Rinki couldn’t remember who she was!
She just couldn’t remember the word.

Was she a Highnosesdust?
Ginormosauce?
Whymarvellous?
Rinki didn’t feel sure about this at all. She decided to go for a walk and find out. Maybe she would meet someone who looked like her!
“I’m large and grey like you. Am I an elephant too?”

“Harrumph,” said Elephant. “What you say is true, but we’re taller and bigger than you. Our trunks are like pipes, our ears are all flappy. Rinki, we’re different from you.”
“I have a horn like some of you. Am I a deer too?”

“Hafloof,” said Deer. “What you say is true, but we’re shorter and smaller too. Our horns are like trees on the sides of our heads. Rinki, we’re different from you.”
“I love mud and water baths like you. Am I a water buffalo too?”

“Oonph,” said Water Buffalo. “What you say is true, but our horns are long and curvy. Our skin is a bit hairy, not folded or bumpy. Rinki, we’re different from you.”
“I have bumpy skin like yours. Am I a crocodile too?”

“Hurranngh,” said Crocodile. “What you say is true, but we’re flatter than you. We have long snouts and shiny tails. Rinki, we’re different from you.”
Rinki thought hard as she walked over to the pond.
In the water, she saw herself.
Big nose
Half-moon horn
Crumpled skin
Oh, now she remembered! She was a rhinoceros!
She was a bit like the others, but she was different too.
“Mostly,” she thought, “I am just Rinki.”
Meet the Indian Rhino

Rinki is an Indian rhinoceros who lives in Kaziranga, Assam. Indian rhinos are usually alone. You might see them in groups when they are mating or when they’re very young and need to stay with their mothers.

- Single horn on top of the nose. Like a unicorn!
- Thick skin that falls in folds
- Bumpy patterns in some places
- Lips can curl and grip favourite foods like grass. Also snacks on leaves, branches, fruits and water-plants.
- Three toes on each foot
- Legs that can run at about 40 kilometres per hour
- Thick skin that falls in folds
Indian rhinos are some of the biggest land animals in the country.
Animals you can meet when you visit Kaziranga, Assam.

Indian Elephant

Barasingha or Eastern Swamp Deer

Wild Water Buffalo

Marsh Crocodile

Kaziranga is also home to tigers, otters, turtles and many species of birds.
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A Little Like You

(English)

Rinki can’t remember who she is. An elephant? A deer? Follow Rinki the rhino as she finds out!

This is a Level 2 book for children who recognize familiar words and can read new words with help.

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