



★ **Kesar and the Lullaby Birds**

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Kesar's little sister, Kamal, will not sleep at night; she keeps the whole village awake. When Kesar's *ba* comes to visit, she tells her a story about a woman whose embroidered animals came to life; Kesar is inspired to try a new approach to bedtime. Set in the Kutch region of India, the bright colors, intricate patterns, and delicate details of Indian attire and architecture are standout features. A glossary in the back provides definitions and pronunciations of Kutchi and Gujarati words used.

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