu. Kiara was gently washing 3 newborn cubs. They were all girls. The oldest cub was Simba's colour with Nala's pelt and beautiful emerald eyes. She looked just like her grandparents, king Simba and queen Nala! Her name was Zumaradi. The next oldest cub was a golden cub with Kiara's fur colour and Kovu's pelt and mouth and sky blue eyes. Her name was Upenzi. The youngest cub was dark red like Kovu with Kovu's brown pelt and a brown stripe going down her back. Her name was Baa. Kiara and Kovu smiled at their new cubs as Kovu nuzzled his mate gently on her cheek. Rafiki smiled and picked Zumaradi up. It was getting light now and the sun started to peak from behind the clouds. In the clouds, 2 figures formed. One was an old lion that looked a lot like Simba. This was Simba's father, Mufasa, the old ruler of Pride Rok before he was pushed to his death by his evil brother Taka, or just Scar. The other figure was a young lion that looked alot like Slmba when he was a cub but he had a brown tuft of hair on his head. This was Kopa, Simba and Nala's first son that got killed by Scar's mate Zira when he was only a few months old. They stared down at the happy ceremony taking place under them. Rafiki opened up a fruit and a red powder emerged from it. He dipped his thumb into the powder and spread it across Zumaradi's head. Then he walked right to the edge of Pride Rock and lifted Zumaradi into the air for all of the animals to see. They all cheered and then bowed to the new princess. Rafiki brough her down and gave her back to Kiara. Then Rafuiki did the same for Upenzi and Baa. The new princesses, were now part of the great circle of life.

2 - Friends Of The Cubs

Six months had passed since the ceremony and Zumaradi, Upenzi and Baa were all ranning about playing in the savannah when suddenly Kovu walked out of the cave mouth.

"Now, don't go too far out of sight, stay close to Pride Rock and be back before dinner!" Kovu smiled at his 3 little princesses as they all nodded.

"Yes daddy!" They all chanted as they bounded off into the long grass. kovu stood on Pride Rock laughing a bit when Kiara walked out and rubbed her head against Kovu's neck.

"Aren't they all wonderful little princesses?" She asked her mate.

"They sure are!" Kovu smiled as he and Kiara walked back into the cave. Meanwhile, Zumaradi, Upenzi and Baa were running off into the distance pinning each other. As they lay down laughing, a male cub walked out of the tall grass and pounced on Zumaradi.

"Hey!" The cub said. His name was Jini. He was the cub of Akida and Yakuti. He was red with golden paws, muzzle, tail tip and hair tuft. Baa's heart started to beat faster than ever. Her tounge hung out of her mouth aswell when Jini came up to her and said hello. She gulped.

"Um, hi!" She smiled at Jini but he walked past her and went back to Zumaradi and sat down next to her. Baa's heart felt as if a stake had just ripped it in half. Jini liked Zumaradi playfully on her cheek as he pinned her to the floor. Baa ran off into the distance with tears in her eyes. She lay down and put her head in her paws.

"It's not fair, just because Zumaradi is the oldest, she gets all of the good things!" Baa growled angrily. Meanwhile, Zumaradi, Jini and Upenzi were playing when Upenzi's best friend Kipusa came along with her friend Embamba. Kipusa was a brown lioness cub with a cream pelt and muzzle and dark green eyes. She was the daughter of Adhama and Chanua and she had a little sister called Malaika. Embamba was cream and she had a white pelt and muzzle. She was the daughter of Tamu and Erevu.

"Hi Upenzi!" Embamba smiled as they walked up to her.

"Hi you 2, what's up?" Upenzi asked.

"I'm going to meet Nguyu now, see you guys later!" Kipusa grinned as she ran through the tall grass. Nguyu was her boyfriend. He was a cream lion cub with red paws, muzzle tail and hair tuft. He was the son of Afu. He had no father because he died when he was a baby. Some lions say that a rogue lion called Fumbo was Afu's mate but no one knows who it truley was except Afu but she wouldn't talk o her mate. Nguyu also had a brother called Haraka. He was cream with light brown toes, muzzle, tail and pelt. Embamba and Upenzi went off to play and Zumaradi and Jini lay in the grass together and Kipusa was off with Nguyu but Baa was watching everyone through the tall grass. She bared her fangs and then walked off into the dark shadows.

3 - Vitani's Twins

Zumaradi and Upenzi were walking back to Pride Rock for their dinner.

"Hey, where is Baa?" Kiara asked her daughters.

"Were not sure, we havn't seen her all day!" Zumaradi said.

