

Elephant and His Friends

One day an elephant wandered into a forest in search of friends. He saw a monkey on a tree. "Will you be my friend?" asked the elephant.

"You are too big. You cannot swing from trees like me," replied the arrogant monkey.

Next, the elephant met a rabbit. He asked him to be his friend.

But the shy rabbit said, "You are too big to play in my burrow!"

Then the elephant met a frog.

"Will you be my friend? He asked.

"How can I?" asked the disgruntled frog.

'You are too big to leap about like me."

He met a fox next.

"Will you be my friend?" he asked the fox.

The sly fox said, "Sorry, sir, you are too big. You can't run as fast as I can."

The elephant was upset and felt heartbroken.



The next day, the elephant saw all the animals in the forest running for their lives.

The elephant asked them what the matter was.

The great bear replied, "There is a tiger in the forest. He's trying to gobble us all up!"

The animals all ran away to hide.

The elephant wondered what he could do to save everyone in the forest.

Meanwhile, the tiger kept eating up whoever he could find.

The elephant walked up to the tiger and said, "Please, Mr. Tiger, do not eat up these poor animals."

"Mind your own business!" growled the ferocious tiger.

The elephant had no choice but to give the tiger a hefty kick.

The frightened tiger ran for his life.

The elephant went back into the forest to announce the good news to everyone.

All the animals thanked the elephant.

They said, "You are very brave and just the right size to be our friend."

