Tarzan's Friends...

Tarzan, the white lord of the jungle, is the friend of the animals, large and small, who roam the vast green wilderness. He talks to them in their own language. He helps them in their times of need, and, in turn, they come to his aid in answer to his call.

Mangani, the ape, is Tarzan’s jungle “brother,” sharing his food and the leapy treetops.

Manu the monkey, chatters to Tarzan from the branches of the trees.

Bolcani, the gorilla, follows Tarzan in friendly companionship.

Tantor, the elephant, is one of Tarzan’s truest and most loyal friends.
There's a water hole a short distance ahead, Paul! I think we'd better camp there tonight!

I agree, Tarzan! It's been a long day!

Tarzan and his friend, Lieutenant Paul D'Arnot, follow an elephant trail through the heart of the jungle...

What is it, Tarzan? What do you smell?

Smoke! And the faint scent of white men!

It must be a small camp... probably at the water hole! Come, Paul! We shall see!

There's the camp, Paul! Only two people!

A man and a girl... alone in the jungle! What do you suppose...

Perhaps their native carriers deserted them! We must approach them carefully, Paul, and not frighten them!
The small camp beside the water hole is all that remains of a once large African expedition...

We're lost, Uncle Jim.... hopelessly lost!

Yes, Ruth. I know! But there should be a native village near! We'll get guides there!

But our supplies will last only a few days longer, and then...

Look! Two men!

White men!

Greetings! And do not be alarmed! This is Lieutenant Paul d'Arnot! My name is Tarzan!

How do you do? I am Major James Barton of New York! This is my niece, Ruth Barton! Wh-where did you....

We smelled the smoke of your camp fire! I am astonished to find you alone! What happened to the rest of your party?

Our bearers deserted us a few days ago, after we lost our equipment in crossing the Kilindini river!
Why did the bearers desert? Probably because we planned to enter a country which is taboo to them.

May I ask where you are going, Major Barton? Our expedition was organized to search for a lost city called Tohr!

I have never heard of such a place! Have you, Tarzan?

I have heard stories that a lost city existed... but they were only vague rumors!

Do you know Africa and the jungle well, Mr. Tarzan? Please, call me just Tarzan! Yes, Major, I know the jungle!

Then perhaps you can tell us where we are!

You are three weeks' travel from the nearest white settlement and four days from the closest native village!

Three weeks from a white settlement! Our supplies will barely last three days! What can we do, Mister... er... Tarzan?

No one goes hungry in the jungle, Miss Barton! You can always find meat, fruit and water!

I suggest you come with us to the native village, where you will find guides to take you to the white settlement!
WE WILL ACCEPT THAT OFFER WITH GREAT THANKS!

Indeed, we will!

Then I think it will be a good idea for us to camp here for the night and start on the trail at dawn.

So, at dawn, the small party sets forth on the trail to the native village...

We must cross one river, but I hope that we will be able to find a fording place!

Do not worry about that, Tarzan! Uncle Jim and I are good swimmers!

Several hours later they reach the banks of a broad river...

If you will remain here, I will follow the stream and try to find a good place to cross!

Look what's here! A native dugout!

This means that natives are somewhere near here! We must hurry!

Quiet! Listen! I hear movement in the underbrush!
The natives of this country are hostile! This dugout probably belongs to a small scouting party!

If anyone appears, you push the canoe into the river while I talk to them!

There they are! Launch the canoe quickly! Load your guns and supplies!

But, Tarzan... Tarzan knows best! Hurry!

Kannak! (White man!)

Tukwah! (Friend!)

Kannak Zan Bal Ookkal! (The white man steals our canoe!)

Hurry! Get away before the rest of the party comes! I'll hold these two!
OOF!

NAH NANGO! (DO NOT MOVE!)

PADDLE SWIFTLY DOWN THE RIVER! I'LL FOLLOW THE STREAM AND MEET YOU! OTHER WARRIORS ARE COMING!

SIX OF THEM! THE REST OF THE PARTY!

PERHAPS I CAN ESCAPE FROM THEM THROUGH THE TREE TOPS!

ANDAK KANNAK! (GET THE WHITE MAN!)
Meanwhile...

What will happen to Tarzan? I can't bear to leave him!

Tarzan knows best. Miss Ruth! He will find a way to meet us! We must do as he says!

They have seen us! They are shooting at us!

Yes! Paddle fast, Major!

It is very fortunate that the current of this river is swift! It is helping our escape! Keep your heads low until we are out of range of their arrows!

In the meantime, Tarzan is swinging rapidly through the trees...

I hope that I'll soon outdistance them!

The arrows have stopped and I hear no sounds! I guess they have given up the chase! Now I'll move toward the river bank!
Some Time Later...

The arrows have stopped! Now we can move more slowly, and watch for Tarzan!

Oh, I hope Tarzan escaped!

I'm sure he did, Miss Ruth! We will be seeing him soon!

I do not know this river! If it empties into the Congo, we're in luck! There will be many villages and settlements!

The shoreline is becoming a cliff and the current seems to be growing more swift!

Look! There's Tarzan! Thank heaven, he escaped!

I was sure we'd see him soon, Miss Ruth! Tarzan can outwit any native!

He's going to dive into the water! Do you suppose crocodiles...