"I'll go and look for her." Kovu said as he ran out of the cave door. "Vitani, can you catch dinner?" Kovu called to Vitani in the cave. Suddenyl, Vitani walked out of the cave with her twin cubs, Busu and Epesi by her feet. Busu was a female cub who was a tan colour and had a black stripe going down her back like Baa did. Epesi was a male cub. He was golden with a frizzy fringe that got in his eyes all of the time and he had black paws.

"Can you look after Busu and Epesi while I go hunting?" Vitani asked Kiara.

"Of course I can!" Kiara smiled as Vitani ran out of the cave door to hunt. Busu came up to Zumaradi and Upenzi and snarled at them. They both snarled back.

"Are you supposed to look like my uncle Kovu? Because I feel sorry if I was him and I had you for a cub!" She snorted at Upenzi.

"Leave her alone sis!" Epesi mewed at Busu and stood infront of Upenzi. Busu looked supriised and then she growled at her brother.

"Oh yeah? And who'se gonna stop me?" She snorted again. Epesi lowered his head and lopped his ears. "I though so! Even if i'm only older by 5 minutes than you, i'm still smarter!" Busu snorted again. She kissed her paw and blew it at Zumaradi, Upenzi and Epesi. "So long you weak little insects!" She snorted again as she bounded off. Upenzi started to cry.

"Hey, don't worry, that's just my sis, she is naturally mean!" Epesi laughed.

"She may be 5 minutes older than you but she is alot meaner!" Zumaradi joked as they all laughed.

4 - The Cub Fight

Meanwhile, Kovu was looking for Baa in the tall grass. Kovu pushed some grass away and saw Baa sitting by a rock snarling.

"Hey Baa! Where were you?" Kovu growled angrily at his daughter.

"It's not fair!" Baa growled. Kovu picked her up in his mouth and walked her home. He dropped her on the cave floor.

"Now you never wander pff again, do you understand me young lady?" Kovu asked.

"Yes daddy." Baa lowered her head. Kovu walked off to find Kiara. That moment, Vitani walked back through the cave mouth with a wildebeest in her fangs. She dropped it on the floor and all of the cubs surrounded it and started to tear at the meaty flesh. Jini, Nguyu, Embamba and Kipusa also came along and joined in the feast. Vitani walked off to find Kovu.

"Did you find Baa?" She asked him curiously.

"Yes, she was by a rock snarling!" Kovu said. Kiara and Vitani looked worried.

"She has never ran off before, do you think something is bothering her?" Kiara asked Kovu.

"I'm sure she's just fine!" Kovu smiled as he nuzzled Vitani gently. Back where the cubs were eating their wildebeest, Jini stuck his nose into the meaty flesh. So did Zumaradi. They were both licking the rib cage when their noses touched. They both looked surprised. Baa growled and nipped Zumaradi's ear.

"Ouch!" Zumaradi screamed as blood dripped from her ear. Upenzi growled and knocked her head into Baa's head. Baa growled and pushed Upenzi over. Epesi helped Upenzi up but Busu pushed Epesi over and he did a flip over Upenzi and landed ontop of her. Epesi blew his fringe out of his eyes and looked up at his sister as she snorted loudly. Embamba scratched Busu down her thigh and she mewed painfully. She then growled at Embamba and bit her tail sharply. She screamed and Kipusa scratched Busu's cheek. Busu then scratched Kipusa down her neck and laughed as Kipusa and Embamba crashed heads and landed on the floor. Malaika, Embamba's sister pranced in and Nguyu tripped over her causing them both to fall to the floor. Malaika started to cry which brought Kovu, Kiara, Vitani, Akida, Yukuti, Adhama, Chanua, Erevu and Tamu running to see what was going on. They all gasped when they saw their children fighting. They seperated all of the cubs from each other. The commotion sent Nala and Simba running down the cave to see what was going on.

"What happened?" Nala asked alarmed.

"We came in to find our cubs fighting!" Erevu shouted.

"What's oing on little ones?" Simba asked the snarling cubs.

"Baa bit my ear!" Zumaradi hissed.

"That's because her and Jini were kissing!" Baa growled. "And then Upenzi knocked her head into mine!"

"That's because Baa was hurting Zumaradi!" Upenzi Yowled "And then Baa pushed me!"

"That's because you hit me!" Baa mewed.

"And Busu pushed me over and I landed on top of Upenzi!" Epesi howled.

"That's because he helped Upenzi up!" Busu snarled. "And then Embamba scratched my thigh!"

"That's because she hurt Epesi and Upenzi!" Embamba hollered. "And then she bit my tail!"

"Because you scratched me!" Busu snarled again. "And then Kipusa scratched my cheek!"

