

Very often we are very proud of all the things we have. Some of us are proud because we think that we are better looking or that we can run very fast.



Very often we tell others about how much better we are. This is also known as boasting. We may show off about our things, we may make others feel bad if we show off. We must not show off and boast.

The Rabbit And The Turtle

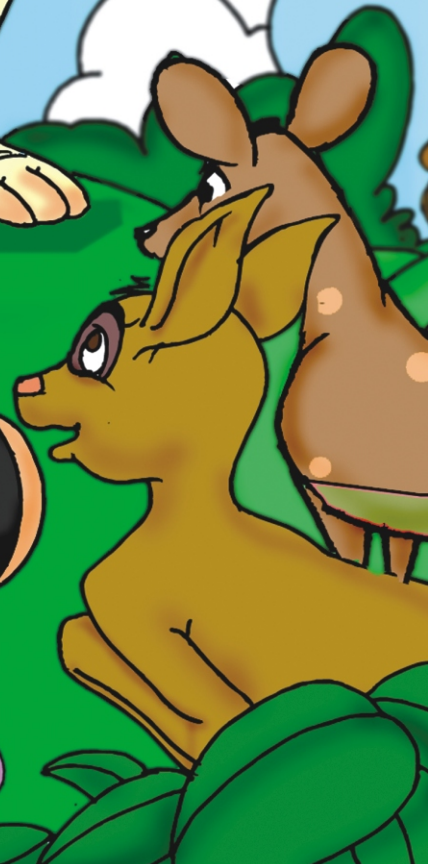


In a lovely green forest there lived a handsome rabbit. He was a show-off. He was proud of his good looks and nice nose.



Most of all he was proud that he was the fastest runner in the forest. He would boast about it often. The animals were very tired of his boasting.

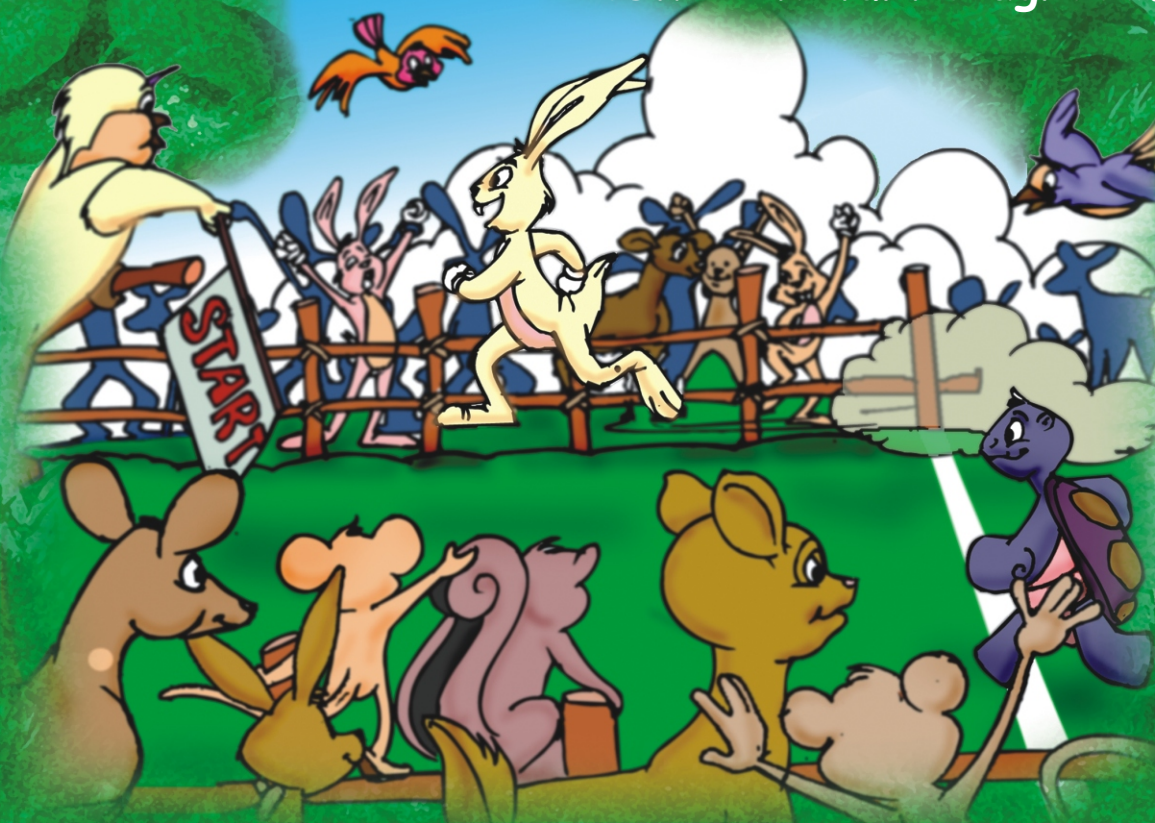
One day a turtle thought that he would teach the proud rabbit a lesson. So, he called a meeting and told everyone that he would race the rabbit and even defeat him.



