

Three years after their adventure in Jumanji: Welcome to the Jungle, Spencer Gilpin, Anthony "Fridge" Johnson, Martha Kaply, and Bethany Walker have separated for college, but plan a reunion over Christmas break. The night before the reunion, Spencer, feeling like he has no purpose, gets out the Jumanji game set. When he doesn't show up at the reunion, his friends visit his mother's home, greeted by Spencer's grandfather Eddie and Eddie's former friend and business partner Milo Walker, who is visiting him. They discover that Spencer has gone into Jumanji and Fridge, Martha, Eddie and Milo go into the game as well, leaving Bethany behind. Inside the game, Martha finds herself as Ruby Roundhouse, the same avatar she had in the prior movie. Fridge becomes Professor Sheldon Oberon (which Bethany had used previously) while Eddie and Milo become Dr. Smolder Bravestone and Franklin "Mouse" Finbar (which Spencer and Fridge had used previously). Transported to a desert to pursue Jurgen, and after narrowly escaping a flock of pursuing ostriches, the group encounters Spencer, who is operating a new avatar, a skilled thief named Ming Fleetfoot. While attempting to escape the desert, the group faces new challenges and problems, along with collecting an in-game item called a Jumanji Berry, and discovering a pool of glowing green water that allows them to switch avatars. After instructing Eddie and Milo on the game's rules, the group encounters non-player character Nigel Billingsley, the game's guide, who reveals that Jumanji is suffering from a massive drought. To leave the game, the group must end the drought by recovering a magical necklace known as the Falcon Heart that was stolen by the warlord Jurgen the Brutal. Meanwhile, Eddie bickers with Milo, revealing their friendship ended when Milo sold a diner they owned behind Eddie's back, forcing him into retirement. Meanwhile, Bethany, left out of the game and still in the real world, goes to fellow Jumanji player Alex Vreeke for help. Apologizing for their predicament, Spencer agrees to help the group. Traveling to a forest beyond the desert, the group crosses a series of rope bridges, while being .attacked by a group of mandrills