## WHERE ONCE THERE WAS A WOOD by Denise Fleming

|  | Reader 1 Reader 2 Reader 3                                     |
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| Reader 1:                              | Where once there was a wood                                    |
| Reader 2:                              | a meadow   |
| Reader 3:                              | and a creek  |
| Reader 1:                              | where once the red fox rested                                  |
| Reader 2:                              | where once the ferns unfurled and purple violets grew          |
| Reader 3:                              | where once the woodchuck left his den to catch the morning dew |
| Reader 1:                              | where once the horned owl hunted to feed her hungry brood      |
| Reader 2:                              | where once the heron fished and speared his glittering food    |
| Reader 3:                              | where once the brown snake slithered and slipped out of sight  |
| Reader 1:                              | where once the raccoons rambled and rumaged in the night       |
| Reader 2:                              | where once the berries ripened and waxwings came to feed       |
| Reader 3:                              | where once the pheasants roosted and fed on nuts and seed      |
| Reader 2:                              | Where once there was a wood                                    |
| Reader 3:                              | a meadow   |
| Reader 1:                              | and a creek  |
| All:                                   | sit houses side by side  |
| All:                                   | twenty houses deep.  |
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