

Match the morals

Read these summaries of four different fables. Can you match each one to its moral?

The Dog and the Bone



A dog stole a juicy bone from a butcher and ran off, very pleased with himself. As he crossed over the bridge he looked down into the water and saw another dog with a big bone in his mouth. The dog wanted that bone too, so he growled at the other dog. The bone fell out of his mouth and he ended up with nothing. The other dog was only his reflection!

The moral of this fable is:

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The Fox and the Stork

A fox invited a stork over for dinner. He served the stork soup in a flat bowl. The stork could not manage to eat it with her long beak, so the fox finished it himself. This made the stork angry, so she invited the fox over to dinner. she served her soup in two long thin jars and the fox could not eat any of it.



The moral of this fable is:

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The Thirsty Crow

A crow searched for a drink of water everywhere. He found some in a heavy jug, but could not reach it as it was only at the bottom. He picked up a pebble and dropped it into the jug and the water rose up. He carried on doing this until the water was at the top and he could have a well-deserved drink.

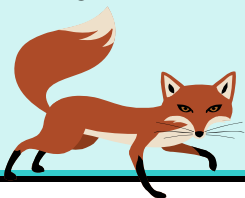


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The Fox and the Crow

A crow had stolen a lump of cheese. A fox passed by and decided he would like the cheese for himself. He praised the crow, telling her how beautiful she was. The crow believed him. Then he said he thought the crow would have a beautiful voice. When the crow opened her mouth to sing the cheese fell out and into the fox's mouth.



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Morals

- ★ If you try hard enough, you'll find the answer to your problem.
- ★ One bad turn deserves another.
- ★ Don't be fooled by flattery.
- ★ Be content with what you have.