

# The talkative Tortoise

## Group 3

The tortoise heard this and wanted to say, “I am a tortoise! I’m flying!” He opened his mouth to say it and fell to the ground. “It’s a dead tortoise!” said the king. “ Why did it fall from the sky?”

The wise man answered, “This talkative tortoise couldn’t hold onto the stick because he couldn’t keep his mouth shut. Great king, this shows us how bad it is to talk too much.” The king said, “I understand you, my friend,” and after that he became a wiser and less talkative king.

### Activity 1. Match these adjectives with people and animals

talkative   wise   kind   excited   young   surprised   good   silly

The tortoise	The birds	The king	The king's friends

### Activity 2. Choose the correct answer

- The story is ...
  - ☐ instructive;
  - ☐ true;
  - ☐ about the zoo.
- The king’s problem was that he was...
  - ☐ not good;
  - ☐ too talkative;
  - ☐ very wise.
- The birds asked the tortoise to...

- Activity 3. Solve the puzzles and find the secret words**