I haven't seen any for some time! I think the current is too swift for them!

Stay in the middle of the river! I will swim to you!

Oh, I'm so glad to see you, Tarzan!
IS EVERYONE ALL RIGHT?
SAFE AND SOUND, TARZAN!

THE CLOSER WE COME TO THOSE CLIFFS AHEAD, THE SWIFTER THE CURRENT GROWS! I AM AFRAID IT MEANS RAPIDS OR FALLS!
YES! THIS RIVER IS STRANGE TO ME! I HAVE NEVER FOLLOWED IT BEFORE!

IT LOOKS AS IF THERE'S A SHARP BEND IN THE RIVER AFTER WE ENTER THAT GORGE, AND THE CURRENT IS VERY STRONG! I DON'T LIKE IT!
NEITHER DO I! I THINK D'ARNOT IS RIGHT! THERE MUST BE EITHER A WATERFALL OR RAPIDS AHEAD!

THERE'S THE BEND!

WE'LL KNOW IN A MINUTE WHAT LIES AHEAD AROUND THE BEND!

THE RIVER RUNS INTO THAT HOLE! STOP, TARZAN! WE MUST LAND!
TOO LATE FOR THAT NOW! HOLD FAST, ALL OF YOU!
GET DOWN IN THE BOTTOM OF THE BOAT QUICKLY!
OH, I WISH WE'D NEVER COME TO LOOK FOR THE LOST CITY!

I'M SO FRIGHTENED!
DON'T WORRY, MISS RUTH! KEEP YOUR HEADS DOWN, ALL OF YOU!

F OR A LONG, LONG TIME THEY RUSH THROUGH THE INKY BLACKNESS OF THE ROCKY TUNNEL. THEN...
LIGHT AHEAD! WE'RE ALMOST THROUGH!

M OON LIGHT OUTSIDE!
YES! IN A MOMENT WE'LL KNOW WHAT FACES US NEXT!

THANK HEAVEN, WE'RE OUT OF THAT TERRIBLE BLACK TUNNEL!
I ADMIT I HAD LITTLE HOPE THAT WE'D COME OUT ALIVE!

DO YOU THINK WE CAN LAND SOMEWHERE, TARZAN?
I'M AFRAID NOT! THERE'S NO PLACE!

WE'LL STAY IN THE CANOE UNTIL MORNING! THEN WE'LL LAND... IF WE CAN!
So they rush forward through the night, and when morning comes...

The cliffs are gone! We are back in the jungle!

We can find a place to go ashore now!

We'll land here and rest awhile! Then we'll continue on our way!

Do you know where we are, Tarzan?

No! I have never been in this part of the jungle before!

A short time later...

This will be our last meal, I am afraid! Our supplies are almost gone!

Don't worry about food, Miss Ruth! Tarzan will find something for you to eat! And if this river empties into the Congo, we'll soon reach a settlement!

While you rest, I will look around! This country is strange to me!

Shall I go with you, Tarzan?

No, Paul! It's better that I go alone in unfamiliar country! Perhaps I can find some sign to tell us where we are!
AN HOUR LATER, TARZAN RETURNS...

DID YOU FIND ANYTHING, TARZAN?

NOTHING TO SHOW WHERE WE ARE! BUT I MADE ONE IMPORTANT DISCOVERY!

THERE'S A HIGH WATERFALL DOWN STREAM! A PATH LEADS AROUND IT! THAT PATH IS MAN-MADE!

THAT MEANS THERE'S PROBABLY A NATIVE VILLAGE NEAR-BY!

PROBABLY! BUT I SAW NO LIVING BEING! I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE NATIVES ARE... WHETHER HOSTILE OR FRIENDLY!

THERE THEY ARE! YELLOW MEN WITH CLAW FEET!

THEY MUST BE THE CLAW MEN OF WHOM I'VE HEARD VAGUE RUMORS!

PUT DOWN THAT RIFLE, MAJOR! STAND STILL, EVERYONE!

ME MUNGO! WHO YOU?

I AM TARZAN OF THE APES!

GREAT HEAVENS! THE BRUTE SPEAKS ENGLISH!
GREETINGS, MUNGO! WE ARE FRIENDS! THIS IS STRANGE COUNTRY! CAN YOU GUIDE US TO A VILLAGE?

MUNGO, GUIDE YOU TO AHTEA! COME QUIETLY AND NO HARM B EFA LLS YOU!

WHO IS AHTEA?

AHTEA IS GREAT QUEEN!

COME WITH ME! YOU TALK TO AHTEA!

YOU HEARD WHAT MUNGO SAID! WE MUST GO WITH HIM! THERE IS NO OTHER WAY! THEY OUTNUMBER US GREATLY!

YES! THEY SEEM FRIENDLY! PER HAPS THE QUEEN WILL BE FRIENDLY, TOO!

WE WILL GO WITH YOU PEACEABLY, MUNGO!

THAT IS WELL! COME!

LED BY MUNGO, THE LEADER OF THE CLAW MEN, THEY FOLLOW A WIDE TRAIL THROUGH THE JUNGLE...

IT'S ASTONISHING THAT THEY SPEAK ENGLISH!

AND IT IS EVEN MORE ASTONISHING THAT THEY HAVEN'T DISARMED US!

