



# Aza's Market Day

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Little Aza arrives at the bustling Caribbean market with his favorite plush parrot, Pele, tucked under his arm. The sun is shining, and his colorful Maya-inspired backpack is ready for a big adventure.



The market is filled with wonderful sights and sounds, from stacks of rice to piles of bright red peppers. Aza holds Pele close as they walk past the friendly vendors and their colorful stalls.



Aza stops in front of a big basket filled with round, sun-ripened mangoes. He points his tiny finger at the bright yellow and orange fruit, showing them to Pele.



Pele the parrot leans forward, looking very excited about the sweet-smelling mangoes. Aza giggles as he imagines his plush friend wanting to take a little bite of the fruit.



Next, they find a tall stack of fuzzy brown coconuts piled high on a wooden table. Aza looks up at them with wide, curious eyes, wondering how the rough shells feel.



Mama reaches out her hand to pick the very best mangoes for their kitchen. Aza watches her carefully, learning how to choose the sweetest fruit at the market.



Mama hands the soft, heavy mangoes to Aza so he can help. He smiles wide, feeling very proud to hold the fruit while Pele watches safely from his arms.



It is time to go, and Aza helps carry a small bag of delicious groceries. He walks carefully with his backpack on and Pele held tight, feeling like a very big helper.



Aza finds a nice wooden bench to sit on for a little rest after their walk. He places Pele right beside him, and they both look out at the colorful market one last time.



Aza gives a happy sigh and hugs his plush friend close. He loves the bright colors and the sweet smells, and he thinks market day is the best day of all.