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Lipero Story Quest Ch. 3 - Preparations and The Pobri Villages!

That evening the entire city is in celebration because you said yes, that you would help them solve this problem. The Mayor, as happy as a mouse, said that he would help you however he could. The first thing he said he could help with is to tell you where to go.

"I am so happy and thankful that you are willing to help us. You truly are wonderful people. The first places you will need to go to are the Pobri villages. They are the masters of the southern and western parts of the forest. You will need to enlist their help if you are to make it through the forest to the home of the owls. That forest is very dense and difficult to navigate; people get lost in there all the time. Because of this, we have named that part of the forest the 'Woods of Lost Souls'."

The next thing Astroni said he would help with is the preparations for traveling. He said that he could spare 3000 Stars, but that you'll need to raise your own funds if you spend more than that. He made a list of things you'll need for your three-day trip to the Pobri villages and beyond.

<u>Task</u>: Go to the bazaar and find the items you need. There are five different shops you can go to: Dreamly's Goods, !Akunab's Outdoors, Acrid Moments, See the Sea, and Hafa. Once you have found the items, you will need to add up the costs and give the sum to Astroni so he can pay the shopkeepers. Remember, you need to buy every item on Astroni's list and that if you spend more than 3000 Stars, you will have to raise the extra funds on your own.

Astroni's List				
1. 1 Pair of Shoes				
2. 3 Shirts				
3. 2 Pants				
4. 1 Hat				
5. 3 kg of food				
6. 1 Backpack				
7. 1 2L Container				
8. 1 Notebook				
9. 4 Writing Utensils				
10. 1 Spoon				
11. 1 Good Knife				
12. 1 Box of Matches				
13. 3 Pairs of Socks				
14. 1 Sleeping Bag				
15. 1 Tent				

Dreamly's Goods	!Akunab's Outdoors		
Item Name	Stars	Item Name	Stars
Dream Boots	1000	Green Tekkies	300
Fire Sandals	200	Pink Flip Flops	150
Sulfur Hat	230	Candy Footwear	67
Blue Workpants	120	Skunk Shorts	100
Nam Backpack	35	Ultra Backpack	200
Sprayy (Water Container)	100	Machete	271
Destiny Diary	112	Journal	50
Loquacious Log	89	Blue Pen	20
Black Pen	15	Red Pen	40
Multi-color Pen	62	Spoon	20
Glass Spoon	80	/Na Tent	248
Wool Sokkies	19	Toe Socks	25
Large Pencil	24	Mechanical Pencil	17
Paintbrush + Paints	123	Super Sleeping Bag	168

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Acrid Moments		See the Sea		Hafa	
Item Name	Stars	Item Name	Stars	Item Name	Stars
Mushrooms (250g)	72	Calamari (100g)	60	Friendship Matches	39
Carrots (250g)	21	Shrimp (200g)	200	Mouse Hat	127
Apples (1 kg)	58	Salmon (100g)	88	Lipero Shirt	200
Wheat Flour (1 kg)	50	Tilapia (500g)	100	Puppy Hat	280
Onions (1 kg)	30	Eel (100g)	45	Arom Shirt	200
Rice (2 kg)	160	Mussels (50g)	75	Libly Shirt	200
Pasta (2 kg)	180	Tiger Shark (100g)	200	Okaparnis Shirt	200

Now that we are prepared, it's time to head north to the Pobri villages...

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After traveling for days, we have finally reached the Pobri village of Hea. This village is remarkable; each person is equal to every other person. They don't even have a chief. They just decide how to run their village in a large group, with each person's opinion being equally important.

They also have been showing us a lot of their culture. They are extremely good at mathematics, particularly with numbers. In fact, we have noticed that decks of playing cards are their most prized possessions. Each Pobri must go out into the forest and make his or her own set of playing cards using the bark of trees and the dyes they make using berries. Each set is unique to that person, including how they design it. It is really amazing!

Apparently, they use these cards to communicate with the forest spirits and to discover their place in society. By tradition, all children who are born are given the chance to pick a card from their mother's deck. The suit on that card is the tribe that child will go to and be raised in, regardless of whether or not it is either of their parents' tribes.

Beyond tradition, they read the cards in order to predict the future and to know where to hunt or gather. They also play with them in tournaments. In fact, in just a few weeks their famous Jestival will be held in a clearing in the forest between all the tribes. The Jestival is where many of the Pobri will dress up and dance, tell humorous stories, perform dramas, sing, and show off other artistic skills.

We have yet to enter the forest. The Hea and Dia tribes both live in the grasslands just south of the forest, near the Lipero River. There are four tribes altogether: The Hea, Dia, Clu, and Spa tribes. Two live near the forest on the grasslands and the other two live inside the forest. The only time the tribes see each other is during the Jestival, so they are forbidden from taking us to the Clu and Spa tribes. All they can do is point us in the right direction...

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After hours of struggle through the thick forest, we've made it to the Clu tribe. They have agreed to help us find the right path to the Parliament, but only if we can prove ourselves worthy of such knowledge...