I WONDER WHAT THEIR QUEEN IS LIKE!

WE WILL SOON FIND OUT! LET'S HOPE SHE IS AS FRIENDLY AS THESE MEN!

THIS TRAIL LEADS TO THE CITY OF AHTEA! IT IS SEVERAL HOURS DISTANT!
Many hours later, they reach the end of the long, weary trail...

There is the City of Tohr!

Did you hear that? This is the City of Tohr... the lost city for which we were searching!

Come! We will go down to the city! Follow me!

A few minutes later...

Where are you taking us, Mungo?

To the palace and Queen Ahtea!
YOU WILL ENTER, AHTEA, WAITING!

WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THAT CENTRAL ROCK COLUMN, D'ARNOX? IT CERTAINLY WAS NOT BUILT BY MAN!

NO! I'D SAY IT IS A NATURAL ROCK FORMATION!

TO THINK THAT ALL THIS IS IN THE HEART OF AFRICA!

YES! AMAZING, ISN'T IT? AND THIS IS YOUR LOST CITY!

ENTER THE THRONE ROOM OF QUEEN AHTEA!

ERROK, MUNGO! HAHN BANNI! (GOOD, MUNGO! STAND ASIDE!)

MUNGO HAHN KAH NANSO TAY BANNI AHL AHTEA! (MUNGO BRINGS THE WHITE STRANGERS TO AHTEA!)
WHY DO YOU COME TO THE CITY OF TOHR, STRANGERS? WHAT DO YOU SEEK HERE?

YOU MUST ASK MUNGO WHY HE BROUGHT US HERE! I DO NOT KNOW!

HOW ARE YOU CALLED, STRANGER?

I AM TARZAN OF THE APES!

WHO IS THIS WOMAN?

SHE IS RUTH BARTON! SHE AND HER UNCLE ARE ALL WHO REMAIN OF A LARGE EXPEDITION!

THESE OTHERS... WHO ARE THEY?

I AM PAUL D'ARNOT, LIEUTENANT IN THE NAVY OF FRANCE!

I AM JAMES BARTON! RUTH BARTON IS MY NIECE! OUR EXPEDITION WAS SEARCHING FOR THE LOST CITY OF TOHR!

I HAD THOUGHT TOHR WAS A PLACE OF RUINS!

TOHR IS ANCIENT! IT HAS STOOD AS IT NOW STANDS FOR MANY CENTURIES!

I AM THE LAST OF MY LINE! THE NEXT RULER WILL BE A CLAW MAN... IF I DIE WITHOUT LEAVING AN HEIR!
How does it happen that you speak English?

The rulers of Tohr have always spoken English! Many of my subjects speak it, also!

What are you going to do with us, Ahtea?

You will remain here in the palace, as my guests... until I have decided your fate!

Meanwhile, I have something to show you! Leave your weapons here! You may have them when you return!

Mungo! We go now to the Hall of Pantu!

This, my guests, is the Hall of Pantu! You will see the punishment meted out to those who disobey the laws of Tohr... and the will of Ahtea!

What is she going to do?

I don't know! That idol is made of pure gold, or I'm blind!
MUNGO! PLACE THE REBEL IN THE ARMS OF PANTU!

SHE'S GOING TO KILL THAT MAN, TARZAN!

WE CANNOT STOP WHAT YOU ARE DOING, AHTEA! BUT PERMIT US TO LEAVE THE HALL!

WE DO NOT WANT TO WATCH THE SACRIFICE OF A HELPLESS MAN TO YOUR HEATHEN GODS!

YOU WILL REMAIN AND WATCH! IF YOU RESIST, MUNGO, AND THE GUARDS WILL PLACE YOU ALL IN THE ARMS OF PANTU!

LOOK, TARZAN OF THE APES... AND ALL OF YOU! SEE THE FATE WHICH AWAITS YOU... IF YOU RESIST THE WILL OF AHTEA!

THE FIRES OF TOHR DESTROY ALL WHO REBEL AGAINST ITS QUEEN!

THE PRISONER... HE'S GONE!

YES! THE FIRES OF TOHR DESTROY QUICKLY AND COMPLETELY!

REMEMBER WELL WHAT YOU HAVE SEEN! NOW I HAVE DECIDED YOUR FATE!
IT IS THE WILL OF AHTEA, QUEEN OF TOHR, THAT YOU, TARZAN OF THE APES, REMAIN IN TOHR AS KING OF THE CLAWMEN AND HUSBAND OF AHTEA!

GREAT HEAVENS!
WHAT???

I CANNOT REMAIN HERE, AHTEA! I HAVE PROMISED TO TAKE MY FRIENDS TO SAFETY!

VERY WELL... THAT SHALL BE DONE! YOUR FRIENDS MAY LEAVE UNHARMED!

THEY SHALL BE GIVEN A GUARD WHO WILL LEAD THEM SAFELY TO THE NEAREST SETTLEMENT BEYOND THE BORDERS OF TOHR! YOU, TARZAN, WILL REMAIN HERE... WILLINGLY!

AND IF I WONT STAY WILLINGLY?

THEN NONE OF YOU SHALL LEAVE!

BEFORE YOU ANSWER, THERE IS SOMETHING ELSE I WISH YOU TO SEE! FOLLOW ME!