The proud rabbit laughed. "Ho, Ho, Ho!" he laughed, "how can a slow creature like you defeat me? I am the fastest!"

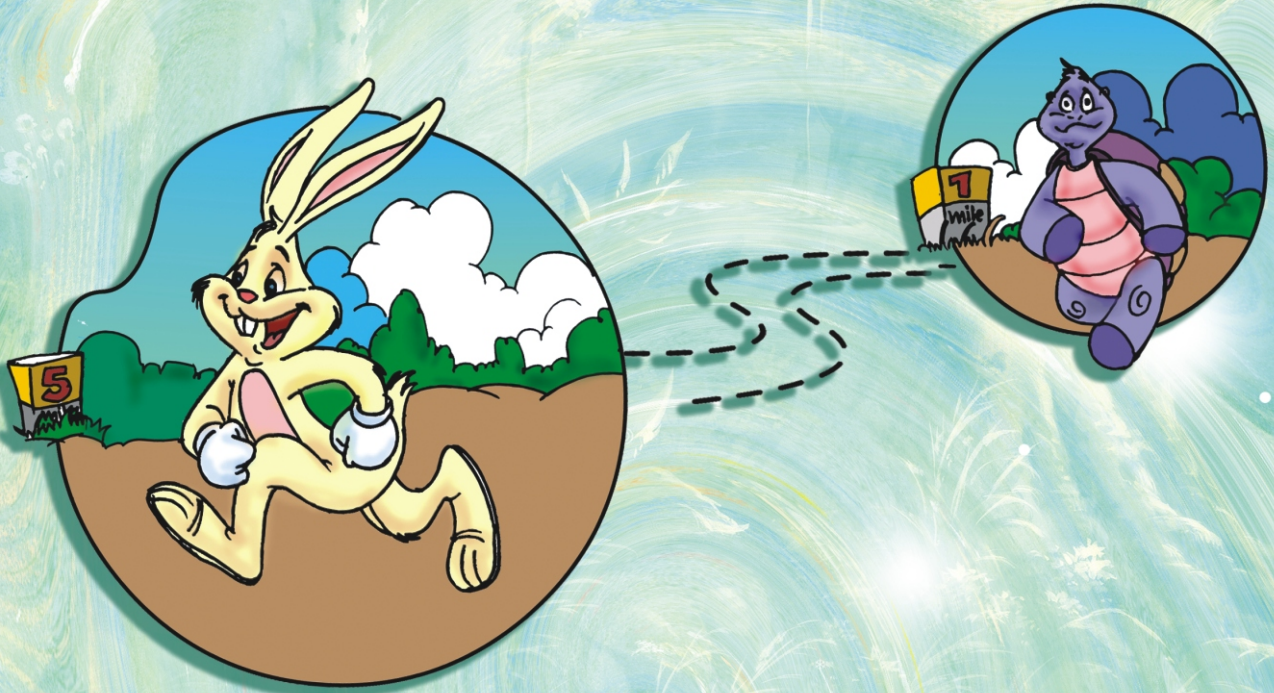


"Let's have the race right now and I will show that I'm the best!" The turtle agreed.



All the animals came to watch. The owl waved the starting flag and the two were off.

The rabbit ran fast, the turtle slowly went on.
Very soon the rabbit was near the finishing line.



He was a little tired so
he thought he would
sleep for a while, "Ah, all
this running has made me
sleepy. The slow turtle
will never catch up with
me," he said.



So he found a tree and fell asleep in its shade. He was sure that he would win the race even if he slept for a while, after all the turtle was much slower than him.



The turtle walked slowly, he came near the sleeping rabbit and went forward, and soon he crossed him.

