

## Story 1: The Hunter and the loyal friend



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### The Story:

Once upon a time, there was a hunting man in my country. His job was like that of a gypsy; gypsies are known for eating meat every day. He went hunting every day and killed animals to eat. One day, he set a trap in the jungle. He made this trap every morning to catch whatever animal might come into it.

One day, as he was going home through the jungle, he encountered many friends: a bird, a deer, and a tortoise. They were very friendly and always together. One day, the deer ran away. The hunting man followed the deer's tracks. The deer's friends, the bird and the tortoise, were very worried and started thinking of a good idea to save their friend.

The tortoise suggested:

"Okay, you wait here and cut the track slowly because the tortoise is very slow. I will go and disturb the hunter at his home. When I get there, the bird will make a lot of noise to distract him."

The bird began making loud noises while the tortoise cut the track very slowly.

When the hunting man arrived home, he heard the bird making a terrible noise and thought it was a bad day. He waited for a while and then went back to the jungle to check his trap.

Again, he heard the bird making a loud noise and thought:



"This is not a good day."

The tortoise continued cutting the track very slowly, and eventually, the deer was freed. The deer went back into the jungle, but the hunting man saw no one. He was puzzled and thought the day was very bad. When he returned, he saw the tortoise was also gone.

The tortoise had managed to save the deer and was very tired. He could barely walk and had lost some teeth. Despite this, he was happy because he had saved his friend's life. The friends were reunited and they were feeling very happy. They talked and celebrated their safety.

The tortoise, exhausted, went back into the jungle to search for the deer, but he couldn't find it. Eventually, he returned, realizing that the deer had already left. The tortoise thought about how the bird's three loud calls had been a sign of a very bad day.

He remembered the advice of his grandmother: friends are important, and they help each other in times of trouble.

The friends were all grateful for each other and their lives. They lived happily ever after.

**Story Moral:** *The moral of the story is that true friendship is about helping and supporting each other in times of need. Despite their differences, the bird, deer, and tortoise work together to save their friend, showing that cooperation and selflessness can overcome challenges. True friends make sacrifices for one another, and even the smallest effort can make a big difference.*