"That's because she hurt Embamba and then she scratched my neck!" Kipusa meowed painfully and Busu snarled.

"Nguyu hurt me!" Malaika cried.

"I didn't mean to, I just tripped over her!" Nguyu complained. The parents started at their cubs in shock and took them away from each other.

"Maybe you will all calm down after some rest!" The parents said to their cubs whilst settling them into bed.

5 - Baa's Exile

Morning dawned upon the savannah and Upenzi and Zumaradi ran out of the cave laughing. They ran off to play with Nguyu, Jini, Embamba, Malaika, Kipusa and Epesi. Baa stood at the top of Pride Rock and scowled at her sisters and her friends happily playing. Suddenly a shadow came up behind her. It was Busu.

"Hey Baa, want revenge on them like I do?" Busu asked Baa. Baa nodded her head.

"Then join me and we can get rid of them all!" Busu laughed.

"Um, ok then!" Baa grinned as they ran down Pride Rock and peeked through the bushes at the cubs. Suddenly, Jini and Zumaradi sneakily walked off. Busu didn't notice. She was scowling at her brother playing tag with Upenzi but Baa was furious! She followed Jini and Zumaradi until they came to the edge of a waterfall. Suddenly, Jini leaned forward and licked Zumaradi's muzzle and then they hugged each other. Baa roared furiously and ran towards her sister and butted her off the cliff! Zumaradi screamed and hung on to a rock above the raging river!

"Hold on Zumaradi! I'll get help!" Jini screamed as he ran off back to Pride Rock. Baa looked down at her sister's fearful eyes.

"aa! How could you? you're my sister! Please Baa, don't do this! Help me Baa, please!" Zumaradi cried but Baa just stood there and scowled down at her sister.

"You know that I love Jini and then you ran off with him!" Baa growled at her sister.

"I didn't know Baa! Please, help me!" Zumaradi screamed with tears in her eyes but Baa just laughed.

"Now I will have Jini all to myself!" She snorted. Suddenly, Jini came running with Kovu and Kiara behind him.

"She's here!" Jini panted with fear in his eyes as he stared down at Zumaradi. Kovu quickly jumped down carefully and pulled Zumaradi up. He climbed back up and carefully placed her on the floor.

"Zumaradi! What happened?" Kiara nuzzled her daughter.

"It was Baa! She pushed me down!" Zumaradi cried with her head in her paws.

"Why did you do that Baa?" Kovu asked her.

"Because I hate her! I hate you all!" Baa screamed as she ran off.

"Baa! Come back!" Kiara cried but Baa just kept running. Kiara sobbed into Kovu's neck whilst he tried to comfort her. Simba and Nala approached with Rafiki who had seen everything and told the king and

queen.

"Maybe you should just let Baa go!" Simba tried to comfort his sobbing daughter. Kiara sniffed and they all walked back to Pride Rock. Meanwhile, Baa ran as far as she could down a huge log into a dead valley. She looked around with huge eyes.

"Welcome to The Outlands" A deep voice came from behind Baa. it was a huge black lion with red eyes.

6 - The Ancient Prophecy. But What Could It Mean?

Baa stared up at the huge lion and backed away a bit. The lion reared up and then stamped his paws on the ground.

"My name is Mandadi." The black lion said swiftly.

"Hi, my name is Baa!" Baa stuttered.

"Why are you here?" Manhadi asked.

"I tried to murder my sister because she liked the lion that I did and I ran away after that! I probably would have got excited anyway!" Baa sat up and tipped her head.

"You sound like you have taste for the outlands. Come back to my mother's lair and I'll ask her if you can join our clan." Baa's face lit up with excitement.

"You mean it?" Baa smiled.

"Yes and we can attack the Pride Landers when me and you are both adults. Mother told me so!" Manhadi snarled. Baa nodded and followed Adhama across the dry, bone infested savannah. Meanwhile, back at the Pride Lands, Kiara was crying into Kovu's chest. "Why did she do this! Why did she try to murder her sister and then run away!" Kiara weeped as Kovu comforted her.

"She would have been excited anyway Kiara, she was never a nice cub and you know it! When your cubs were born, Rafiki told of a prophecy of three princesses and one would turn evil and rule a new land and make blood and tears spill over her family" Simba explained.

"But what does it mean by ruling a new land? If Baa ran away, what could she possibly rule now and what are blood and tears got to do with Baa?" Kovu asked.

"Were not sure Kovu, but time will reveal it's secrets!" Nala soothed.

"Don't worry mum, you still have us!" Zumaradi smiled. Kiara smiled and hugged her cubs tightly.

"I know." Kiara said as she licked their heads in turn and they all stared into the stars, facing the outlands.