The turtle crossed the finishing line and he WON!



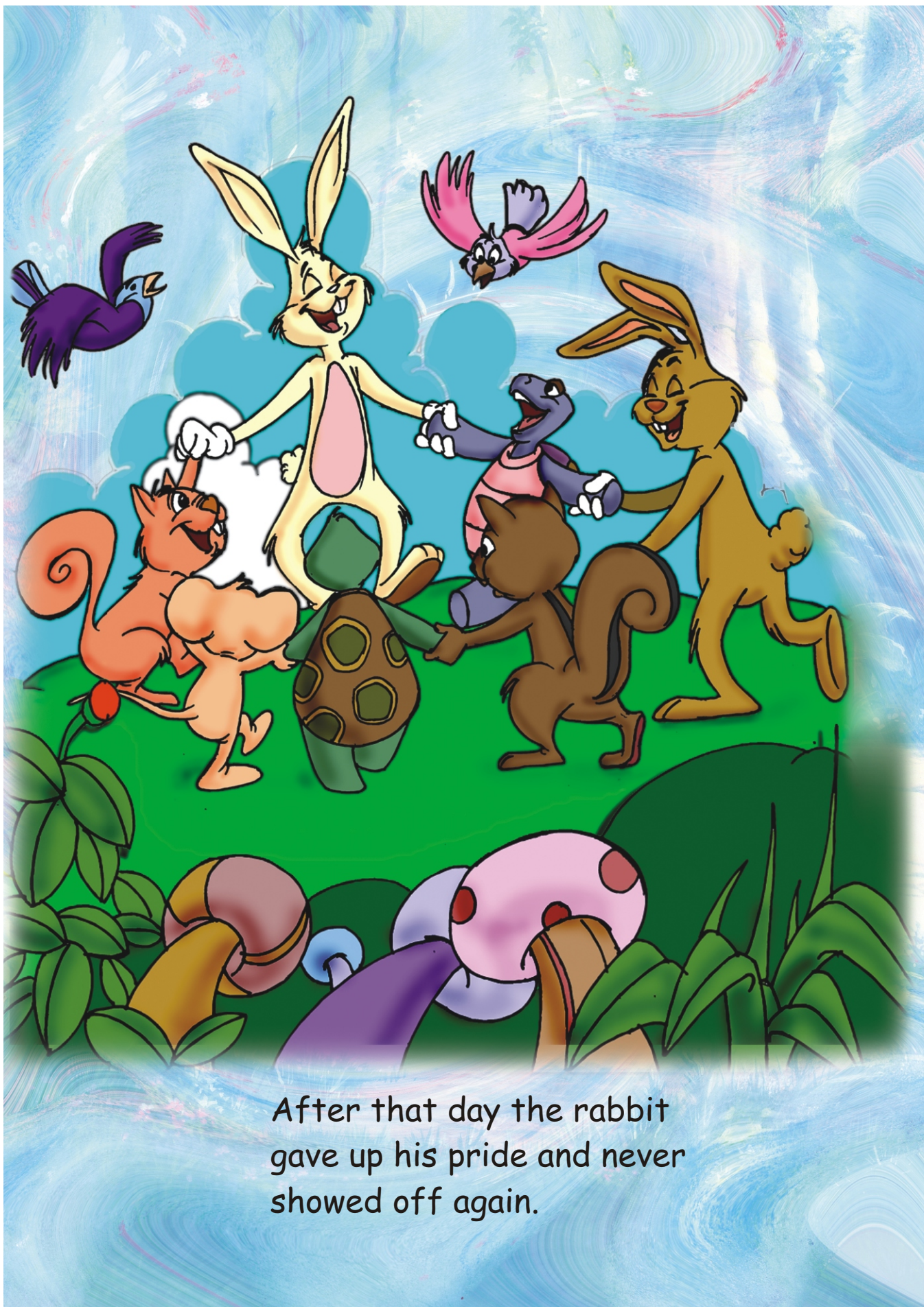
All the animals screamed and shouted,
"Hurrah for the turtle", they shouted!
They were glad that the rabbit has lost.

Hearing the noise the rabbit woke up! He rushed to finishing line only to learn that the slow turtle had defeated him.



The turtle told him that it was his pride that made him loose.





After that day the rabbit
gave up his pride and never
showed off again.