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Grandfather's pot



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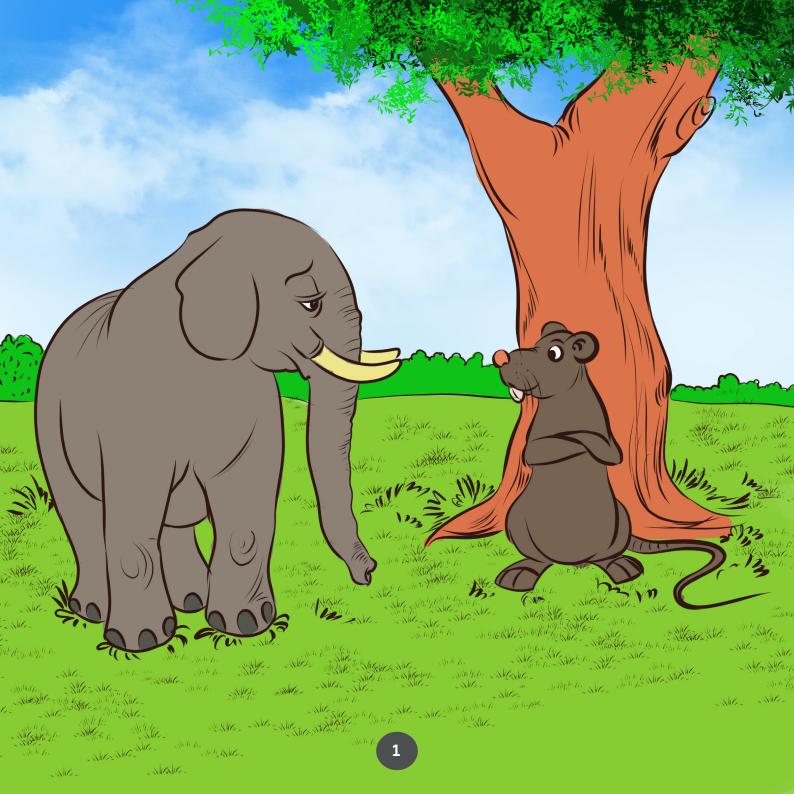
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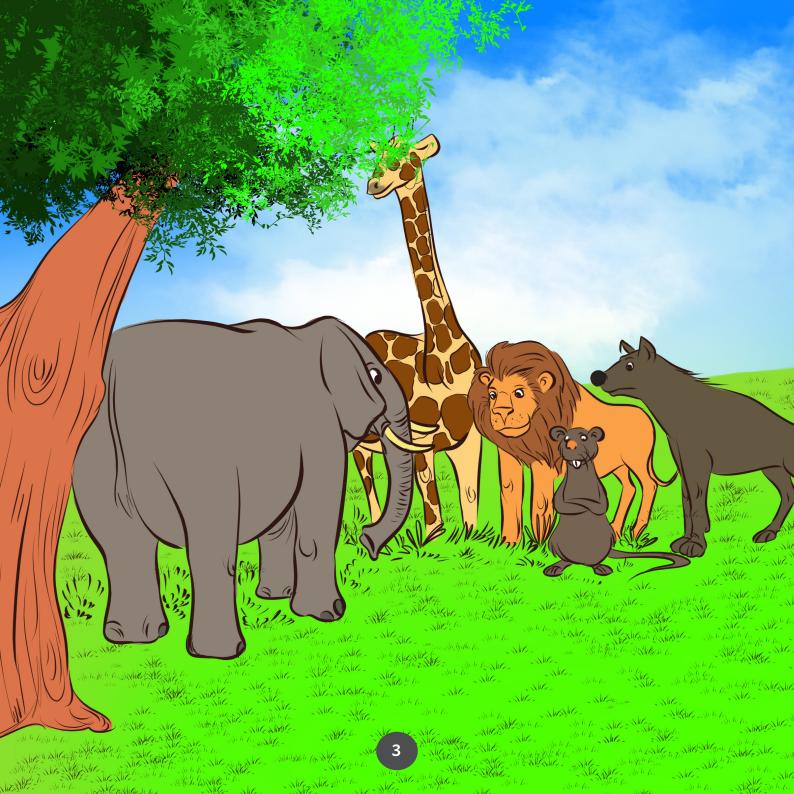




Rufigi the Mouse was a farmer. But thieves always stole from him.

One day, Rufigi asked the elephant, "What should I do? Everything I grow in the farm, thieves take it."

"Let us ask for help," said the elephant.



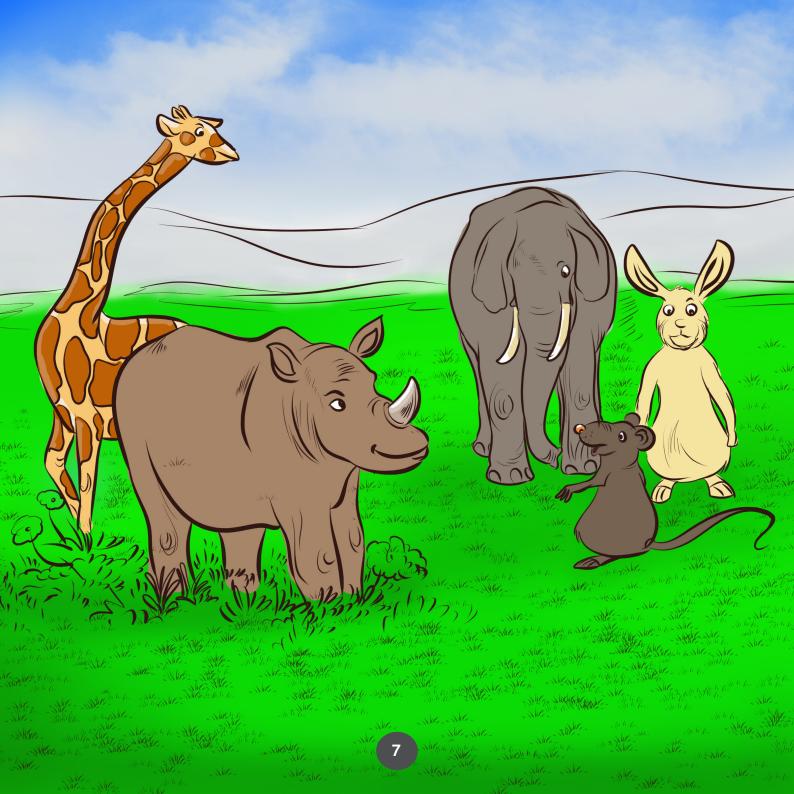
One day, the elephant called a meeting for all animals. The main agenda was about Rufigi's case.

