## Nickee Coco and the Invisible Tree

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Nickee Coco woke up early one Tuesday morning and decided to go for a walk in the tomato field behind her house. As she was wa lking along she saw a magnificently tall invisible tree and dec ided to climb up on it. She found the foliage covered branches so comfortable that she fell fast asleep. She was still asleep when nightfall came and her mother became frantic with worry. S he ran from house to house asking everyone she saw if they had seen Nickee or knew where she was. Soon the whole town was awar e of Nickee's disappearance and they immediately started the se arch.

And so the search began Everybody was looking for Nickee Coco They looked on rooftops and in trees in the park Mr. Temboley even shouted down the well "Nickee Coco if you are down there give a yell" but he didn't hear a yell And so the search went on

Everybody was still looking for Nickee Coco They asked the stuttering organ grinder in the square Who said "No no no no I hav-hav-haven't heard a thi-thing But the second that I-I-I d-d-do I'll gi-gi-give a ring Oh-oh-oh the poor poor poor little thing"

All the while Nickee was curled up fast asleep Very peaceful in her invisible tree Eating mangos in a dream And so the search went on

All the while Nickee was curled up fast asleep No longer peaceful in her invisible tree Being chased by antelopes in a dream And so the search went on

They're wondering if they'll ever find Nickee Coco Nickee's mother asked Miss Colvendom in tears "Margaret tell me what on earth I've done To deserve losing my sweet beloved one? What could I have possibly done?"

Many weeks passed and though some people were beginning to lose hope they all kept searching and never did Nickee leave their thoughts. One day an owl happened to fly past Nickee still slee ping soundly up in the invisible tree and rushed back to tell t he townspeople. After an owl translator was called in and the o wl's wonderful message was understood the whole town joyously f ollowed the owl back to the invisible tree where little Nickee was still fast asleep. They all cheered when they saw her and N ickee finally awoke as they lifted her above their heads and ma rched victoriously back into town where they had a huge party i n honor of her return and sang this songD

We love you Nickee Coco We were so sad when we thought we had lost you Nickee Coco now we're so happy because at last we found you we found you we love you