MENTOR TEXT – BOOKLET 6

On Friday, May 23rd, 2025, at approximately 4:00 p.m., an incident involving my dog Buster and a neighbourhood stray cat occurred at the savannah, near my house in Malabar, Arima. This report details exactly what took place during the incident.

I was walking Buster, my brown and white terrier mix, on his leash like I always do. We were walking past a big shady mango tree when suddenly, a fluffy black cat jumped out from behind the mango tree. Unexpectedly, Buster pulled hard on his leash, causing the collar he was wearing to became loose.

Immediately after his collar came off, Buster began to chase the cat. The cat then ran into a wooded area of the park. Buster followed the cat into the trees and was no longer visible from the path where I stood. I ran to the edge of the wooded area where Buster was last seen. I called his name repeatedly. The cat was not visible either. I walked into the wooded area among the trees, following the direction Buster had gone, as I continued to call his name.

After approximately ten minutes, I heard barking sounds from deeper in the woods. I walked towards the barking sounds. I located Buster near a large tree. He was barking at the base of the tree. The black cat was seen in a branch of the tree, approximately three metres off the ground. I approached Buster and placed my hands on his collar. He stopped barking. I then walked Buster out of the wooded area and onto the path. I held his collar firmly. We walked directly home.

Upon arrival at home, Buster was given water. His collar was inspected and secured. The incident concluded at approximately 7:00 p.m.

