

Panchatantra Stories - 8

The Fox and the Goat

Once upon a time there was a big deep well in a jungle. One fine day a fox came to the well to drink water. Now he was thinking how he could get the water from that well.

He saw a bucket hanging in the well to fetch the water. As he tried to fetch the water with the help of that bucket, he fell into the well. Now he got worried how he could get out of the well.



Suddenly he saw a goat coming to the well to drink water. The fox was very shrewd. He thought of a plan. The goat saw that bucket. As he moved towards the bucket to fetch the water, he saw the fox in the well.

The fox cleverly said to the goat, “My dear friend! You could get a little water with the help of that bucket. That would not be enough to quench your thirst.”

The fox continued, “So why don’t you jump into the well as I did and get a lot of water. The goat liked the idea and without giving it a thought he jumped into the well.”

As soon as the goat dropped into the well, the fox jumped on his back, took his support and jumped out of the well.

By the time the goat could understand everything, the fox came out of the well and the goat remained in the well. The fox laughed shrewdly.

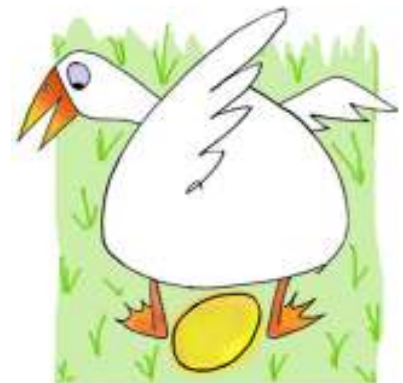
The goat was now regretting on his foolishness.

Moral: Think before you do something, otherwise you may have to repent afterwards.

The Goose with the Golden Eggs

There was once a Countryman who possessed the most wonderful Goose you can imagine, for every day when he visited the nest, the Goose had laid a beautiful, glittering, golden egg.

The Countryman took the eggs to market and soon began to get rich. But it was not long before he grew impatient with



the Goose because she gave him only a single golden egg a day. He was not getting rich fast enough.

Then one day, after he had finished counting his money, the idea came to him that he could get all the golden eggs at once by killing the Goose and cutting it open. But when the deed was done, not a single golden egg did he find, and his precious Goose was dead.

Moral: Too much greed results in nothing

Vishun Stotra:

**Shuklambharadharam Vishnum Shashivarnam Chaturbhujam,
Prasanna Vadanm Dhyayet Sarva Vignopa Shantaye**

Rama Mantra:

**Sri Rama Rama Rameti, Rame Rame Manorame
Sahasranama tattulyam, Rama Nama Varanane**

Durga Stotra:

**Om Sarva Mangala Maangalye Shive Sarvaartha Saadhike
Sharanye Triyambake Gauri, Naaraayani Namostute**

Ganesh Sloka:

**Vakra Tunda Mahaa Kaaya
Suryakoti Samaprabha
Nirvighnam Kurume Deva
Sarvakaaryeshu Sarvadaa**

Guru Stotra

**Gurur Brahmaa Gurur Vishnu
Gurur Devo Maheshwarah
Guruh Saakshaat Parabrahma
Tasmai Shree Gurave Namah**

Saraswati Stotra

***Saraswathi Namasthubyam
Varade Kamaroopini***

*Vidyarambham Karishyami
Siddhir Bhavatum Sada*

Hanuman Mantra:

**Manojavam Maarutatulyavegam
Jitendriyam Buddhimataam Varistham
Vaataatmajam Vaanarayoothamukhyam
Sriramadootam Sirasa Namami**

Morning Prayers:

**Karaagre Vasate Lakshmi
Kara Madhye Saraswathi
Kara Moole Sthita Gauri
Prabahate Kara Darshanam**

**Gange cha Yamune chaiva Godavari Saraswati,
Narmade Sindhu Kaveri jalesmin sannidhim kuru**

Hayagreeva Stotram:

*jnAnAnandamayam devam
nirmala sphatikAkrutim
AdhAram sarva vidyAnAm
hayagrivam upAsmahe*

Coloring Exercise:

