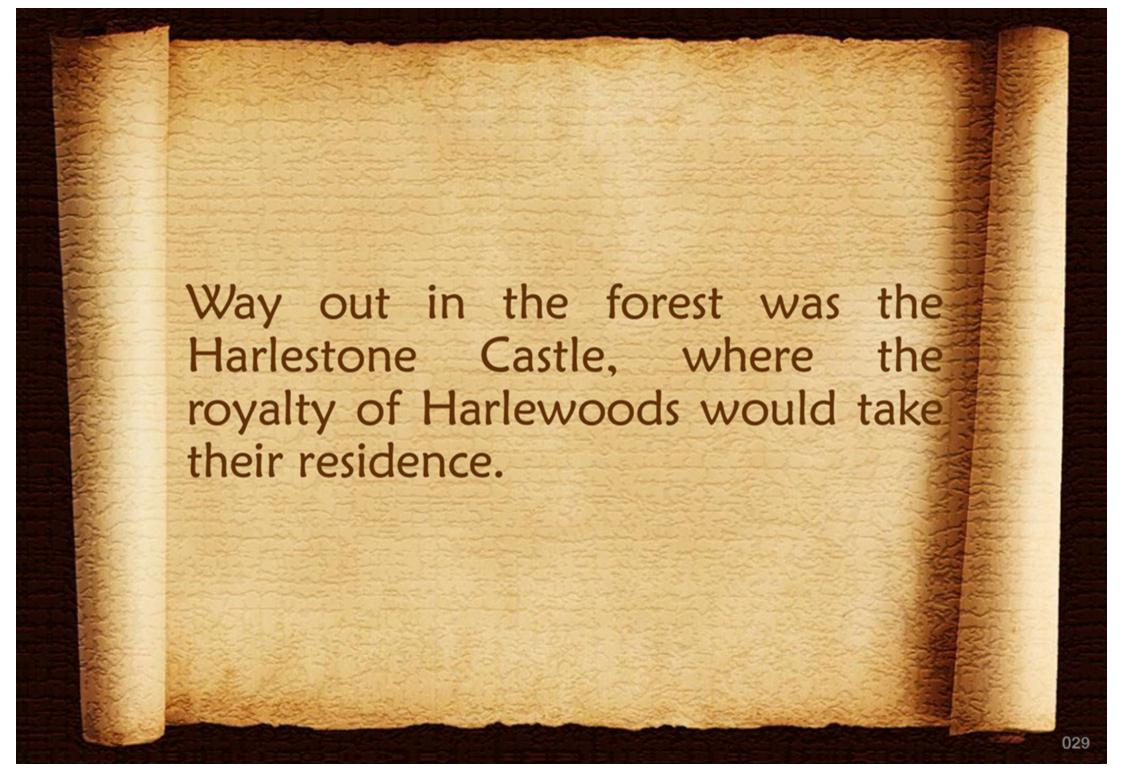
To the southwest was the province of Harlewoods, where a dense and huge forest was divided by a long road where many little villages were nearby.

All sorts of small and wild animals lived there; they were very friendly and were not afraid of the villagers.







The inhabitants of Harlewoods had different fur patterns with white, black and gray colors; while gray could have many different shades and darker speckles inside them.

The elders would say that the creativity and intelligence of God, expressed on a starry night, were printed on their skin and in their souls.

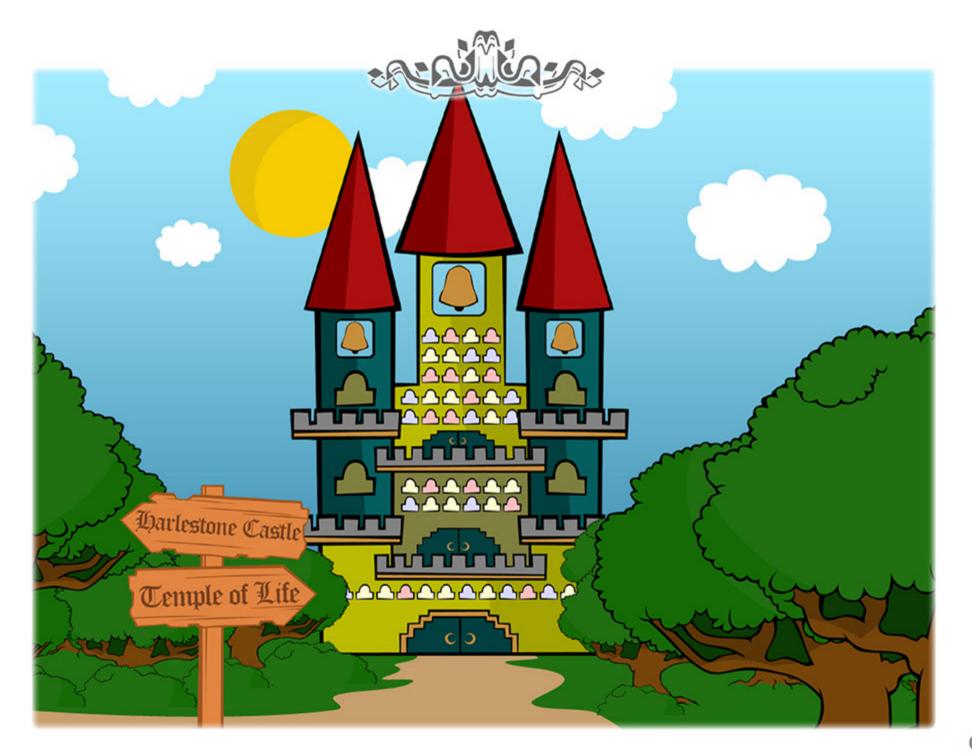


The long road in Harlewoods was called the Way of Truth and it ended in the heart of the forest, where the Temple of Life was, just beside Harlestone Castle.



The Temple of Life was the most important location in all Doggerrland. It was there where the Book of Life lies, the book written by the God of Life and in which they would find all directions to live a long and happy life!

This temple had three floors: the first floor was for children, the second floor was given to the adults and the third floor was for the elders.

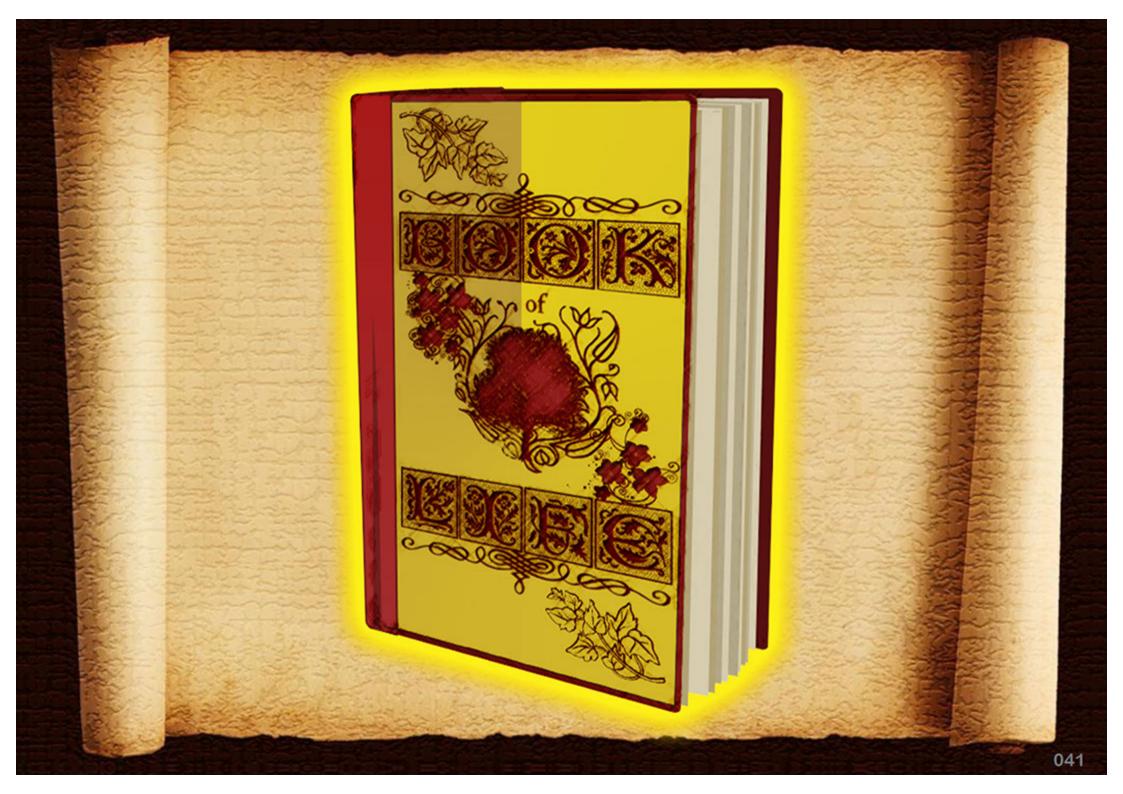


The people of Doggerrland had a friendly and grateful nature.

