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Max hears the lion crying for help because it is trapped.



Max decides to help and chews the ropes of the net.



The lion is free, thanks Max, and tells him he is brave.