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TIDY

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TWO HOOTS

Deep in the forest lived a badger called Pete
Who tidied and cleaned and kept everything neat.



He tidied the flowers by checking each patch,
And snipping off any that didn't quite match.

He tidied the fox by grooming his fur,
He untangled each knot,
and each twig,
and each burr.



He tidied the birds,
from the big to the small
By brushing their beaks
and then bathing them all.



He picked up stray sticks,
he swept, and he rubbed,

He polished the rocks,
and he scoured and he scrubbed.

