

Ranger Rick's ADVENTURES

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IN THE LAST ISSUE, RANGER RICK RACCOON, SCARLETT FOX, AND BOOMER BADGER WERE VISITING NEAR YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK. BOOMER'S COUSIN BRUCIE HAD SENT A TEXT INVITING THEM TO COME AND SEE HOW THE "WILD WEST IS GETTING WILDER." WHILE LOOKING FOR BRUCIE, THE GANG CAME ACROSS SHEEP GRAZING ON LAND THAT A RANCHER WAS RENTING FROM THE U.S. GOVERNMENT. NOW, THE SHEEP ARE BEING CHASED BY GRIZZLY BEARS!





So, what did you mean by "lucky THIS time"?

Most times, ranchers aren't around to save their sheep!

BRUCIE EXPLAINS THAT GRIZZLIES AND WOLVES HAVE GROWN IN NUMBER IN THE NATIONAL FORESTS IN THE AREA. THAT'S GOOD FOR THOSE ANIMALS—AND FOR PEOPLE WHO LOVE WILDLIFE. BUT IT HASN'T BEEN SO GOOD FOR RANCHERS WHO GRAZE THEIR LIVESTOCK HERE.



Now I know why your text message said, "The Wild West is getting wilder!"

Look over there! Let's go watch!



Go, Sparky! Go, Fielder! Let's round 'em up!



Those sheep are going the wrong way. Watch what happens.



They've turned them back!

Yay!



Those dogs are amazing!



