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An Ode To The Bush

Oh, bush you look majestic to me
You always are, and you'll always be
A beauty, a wonder to a traveller like me

When I'm stressed and lonely,
Bush walking is the key
What lies within you
Makes me happy

You are a home to many shrubs,
Gums, eucalyptus and wattle trees
All standing amazingly,
Where kangaroos, emus, wallabies
Can roam around free

Your iconic beauty is a must to see
For us to appreciate God's marvellous creation
Made just for you and me

Let us be kind to our bush,
God gave this to us for free
Not to deplete its wonders,
but to make use of its existence responsibly

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