## *Nelson Gets a Fright,* by Beverley Randell, Rigby PM Storybooks Level 20 (Excerpts)

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12	The lionesses were hungry.
	They had not eaten for two days,
	and they had cubs to feed.
	They all came closer to Nelson.
	They were going to spring on his back.
13	Nelson was very frightened.
	He bellowed
	as he tried to run past the lionesses.
	Nina cried out, too.
14	Nelson's mother and grandmother
	and aunts and cousins heard the cries,
	and they all came charging
	to the rescue.
	They lifted up their trunks
	and trumpeted as they ran.
15	The ground shook as the herd rushed
	to save Nelson.
	The lionesses heard them coming.
	They turned and fled.
16	Nelson and Nina ran toward the herd.
	And for a long time afterward,
	they did not play too far away
	from their family.