Whenever something good happened, the residents went to the temple to sing a song of thanksgiving in honor of the God of Life.

There was also the place where children and adults went to learn the teachings of the Book of Life, and it was a place for celebrations and important events of Doggerrland.

Whenever the people of Doggerrland were in need of advice and guidance, they went to the Temple of Life to look up words in the Book, which were taken as the words of the God of Life.



Deeper in Harlewoods Forest lived an older lady quite different from all other creatures and inhabitants who lived in Doggerrland.

Nobody knew exactly what kind of creature she was, nor where she came from. All they knew was that she had been there for a very long time, ever since they could remember, having been in Doggerrland far in the past, for many generations.

Some people would say that she was from another world and that she could travel between two different worlds, the world she came from and the world they were living in.



Her name was Mad-ellia and over the years she had won the sympathy and confidence of the royal families in Doggerrland and its inhabitants with a kind and gentle attitude, so far that she became a counselor to the king, although some considered her somewhat suspect...

Her little house looked quite friendly surrounded by the trees of the woods. In the back yard there was a small vegetable garden, a barn and an old and very tall, large oak tree.

In the front yard there were all kinds of different flowers, and also a well.



Nobody would dare to visit Mad-ellia if not invited, because although she seemed to be very friendly, it was known that some people who went to see her without an invitation never returned.

Others would say they had just got lost in the forest, since the way to find Mad-ellia's place seemed to be a huge maze.

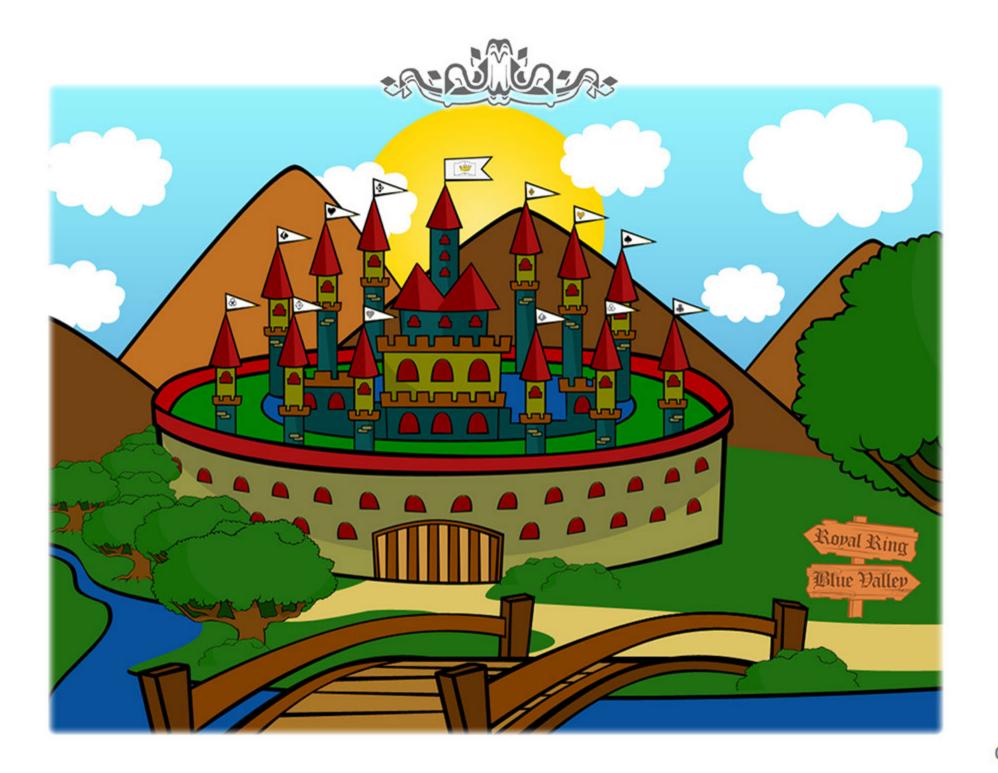
Each province of Doggerrland had its own royalty and, by tradition, at the end of each century a royal family among the three provinces was chosen to rule the kingdom for a hundred years, and so had it been along for many centuries. This passage of the throne from one royal family to another happened without disputes or wars, there was no supremacy of a province over another, it was simply tradition and as tradition it was naturally accepted, since it was so determined in the Book of Life.

At the intersection of all three provinces, at the center of the land and down near the valley was the ROYAL RING, a small territory destined for the chosen royal family to rule all the kingdom of Doggerrland.



