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Hello again after the long Whitsun holiday - back again at school or working at home. Time is running and the end of this strange school year isn´t far away - so keep on going with the last works you have to do.

THE TIGER, THE HARE, AND THE JACKAL

Once upon a time, a tiger was caught in a trap. He tried to get out through the bars, but they were too narrow. As he was pushing at them and the door, a hare ( this is the name for a rabbit living in the field ) hopped by. ` Let me out of this cage!` said the tiger. `No, my friend,` replied the hare, ` you would probably eat me if I did.` `Not at all!` answered the tiger. `I would be your friend for ever!` The tiger sobbed and sighed and cried and begged, so in the end the hare opened the door of the cage. Out popped the tiger, and he grabbed the poor hare, saying, `What a fool you are. After being in the cage for so long I am terribly hungry!` `Oh please don´t eat me! said the hare. `You promised! Besides I rescued you. You can´t eat someone who rescues you!` `Yes, I can,` said the tiger. `Now get ready to be eaten.` Just then a jackal came along. He called out, `What´s the matter, Mr Hare? ` You look as miserable as a fish out of water!` The poor hare told the jackal what had happened. Now the jackal was really very clever. But when he needed he pretended to be stupid, and he did that now in this situation. `Would you mind telling me again? Everything is a bit mixed up in my head.`

The tiger told the story again. But the jackal shook his head, as though he still could not understand. `It´s very odd,` he said sadly, ` but it all seems to go in one ear and come out of the other!` `It´s quite simple,` said the tiger. ` Why can´t you understand?` `Oh, my poor head!´ cried the jackal, wringing his paws. ` Let me see! How did it begin? The hare was in the cage, and then the tiger came walking by --` `No!` interrupted the tiger. `What a fool you are!` If you can´t understand better than that, I´ll have to eat you too. It was me -- in the cage!` `Of course!` cried the jackal, pretending to tremble with fright. `Yes! I was in the cage - no, I wasn´t. Dear, dear! What was it? Let me see. The tiger was in the hare, and the cage came walking by? No, that´s not it, either. Well, don´t mind me, but begin your dinner, for I shall never understand!` `Yes, you shall understand!` returned the tiger, who was now very cross at how stupid the jackal was. `I will make you understand! Look here. I am the tiger--` `Yes!` said the jackal. `And that is the hare --` `Yes!` `And that is the cage --` `Yes!` `And I was in the cage. Do you understand?` said the tiger. `Yes! No. Please ---` `Well?` cried the tiger impatiently. `Please how did you get in?` `How? In the usual way, of course,` said the tiger. `Oh, dear! My head is beginning to whirl!` said the jackal. `Please don´t be angry, but what is the usual way?`

At this the tiger lost his patience. Jumping into the cage, he cried, `This way! This is how I got into the cage. Now do you understand?` The jackal quickly slammed the door shut and locked it. `Perfectly! `he cried, grinning with delight at his clever trick. `And I think you can just stay right there.` `Now, Mr Hare` the jackal continued, `let´s leave this tiger in his cage and go for a walk. We must tell everyone in the jungle not to let him out again.`

And with that, the hare and the jackal walked off. The tiger was back where he began, furious at having been tricked. All he could do was roar angrily after them.

I hope you liked this tricky story the same as me.

IT´S EASIER TO FIND A WAY OUT IF YOU ARE BRAINY AND DON´T SHOUT!

Maybe this slogan can help you in many situations - just try it out!

Have a wonderful week - stay healthy and fit - that´s it !

 Yours Lacho ☺