AHTEA LEADS HER "GUESTS" TO A BALCONY OPENING FROM HER THRONE ROOM...

THAT MAN IN THE ARENA IS UKAH, SON OF ATTAR, THE REBEL LEADER!
UKAH CONSPIRED TO OVERTHROW ME AND BECOME KING OF TOHR!

IF THIS IS TO BE ANOTHER SACRIFICE, WE DO NOT WISH TO SEE IT, AHTEA!

WATCH... AND BE SILENT!

UKAH HAS CHOSEN TO DIE THIS WAY, INSTEAD OF IN THE ARMS OF PANTU!

OH, HOW CAN YOU BE SO CRUEL! HE IS UNARMED! HE HASN'T A CHANCE!

THE LION IS TOLDO, GUARDIAN OF THE TREASURE CAVE OF TOHR, AND MIGHTIEST OF ALL MY HUNTING LIONS!

OHYYYY!

HELP! OH, HELP ME...

I'LL HELP YOU, RUTH!

THE FOOL! HE'LL DIE WITH THEM!
With his mighty strength, Tarzan breaks the neck of the maddened, charging lion.

You killed the lion with your bare hands! I cannot believe it!

Oh, Tarzan, you've saved us!

I can never thank you, mighty killer of beasts! I am Ukah, son of Attar!

I am Tarzan! Do not try to thank me, Ukah! I have saved you only for greater terror, I fear!

We must now face the wrath of Ahtea!

Yes! And her cruelty will know no limits, since you spoiled her plans for our deaths!

You have killed the mighty Toldo, guardian of the treasure caves of tohr! The penalty is death, Tarzan of the Apes!
CALL THE GUARDS AND BRING ALL THE PRISONERS TO THE THRONE ROOM!

YES, MY QUEEN!

THERE THEY SHALL LEARN THE FATE WHICH ANTEA DECREES FOR THEM!

SO TARZAN AND THE OTHERS ARE LED TO ANTEA'S THRONE ROOM...

ANTEA IS A FRIEND! SHE DELIBERATELY PUSHED ME OFF THAT BALCONY!

YOU ARE A WOMAN! SHE HATES YOU! SHE PROBABLY PLANS TO KILL US ONE BY ONE, TILL ONLY TARZAN IS LEFT!

SILENCE! LISTEN TO THE WORDS OF ANTEA! YOU HAVE KILLED THE SACRED LION! YOU HAVE DEFIED THE LAWS OF TOHR! DEATH IS THE PENALTY, TARZAN!

I, ALONE, CAN SAVE YOU! WILL YOU REMAIN IN TOHR AS KING... WHILE YOUR FRIENDS ARE CONDUCTED TO SAFETY... OR WILL YOU DIE WITH YOUR FRIENDS? ANSWER, TARZAN!

THERE IS ONLY ONE ANSWER! I MUST STAY! OTHERWISE, YOU ALL WILL BE KILLED!

NO! UNCLE JIM AND I WILL NOT PERMIT SUCH A SACRIFICE!

NOR WILL I!

BESIDES, YOU CAN'T TRUST ANTEA, TARZAN! IF YOU STAY, SHE WILL PROBABLY KILL US ALL, ANYWAY!

PERHAPS NOT... AND I CANNOT LET YOU ALL DIE...
YOUR ANSWER, TARZAN? SPEAK!

VERY WELL, AHTEA, I WILL....

I WILL ANSWER FOR HIM, AHTEA! WE WILL NOT PERMIT TARZAN TO STAY AND SACRIFICE HIMSELF FOR US! THE ANSWER IS NO!

SO BE IT! TAKE THEM TO THE DUNGEONS, MUNGO! AND GUARD THEM WELL!

LATER... THEY INSPECT THEIR DUNGEON PRISON BY THE LIGHT OF THE ONE TORCH LEFT FOR THEM...

THE ONLY DOOR IS THE ONE THROUGH WHICH WE ENTERED, AND IT IS BARRED ON THE OUTSIDE!

OH, WE'LL NEVER GET OUT OF THIS TERRIBLE PLACE!

THERE MAY BE SOME WAY! WE CAN TRY! WE'LL EXamine IT CAREFULLY!

IT LOOKS LIKE A LEDGE UP THERE, TARZAN!

YES! I'LL CLIMB UP AND SEE! YOU HOLD THE TORCH, UKAH!

SO TARZAN LEAPS UPWARD TOWARD THE LEDGE...

HE MADE IT!

HIS STRENGTH IS AMAZING!
WE ARE IN LUCK! I HAVE FOUND AN OPENING INTO A TUNNEL! I DON'T KNOW WHERE IT LEADS... BUT IT MAY BE A WAY OUT!

FINE! BUT HOW CAN WE GET UP TO THE LEDGE? WE CANNOT LEAP HIGH, AS YOU CAN!

THAT IS SIMPLE! UKAH WILL LIFT YOU FROM BELOW... AND I WILL PULL YOU UP! COME, RUTH! YOU SHALL BE FIRST!

A FEW MINUTES LATER...

THAT WAS A GOOD JUMP, UKAH!

BUT NOT SO GOOD AS YOURS, TARZAN, MY FRIEND!

