

The Man, The Boy, and The Donkey

Once upon a time, a man and son were going to the market with donkey. As were walking along the road, two men saw. One of the men said, “are so stupid! have a donkey, but no one is riding.”

When the man heard, told boy to ride on the donkey. And then continued down the road. But soon passed a group of men. The men said, “That boy is so lazy. is riding while poor old father has to walk.”

When the man heard, told boy to get off of the donkey, and got on the donkey. And then continued down the road again. But hadn’t gone far when passed two women. The woman said, “That man is so lazy. Look, is riding while his poor young son has to walk.”

When the man heard, didn’t know what to do. thought for a while, and then told son to come up onto the donkey with. So the two of were riding the donkey together.

A little while later, passed some more people. Someone said. “Look at! The poor donkey must be so tired. has to carry two people at the same time!”

So, the man and boy both got off the donkey, and tried to think what to do next. thought, and thought, until at last decided to carry the donkey. took a large pole, and tied the donkey’s feet to the pole, and raised the pole up to shoulders, and carried the donkey along.

By this time, had come into town. The townspeople saw carrying the donkey, and thought was the funniest thing had ever seen. laughed and laughed.

The man and the boy walked along, hearing the laughter from all the people met. At last, came to the bridge over the river. At this point, the donkey was tired of being carried, and kicked legs to try to get loose. caused the boy and his father to drop the pole, and the donkey fell into the river and drowned.

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Part 1

Once upon a time, a man and _____ son were going to the market with _____ donkey. As _____ were walking along the road, two men saw _____. One of the men said, “_____ are so stupid! _____ have a donkey, but no one is riding _____.”

When the man heard _____, _____ told _____ boy to ride on the donkey. And then _____ continued down the road. But soon _____ passed a group of men. The men said, “That boy is so lazy. _____ is riding while _____ poor old father has to walk.”

When the man heard _____, _____ told _____ boy to get off of the donkey, and _____ got on the donkey _____. And then _____ continued down the road again. But _____ hadn’t gone far when _____ passed two women. The woman said, “That man is so lazy. Look, _____ is riding while his poor young son has to walk.”

When the man heard _____, _____ didn’t know what to do. _____ thought for a while, and then _____ told _____ son to come up onto the donkey with _____. So the two of _____ were riding the donkey together.

Part 2

A little while later, _____ passed some more people. Someone said, “Look at _____! The poor donkey must be so tired. _____ has to carry two people at the same time!”

So, the man and _____ boy both got off the donkey, and _____ tried to think what to do next. _____ thought, and _____ thought, until at last _____ decided to carry the donkey. _____ took a large pole, and tied the donkey’s feet to the pole, and raised the pole up to _____ shoulders, and carried the donkey along.

By this time, _____ had come into town. The townspeople saw _____ carrying the donkey, and _____ thought _____ was the funniest thing _____ had ever seen. _____ laughed and laughed.

The man and the boy walked along, hearing the laughter from all the people _____ met _____. At last, _____ came to the bridge over the river. At this point, the donkey was tired of being carried, and _____ kicked _____ legs to try to get loose. _____ caused the boy and his father to drop the pole, and the donkey fell into the river and drowned.

“_____ will teach _____ a lesson,” said an old man _____ had followed _____. “If _____ try to make everyone happy, no one will be happy.”

Answers

Once upon a time, a man and his¹ son were going to the market with their² donkey. As they³ were walking along the road, two men saw them⁴. One of the men said, “They⁵ are so stupid! They⁶ have a donkey, but no one is riding it⁷.”

When the man heard this⁸, he⁹ told his¹⁰ boy to ride on the donkey. And then they¹¹ continued down the road. But soon they¹² passed a group of men. The men said, “That boy is so lazy. He¹³ is riding while his¹⁴ poor old father has to walk.”

When the man heard this¹⁵, he¹⁶ told his¹⁷ boy to get off of the donkey, and he¹⁸ got on the donkey himself¹⁹. And then they²⁰ continued down the road again. But they²¹ hadn’t gone far when they²² passed two women. The woman said, “That man is so lazy. Look, he²³ is riding while his poor young son has to walk.”

When the man heard this²⁴, he²⁵ didn’t know what to do. He²⁶ thought for a while, and then he²⁷ told his²⁸ son to come up onto the donkey with him²⁹. So the two of them³⁰ were riding the donkey together.

A little while later, they³¹ passed some more people. Someone said, “Look at that³²! The poor donkey must be so tired. It³³ has to carry two people at the same time!”

So, the man and his³⁴ boy both got off the donkey, and they³⁵ tried to think what to do next. They³⁶ thought, and they³⁷ thought, until at last they³⁸ decided to carry the donkey. They³⁹ took a large pole, and tied the donkey’s feet to the pole, and raised the pole up to their⁴⁰ shoulders, and carried the donkey along.

By this time, they⁴¹ had come into town. The townspeople saw them⁴² carrying the donkey, and they⁴³ thought it⁴⁴ was the funniest thing they⁴⁵ had ever seen. They⁴⁶ laughed and laughed.

The man and the boy walked along, hearing the laughter from all the people who⁴⁷ met them⁴⁸. At last, they⁴⁹ came to the bridge over the river. At this point, the donkey was tired of being carried, and it⁵⁰ kicked its⁵¹ legs to try to get loose. This⁵² caused the boy and his father to drop the pole, and the donkey fell into the river and drowned.

“That⁵³ will teach you⁵⁴ a lesson,” said an old man who⁵⁵ had followed them⁵⁶. “If you⁵⁷ try to make everyone happy, no one will be happy.”