

2-SHARING AND CARING



There were two friends in a forest, a mango tree and a banyan tree. They talked to each other and enjoyed all day long. Every night lions and tigers used to sleep under them. The mango tree used to hate animals. "I will drive them away, they roar loudly,

and smell bad," he said. The banyan tree said, "Don't be so rude. We trees and animals need each other. We must live in harmony and help each other."



The mango tree was rigid. He was not ready to listen to him. That night when the animals were sleeping under the tree, the mango tree shook its branches and made loud noises. The animals thought it was a demon and ran away. The mango tree laughed and felt happy.

The next evening two woodcutters came to the forest. They had axes in their hands. They saw the big mango tree and became very

happy. One of the woodcutters said, "Friend, look what a big tree it is!" The other said, "Yes, and there is no one here, neither man nor wild animals. So, let's cut the tree down."



They began to cut the tree. The mango tree cried out in pain. Seeing the condition of his friend the banyan tree cried out for help, "Help! Help!" His voice was heard by the wild animals. They rushed towards the banyan tree. When the woodcutters saw the wild animals, they ran as fast as they could leaving their axes behind.

Tears rolled down from the eyes of the mango tree. He said, "You were right my dear friend. We need each other to be happy and safe." The wild animals moved near the mango tree and said, "It's only through caring and sharing, friendship is born."

"I told you, we need animals and they need us. If we do not help each other, we may fall in trouble," said the banyan tree.

Don't cut trees! Save trees! Plant trees!

New Words / Phrases

Word	Pronunciation	Meaning
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All day long -	आल डे लॉन्ग	-दिन भर
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Drive away -	ड्राइव अवे	- भगाना
Rude -	रुड	- अपशिष्ट
harmony -	हार्मोनी	- तालमेल
demon -	डीमोन	- राक्षस
rolled down -	रोल्ल्ड डाउन	- लुढकाना

Comprehension Questions

1. Answer the following questions:

- What did the mango tree and the banyan tree do all day long?
- Why did the mango tree want to drive the animals away?
- What advice did the banyan tree give to the mango tree?
- What happened when the banyan tree cried loudly?
- What lesson do you learn from this story?

2. Mark tick (a) for the correct and cross (×) for the incorrect statements:

- The banyan tree wanted to drive the animals away.
- There was a demon in the mango tree.
- Two farmers came to the forest.

d. Trees and animals need each other.

Word Power

1. Choose the words from the box which mean the same, one is done for you :

sharing, caring, harmony, trouble, rushed

a. situation causing problem trouble

b. living together in a friendly manner _____

c. anything done in a hurry _____

d. showing kindness to others _____

e. dividing something between two or more people _____

Language Practice

1. **Frame questions and their answers with the help of the table given below :**

Was		duster		Yes, it was. No, it wasn't.
Were	the	glass	On the table?	Yes, they were. No, they weren't.
		books		
		pens		

Let's Read

» *Read the poem and follow it in your life :*

Three things in life that

Once gone, never come back:

Time, words and opportunity.

Three things in life that

May never be lost:

Peace, hope and honesty.

Three things in life that

Are most valuable:

Love, self-confidence and friends.