NOW WE SHALL SEE WHERE THE TUNNEL LEADS! I WILL GO FIRST WITH THE TORCH!

FOR MANY MINUTES THEY WALK WARILY THROUGH THE DARK, ROCK-WALLED TUNNEL...

SUDDENLY TARZAN STOPS...

WHAT IS IT, TARZAN? I SMELL SHEETA, THE LEOPARD!

THERE'S THE LEOPARD! HE'S CHAINED TO THE ENTRANCE OF A CROSS TUNNEL!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING, TARZAN?
TO HOLD SHEETA! WHEN I CALL, RUN INTO THE CROSS-TUNNEL QUICKLY!

AS TARZAN APPROACHES, THE SNARLING LEOPARD LEAPS, BUT TARZAN DODGES HIS CHARGE AND GRASPS THE HEAVY CHAIN...

NOW! RUN QUICKLY! HURRY!

SWIFTLY, THE OTHERS RUSH PAST TARZAN AND THE LEOPARD INTO THE CROSS-TUNNEL...

WHEN I REACH THE END OF THE CHAIN, I'LL DROP SHEETA! I DO NOT WANT TO KILL HIM!

WHY DIDN'T YOU KILL THE LEOPARD, TARZAN? IF THE DEAD BODY OF SHEETA WERE FOUND HERE, ATEA WOULD KNOW WE PASSED THIS WAY!

LOOK! FIRE!
WE HAVE REACHED THE END OF THE TUNNEL!
NOW I KNOW WHERE WE ARE! WE'RE UNDER AHTEA'S CHAMBER OF SACRIFICE, THE HALL OF PANTU!

YES! THIS MUST BE THE PIT OF THE FIRES OF TOHR... THE FIRES WE SAW COMING UP THROUGH THE FLOOR ABOVE!

OH! THIS IS HORRIBLE!

I THINK I UNDERSTAND NOW! WHEN THOSE STONE BLOCKS ARE OPENED, A DRAFT IS CREATED, DRAWING THE FLAMES UP FROM THE PIT THROUGH THE OPENING!

THERE MUST BE A WAY OF OPENING THIS GATE!

OPENING IT? YOU MEAN YOU'RE GOING TO CROSS THAT BRIDGE WITH THE FIRE ALL AROUND IT?

BEHIND US ARE AHTEA AND HER CLAWMEN... AND SHEETA, THE LEOPARD! AHEAD, WE MAY FIND A WAY OUT!

BUT WE CAN'T CROSS THROUGH THAT FIRE! EVEN HERE IT'S UNBEARABLY HOT!

LOOK! THE FIRE HAS SUDDENLY DIED DOWN INTO THE PIT!

THE STONE BLOCKS IN THE CEILING HAVE BEEN CLOSED, STOPPING THE DRAFT WHICH DREW THE FLAMES UPWARD!
This bar opens the gate, Tarzan! There are many similar gates in the palace! I have seen them opened!

The fire has died down now and does not touch the bridge! But it will be very hot, so we must hurry!

Our only hope of escape is to cross the bridge and see what lies beyond the other barred door! That other door probably opens the same way! I'll carry Ruth!

Don't look down into that bubbling cauldron of fire! And move quickly!

A few moments later they reach the other side...

Thank heaven, we are here! I could not have stood another second of that heat!

I will open the gate!

Ah! I know where we are now! This place is the armory of Tohr!

It is an armory! Look at those swords and spears!

We will take what weapons we need and see what lies beyond those doors... if we can open them!
Ah! A! The Clawmen!

So you thought you could escape from Ah! A! Did you? We have been watching your every movement! Your trip across the bridge was courageous... and painful!

Do not try to resist, my brave Tarzan! Mungo has fifty men to subdue you! You will not live to reach the weapons on the walls! And behind you are the fires of Tohr!

We admit defeat, Ah! A! We will not resist!

That is wise!

Conduct the prisoners to the Hall of Pantu, Mungo!

So, once again, Tarzan and his friends stand in the terrifying Hall of Pantu...

The fires of Tohr are waiting for you, Tarzan!
I WILL GIVE YOU ONE MORE CHANCE, TARZAN, TO SAVE YOUR LIFE AND THE LIVES OF YOUR FRIENDS! STAY HERE WITH ME AS KING OF TOHR, AND MUNGO WILL LEAD THE OTHERS TO SAFETY!

THERE IS NO OTHER WAY! I MUST ACCEPT HER TERMS!

NO! IT WILL BE A USELESS SACRIFICE! SHE WILL KILL US, ANYWAY!

DO NOT TRUST AHTEA, TARZAN! SHE IS WITHOUT HONOR!

I WILL STAY UNDER ONE CONDITION, AHTEA! I, MYSELF, MUST SEE MY FRIENDS TO SAFETY BEYOND THE BORDERS OF TOHR... AND YOUR POWER!

THEN I WILL RETURN! I GIVE YOU MY WORD!

OH, NO, TARZAN! ONCE AWAY FROM TOHR, YOU WOULD FIND SOME WAY OF ESCAPE! YOU WOULD NOT RETURN!

PULL THE LEVER AND OPEN THE PIT, MUNGO!

SINCE YOU WILL NOT ACCEPT MY TERMS, THE WOMAN SHALL DIE FIRST!