The elephant explained to all the animals, "Someone is stealing food from Rufigi. Rufigi works hard. It is a shame to steal from our friend."



All animals kept quiet. "I am hungry while I grow crops in my farm every day," said Rufigi the Mouse.

"Do you see any thief here? Stop wasting our time," the hyena replied.



"But I..." Rufigi tried to talk. "Stop wasting our time," repeated the hippopotamus.

Bakame the Hare said, "You are hurting Rufigi the Mouse. I volunteer to help catch those thieves."



"Thank you for volunteering to help," said Rufigi the Mouse to Bakame the Hare.

"Thank me when we catch those thieves," replied Bakame.

"I trust in Bakame. He will catch those thieves," added the tortoise.



When Rufigi the Mouse returned to his farm, he found his pumpkins stolen again. "What am I going to do?" cried Rufigi the Mouse.

"Do not worry, my friend. It will not last," replied Bakame the Hare.



Bakame the Hare continued, "My Grandfather can help us."

"What are we waiting for? Let us go and see him," Rufigi told Bakame.



Bakame's grandfather welcomed them. "How may I help you my grandchildren?" asked Grandfather.

"We want you to help us catch thieves who steal our crops," replied Rufigi the mouse.

Grandfather gave them a pot that turns thieves into a rock.



"Finally, with this pot, we will catch the thieves," Rufigi the Mouse and Bakame the Hare went back home happily.



At home, they asked the elephant to keep the pot for them. "What does it do?" asked the elephant.

"It turns thieves into rocks," replied Bakame the Hare.

"I will keep this pot safely my friends," replied the elephant.



The next day, all the animals met.

"There is a new pot here. The pot will turn any thief into rock. I warn every thief in advance," said the elephant.

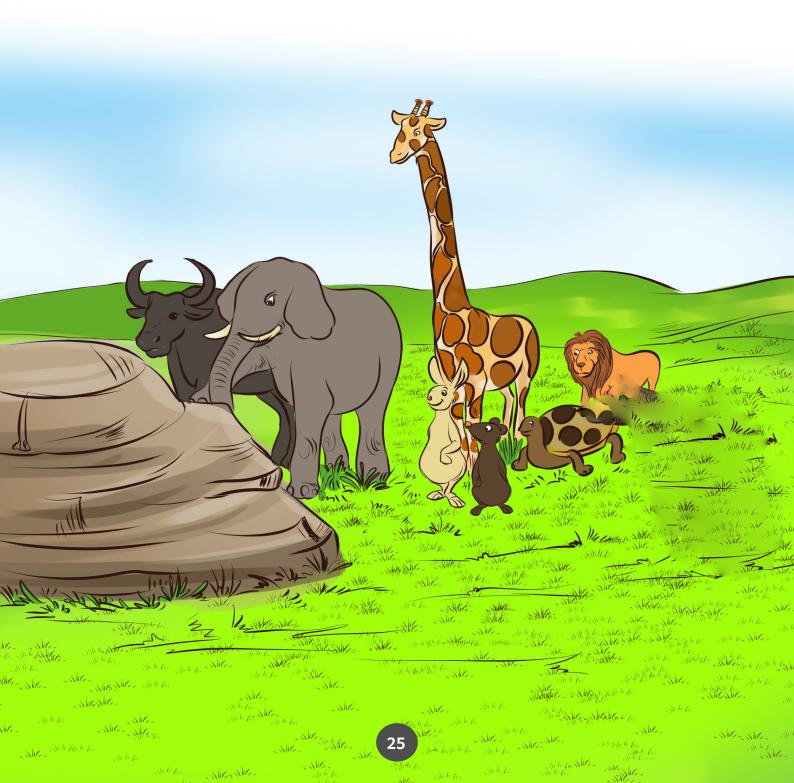
"The old pot I heard about? Hahaha. That is a joke," the hyena laughed.



"Anyone else missing anything?" asked the elephant.

The white-headed heron replied, "Someone stole my cooking pot too."

"Everyone spit in the pot. Only the thief will turn into rock," explained the elephant.



All the animals spat in the pot.

The hyena, seeing no one else turning into rock, said, "I knew this was fake."

But as soon as the hyena spat in the pot, he immediately turned into rock.

"Ahaaa! Your thief is caught," announced the elephant.

All the animals were amazed.



Since that day, Rufigi the Mouse grew his pumpkins in peace.

Once again, all the animals lived together harmoniously like before.

A story about the grandfather's pot that saved Rufigi the Mouse from thieves.