The Royal Ring was a huge fortress with twelve smaller towers and a higher tower in the center of the complex. Each of the twelve towers had a flag with a symbol representing the colors of the inhabitants of Doggerrland, and all twelve towers formed a ring symbolizing the unity and alliance between the three provinces.

The great tower in the center had a white flag with the image of an open book, and over the book there was a crown. This flag symbolized that the God of Life ruled on Doggerrland.



The king of the province appointed to rule the kingdom had a representative role, his role was to preserve, maintain and enforce the teachings and rulings of the Book of Life, being himself an example of submission to the authority of the God of Life.

By the time our story begins, the province of Golden Seasons was ruling the kingdom. However, the period of one hundred years of its government was coming to an end.

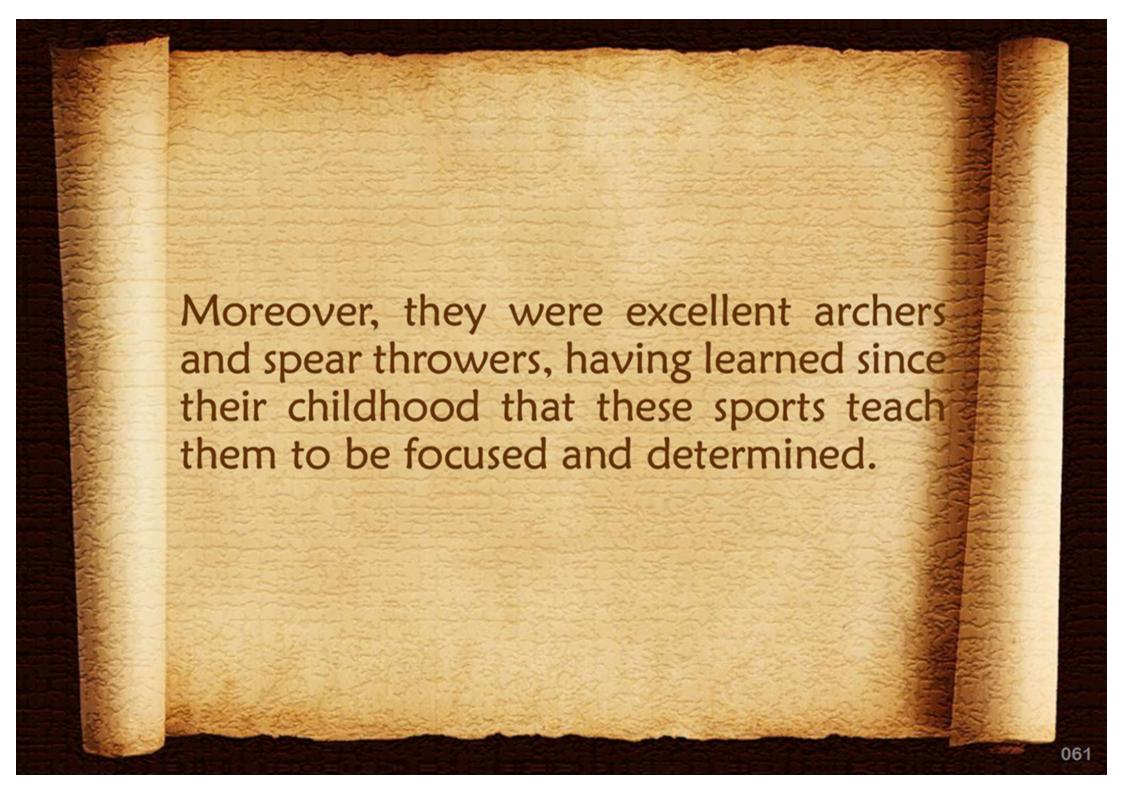
Within a few years, the province of Harlewoods would assume the role of representing the government of the God of Life in Doggerrland.

This was the most important event in the kingdom of Doggerland and the most anticipated, since all living in Doggerrland knew about the big party that would celebrate the passing of the crown.

However, many other events were held throughout the year, because the inhabitants of Doggerrland were a very happy folk and liked to party.

Although the residents of Doggerrland were peaceful, they liked to practice certain forms of struggle as a sport, especially fencing, with the intention of keeping themselves in good shape and learning to deal with their emotions and have self-control.

In the Book of Life it was said that "someone without self-control is like a city with broken walls".



Tug of war was a very popular sport among the provinces of Doggerrland, but the most important of all, which was part of the festivities of the passing of the crown, was a sort of athletics known as Agility!