OH, NO! OH, NO... LET ME GO!

THAT FIEND!

NO! UKAH! NO! SAVE YOUR QUEEN!

I WILL DIE WITH MY QUEEN!

TARZAN BREAKS LOOSE FROM THE GRASP OF THE CLAW MEN...
As Mungo and the guards stand, stunned, Tarzan closes the fiery pit...

Paul! Ukah! Get the guards' spears!

A moment later...

Ahteal Hukwa! Ahteal Ahn Noob Tohr! (Ahteal is dead! Ahteal has fallen into the fires of Tohr!)

Yes! Ahteal is dead! She was a tyrant and a cruel ruler! She deserved death!

Listen, Mungo and all of you! Let cruelty and bloodshed die with Ahteal! Let us have peace in Tohr!

Ukah speak good words! We have had enough killing! We call council and elect new ruler!

Mungo right!

Yes! We live in peace now!

Several days later...

Mungo will lead you safely to the nearest settlement! Since my father has been chosen king of Tohr, you will always be welcome here! Farewell!

Farewell, Ukah! Perhaps someday I shall return!
Look, Muviro! The trading post is burned!

Tarzan, and his friend, Muviro, the waziri warrior, walk into the fire-blackened ruins of the Mollunga River trading post.

I don't see a living soul! I wonder what happened...

Perhaps the black sickness...

If the trader had burned the village and post because of plague, we would have found the bodies of those who died of the sickness!

A helmet... with a bullet hole... this may tell us something!
EVERTHING OF VALUE WAS DESTROYED OR CARRIED AWAY! OUR ONLY CLUE TO WHAT HAPPENED IS THAT HELMET!

A WOMAN!
THE ONLY LIVING THING IN THIS DESOLATION!
WHO ARE YOU? AND WHAT SEEK YOU HERE AMONG THE DEAD?

I AM TARZAN OF THE APES! MY COMPANION IS MUVIRO, CHIEF OF THE WAZIRI!
I AM SALA, THE SWAHILI. I HAVE HEARD MY PEOPLE TALK OF YOU! YOU HAVE COME TOO LATE, TARZAN!

TELL US WHAT HAPPENED, SALA!
MY MASTER, ROBERTSON EWANA, IS DEAD! HELEN, HIS DAUGHTER, IS CAPTIVE OF THE BLACK PANTHER!

WHO IS THE BLACK PANTHER?
HE IS SIDI BEN YEMLIK, THE ARAB SLAVE TRADER!
THE BLACK PANTHER KILLED ROBERTSON EWANA BECAUSE HE WOULD NOT SELL THE YOUNG MEN AND WOMEN OF MY PEOPLE INTO SLAVERY!
THE BLACK PANTHER AND HIS MEN
ATTACKED US! THEY THREW THE
DEAD AND WOUNDED TO THE
CROCODILES! THEY TOOK THE
OTHERS TO BE SOLD AS SLAVES!

AND YOU?

I WAS CAPTURED WITH MY
MISTRESS, ROBERTSON
Bwana's daughter, Helen!
They took us to the Black
Panther's village! I escaped
and returned here for
help!

CAN YOU LEAD US TO THE
BLACK PANTHER'S VILLAGE?
PERHAPS WE CAN RESCUE
YOUR MISTRESS!

'I CAN LEAD
YOU THERE!
BUT HE HAS
MANY EVIL MEN...
AND WE ARE BUT
THREE!'

SOMETIMES THREE CAN OVERCOME MANY!
COME! LET'S HURRY!

WHY IS SIDI BEN
YEMLIK, THE
SLAVE TRADER,
CALLED THE
BLACK PANTHER?'

BECAUSE, LIKE BLACK
PANTHER OF THE JUNGLE,
HE STRIKES WITHOUT
REASON OR WITHOUT
WARNING!

TWO DAYS LATER...
WE SHOULD BE NEAR
THE PANTHER'S LAIR,
SALA!

YES! WE WILL
REACH IT BEFORE
TOMORROW'S
SUNSET!

LISTEN! I HEAR
THE SOUND OF
MANY ELEPHANTS!

DO NOT FEAR, SALA!
THEY WILL DO NO
HARM WHEN TARZAN
IS WITH US!

THEY ARE COMING,
CLOSER!

YES! AND THE VOICE OF
ONE IS FILLED WITH PAIN!
Tantor, the elephant, is wounded! That broken spear in his trunk pains him! I will take it out!

Yud yel yo, Tantor! Tarzan rem zut arad lat! (Come here, friend elephant! Tarzan will take out the spear!)

So Tarzan removes the broken spear from the elephant's trunk...

It is told among the tribes that Tarzan is the friend of all jungle animals! I believe it now!

Vando unk, Tantor! (Farewell, Tantor!)

Tantor will not forget that kindness, Tarzan!

No! Elephants have long memories! Now we had better be on our way! We have many hours of walking before us!
There is the village of the Black Panther, Tarzan! And there is the Panther himself!

Yes! I have seen him before!

The distance is right for a spear, Tarzan! I would not miss his head!

Not now, Nuviro! We'll go back to the jungle and wait for night!

At darkness I will swim the river and climb the stockade! How many men are with the Black Panther, Sala?

