



## LUNA CAME TO STAY

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There is a rabbit  
who was once so scared  
a coat of brown fur  
turned all grey haired.

Adopted by people  
who pulled her this way and that;  
she grew shy and nervous  
even afraid of their cat.

But inside shone a light  
that they couldn't see.  
They took her back to the pet shop  
to be given away for free.

Then in walked a teacher  
and what did she find?  
A rabbit so full of light  
she almost went blind.

They looked at each other  
friends at first sight  
young teacher and grey rabbit  
went home together that night.

On the way home  
they talked about names.  
When they could think of no more,  
they chatted and played games.

"The light in this rabbit,"  
to herself, the teacher did say,  
"is more bright like the moon  
than the sun in the day."

The teacher stopped the car  
and they looked eye to eye  
"How about Luna?"  
One grey ear shot up to the sky.



By the time they pulled up  
to their house on Wood Hill  
the teacher was so excited  
with the surprise she had to spill

In bounced the teacher  
and who did she see?  
Her partner, a Toy maker,  
preparing a big tea.

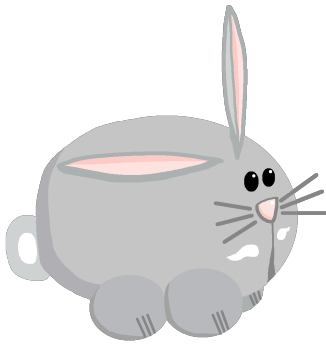
"Stop what you're doing,  
I've got news for you  
someone's coming to live with us  
someone fluffy, it's true."

Over the next four years  
not a moment was lost  
all Luna's old worries,  
once knotted, were uncrossed.

Luna learnt to listen  
with her famous raised ear.  
Luna learnt to eat everything  
even the Christmas Tree once a year.

When the teacher was sad  
Luna learnt how to care  
she nestled up to her feet  
and let her play with her hair.

Luna learnt to be patient  
when anyone made a mess.  
She knew it wasn't their fault,  
just probably stress.



The Teachers' family  
and the Toy Makers' too  
learnt to love Luna  
like your parents love you.

When the Toy Maker, frustrated  
not knowing what toy to make  
Luna would talk to the children  
and tell him which way to take.

Now Luna is curious and kind,  
once a month she goes out  
to listen to children and  
to find the ideas floating about.

Ideas for puzzles  
ideas for a game  
from each child unique,  
no two the same.

You can follow Luna's story  
once a month, here, it's true  
and perhaps, one day,  
Luna will come and listen to you.