



One good morning in the Garo Hills!



Yaaaawn!

Good morning huro



Ahem! Ahem!

Open your eyes nono

Sing with huro



Huro is singing

Bum! Bum!

Simsang is dancing



Huro is pooping

Yuck! Yuck!

Techri is blooming



Huro is clapping

Clap! Clap!

Mongma is bathing



🎵 pagipa cooks michu 🎵

🎵 Ambi sows rice 🎵



DAKMANDA

Magipa got a client. Oh Wow! So nice!

Huro is happy today

Up bright blue skies





If no more huro

No singing oh no!

If no more huro

Forest gone oh no!



♪ When you care for huro ♪

♪ You care for Garo ♪



Open your eyes nono

Sing with huro

Good good morning nono Sing with huro

Hello! We are Huros!

Can we tell you a little more about us?

Are we monkeys?

We are apes! Our other name is Hoolock Gibbons.
Male huros are black in colour. Female huros are grey-brown.

Where do we stay?

Right here in the beautiful Garo Hills.
We are in the forest on top of the trees!

Our favourite food?

Flowers, leaves, fruits and vegetables.
We love caterpillars and spiders too. Yum!

Our favourite thing to do?

Singing and taking care of the Garo Hills.

How do we take care of Garo Hills?

Our poop helps trees grow and flowers bloom.
Our songs make the forest feel good.



What to do when you see a huro?

Tell us your name! Sing a song!
But please stand far away, we are shy.

What if you see a huro who is hurt?

Call an adult you trust! Like your teacher or your parents.
Ask them to call our friends at The Huro Programme.

But how do huros get hurt?

Some bad people hurt us with guns. Some lock us in their homes.
Some cut down our homes. Electric shock from electric wires also hurts us.

Come, make a huro promise!

I promise that I will always be a friend of the huros.
I will tell all my friends, that huros are our friends.
And just like the huros, I will take care of our Garo Hills.

Write A Letter To Huro!

Huros love to read letters from new friends.
Why don't you write and draw a letter for a huro?

Tell them your name, your favourite song and your favourite food.
You can also tell them a story. They love to read a story!

Write your letter in the language you are comfortable in.
Once you finish, put the letter in an envelope and give it to your teacher.

Ask them to send it to the huros staying at the Huro Programme.
Who knows! If the huros are not busy singing, they may write back to you!



Glossary

See Garo words on the left. See their English meanings on the right.

Garo Hills – A range of hills in Meghalaya, India

Huro – Hoolock, a species of gibbons. Did you know?
Huros are the only apes found in India!

Nono – A Garo word for Little sister

Chigring – A traditional string musical instrument See. page 3.

Kotip – A traditional headband worn by people of Garo See. page 3.

Techri - A rare flower that blooms only in Garo Hills.
It is also the largest flower in the world. Wow!

Simsang - Name of a river that runs in the Garo Hills.
It starts from the Nokrek Range and flows into Bangladesh.

Mongma - An elephant in the Garo language

Pagipa - A Garo word for Father

Magipa - A Garo word for Mother

Ambi - A Garo word for Grandmother

Michu - A fried rice cooked by the garo people