Three times the number of fingers of both hands! There are many men in his band!

Many others come in boats to buy slaves! Some come up the river in great white-winged boats from the ocean! All of them do the Panther's bidding!
Later that night...

I hear voices and laughter! They must be celebrating!

They have captured some more slaves, probably! They always feast when they do!

I'm going now! When you hear the call of the Kanya bird, come quickly! I will open the gate for you!

The sounds of their celebration will drown all other noises!

I must take care of that guard first!

I am glad tonight is a feast night! The noise grows louder and louder!

Cautiously and noiselessly, Tarzan climbs over the top of the stockade...
WARILY HE MOVES TOWARD THE GUARD...

BE QUIET AND YOUR LIFE MAY BE SPARED!

I HOPE THESE BONDS WILL HOLD!

NOW I'LL CALL MUVIRO AND SALA!

PHEELELO-O-OOO

IT WILL BE SIMPLE NOW TO OPEN THE GATE!

SALA AND MUVIRO HEAR TARZAN'S CALL...

THAT WAS THE CALL OF THE KANYA BIRD! COME! LET US GO!

I'M AFRAID OF THE DANGER BEFORE US, MUVIRO!

TRUST TARZAN! HE KNOWS WHAT HE DOES!
TARZAN IS WAITING! AND THE GATE IS OPEN!

MAKE NO NOISE AND KEEP IN THE SHADOW!

HERE IS THE BLACK PANTHER'S LAIR! IN WHICH HOUSE IS YOUR MISTRESS, SALA?

THE HOUSE BEYOND THE FIRE!
THE MENGSHIB IS WELL GUARDED, TARZAN! HER GUARD IS BEN YEMLIK'S OWN BODY SERVANT!

THOSE LONG HOUSES ARE THE SLAVE SHEDS! THE SLAVES ARE CHAINED TO IRON BARS... RUNNING THE LENGTH OF THE HOUSES! THAT LARGE HOUSE IS BEN YEMLIK'S!

WHO HAS THE KEY TO THE SLAVE SHACKLES?

THERE ARE TWO KEYS! THE PANTHER CARRIES ONE! THE OTHER HANGS IN THE GUARD HOUSE ON A PEG BesIDE THE DOOR!

IF WE HAD THAT KEY, WE COULD RELEASE THE SLAVES AND ARM THEM WITH THEIR OWN SHACKLES! PIECES OF CHAIN MAKE GOOD WEAPONS!

MOVE QUIETLY! WE'LL TRY TO GET THAT KEY!

MOST OF THE GUARDS ARE FEASTING WITH THE OTHERS! THEIR GUNS WILL BE IN THE GUARD HOUSE!

WE'LL RELEASE THE MEN FIRST! WE'LL FREE THE WOMEN LATER! THEY'LL BE HARMED IF THERE IS A STRUGGLE!

AT LAST THEY REACH THE GUARD HOUSE...

THERE IS NO ONE HERE! YOU GET THE KEY, SALA! MUVIRO AND I WILL GATHER GUNS AND AMMUNITION!

A FEW MINUTES LATER...

NOW LEAD THE WAY TO THE SLAVE SHEDS, SALA. AND KEEP IN THE SHADOW OF THE STOCKADE!
QUIET! TARZAN OF THE APES HAS COME TO FREE YOU!

YOU MEN HAVE USED THE FIRE-STICK OF THE WHITE MEN! YOU MUST FIGHT FOR YOUR FREEDOM! THE WOMEN WILL BE FREED LATER!

QUICKLY ALL THE SLAVES ARE FREED...

THIS IS TIMARU, TARZAN! HE IS A CHIEFTAIN OF MY PEOPLE!

HERE IS A FIRE-STICK, TIMARU! MUVIRO WILL LEAD YOUR MEN! TELL THEM TO DO AS HE SAYS! YOU WILL COME WITH ME!

WE HAVE HEARD MUCH OF TARZAN OF THE APES AND MUVIRO THE WAZIRI! WE WILL FOLLOW WHERE THEY LEAD!

PLACE YOUR MEN, MUVIRO! WAIT UNTIL YOU HEAR ME CALL "KREEGAH," BEFORE YOU BEGIN THE ATTACK! IF YOU ARE DRIVEN BACK BARRICADE YOURSELVES IN THE GUARD HOUSE!

IT SHALL BE SO, TARZAN!
A moment later...

There is the house in which my mistress is held! The Panther's Guard stands beside the door!

Good! We will approach him from the rear of the hut!

In the meantime, the Guard at the gate escapes from his bonds...

The Guard hurries to warn the others...

Our guns and ammunition are gone! I must tell Sidi Ben Yemlik at once!

It will be necessary to interrupt the feast of Ben Yemlik and his friends!

Come quickly! A stranger has entered the stockade! Our guns and ammunition are gone!

What!!!
I was standing at my post... someone crept up behind me and overpowered me... when I revived I was bound, hand and foot... I freed myself...

My gun was gone! I ran for another and to warn the other guards! Our guns and our ammunition have been stolen!

Swine! Asleep on duty, eh? The thief should have killed you! Did you see him?

No, master. I did not see him! I know only that he has the strength of the buffalo and the silence of a shadow!

Call the guards from their feasting! Issue new arms from the second store house! Search the compound!

Yes, Sidi Ben! If there is anyone here, we shall find him!

In the meantime...

Here is the mensahib's prison! Timaru, you approach the guard from one side! I will appear on the other! We will overpower him silently!

Make no sound and you will live!
GOOD! HE DID NOT MAKE A SOUND! WE WILL TAKE HIM INSIDE THE HUT!

ENTER, SALA! TELL YOUR MISTRESS THAT WE ARE HERE!

THIS IS TARZAN OF THE APES, MEMSAB! HE HAS COME TO RESCUE YOU!

TARZAN! FOR MANY YEARS I HAVE HEARD STORIES OF YOUR PROWESS! I DON'T KNOW HOW TO THANK YOU...

IT WILL BE TIME FOR THANKS WHEN YOU ARE REALLY FREE! WE HAVE YET TO TAKE YOU AND THE CAPTURED SLAVES FROM THIS STRONGHOLD!

BRING IN THE GUARD, TIMARU! WE WILL HOLD HIM HERE UNTIL LATER!

I WILL TRY TO GAIN YOUR FREEDOM WITHOUT A BATTLE! YOU WILL REMAIN HERE WHILE I GO TALK TO SIDI BEN YEMLIK!

DO NOT GO TO HIM, TARZAN! HE IS THE MOST CRUEL MAN IN AFRICA! IT WILL MEAN YOUR DEATH!

IT IS THE ONLY WAY! OTHERWISE, MANY LIVES MAY BE LOST IN A BATTLE!
As the guards search the compound, Tarzan walks toward the Black Panther's bungalow...

Look, Sidi Ben! A strange white man!

So it is!

Who are you? And how did you get in here?

I am Tarzan of the Apes! It does not matter how I got in! I demand the release of Helen Robertson, Sidi Ben Yenlik!

So you are Tarzan. Are you? I heard you were a great man! I see only a half-naked fool!

I did not come here to argue!

Release Helen Robertson! Then I will give you and your men twenty-four hours to leave the country!

Look at the great Tarzan, the brother of monkeys! Alone and unarmed, except for a knife, he attempts dictation to the Black Panther! Ho! Ho! Ho!

I suppose you want me to release the slaves, too?

No! They have been released! And they are armed! If need be, they will fight for their freedom!

So you have freed and armed them, have you? Then we will kill them and get more where they came from! Take this, Tarzan, men!
YOU ASKED FOR THIS, MISTER APE MAN!

FIRST A TASTE OF THE BLACK-SNAKE! THEN WE WILL TURN YOU OVER TO THE ARABS TO FINISH THE JOB!

KREEGAH! KREEGAH!

KREEGAH! KREEGAH!

DON'T SHOOT AT THE WHITE GIRL'S HUT! TAKE TARZAN ALIVE! WE'LL MAKE HIM PAY FOR THIS!
THE BATTLE RAGES FAST AND FURIOUSLY...

FROM THE HUT WINDOW HELEN WATCHES THE BATTLE...

IT IS HOPELESS! TARZAN AND HIS MEN ARE OUTNUMBERED TWO TO ONE!

TARZAN WILL BE KILLED, SALA! HE SHOULD NEVER HAVE GONE OUT THERE!

TARZAN IS A MIGHTY FIGHTER, MEMSAHIB! PERHAPS HE WILL FIND A WAY!

TARZAN IS FIGHTING HIS WAY TOWARD THIS HUT! UNLATCH THE DOOR!

ENTER QUICKLY, TARZAN!

OH, TARZAN, YOU ARE HURT!

I AM ALL RIGHT! BUT WE CAN'T HOLD THIS HUT LONG! THE BLACK PANTHER'S MEN ARE TOO MANY FOR US! WE MUST FIND SOME MEANS FOR YOU TO ESCAPE, NOW!
LISTEN! WHAT IS THAT NOISE?

ELEPHANTS! TANTOR IS COMING OUT OF THE JUNGLE!

TANTOR! TANTOR!

LISTEN TO THE TRUMPETING OF THE ELEPHANTS! WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

TANTOR HEARD MY CALL AND HE IS ANSWERING!

TANTOR IS TARZAN'S FRIEND!

TANTOR IS COMING! THE ELEPHANTS WILL SAVE US!

YUD, TANTOR! (COME, TANTOR!)

ELEPHANTS! CRASHING THROUGH THE STOCKADE!

RUN! THE ELEPHANTS ARE COMING!
The Black Panther's men flee before the onrushing elephants...

Run! The elephants won't stop till they've trampled everything!

Hours later...

Garga, Tantor! Yo Ben! (Thank you, Tantor! You are a friend...indeed!)

Oh, yes! Thank you!

Vando Link, Tantor! (Farewell, Tantor!)

The elephant repaid your kindness, Tarzan! Yes! The Black Panther's lair is destroyed forever!

And now, Miss Helen, Muviro and I will take you to safety! Then we will be on our way to the country of the Waziri!
NUMA IS THE LION.

RAGGO IS THE ZEBRA.

SHEETA IS THE LEOPARD.

DURO IS THE HIPPOPOTAMUS.

GIMLA IS THE CROCODILE.

DANGO IS THE HYENA.