

Lying Rabbit

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In an animal village inside the jungle lived Rabbit, Snake, and other animals. Rabbit was fond of tricking the other animals while Snake loved stealing.

One night, some of the animals were playing a game. Without their knowledge, Snake went inside the village. Rabbit, who was trying to trick Monkey, saw him. Rabbit shouted, “There is Snake!” But the animals did not believe him because he always tricked them. Frog said, “Oh, there he goes again. Tsk...tsk...tsk” “Don’t believe him. He is tricking us again,” Chameleon said. The animals continued playing and ignored Rabbit who kept on shouting.

Lion who was passing by saw Snake. Lion roared, “Look! There is Snake! He is trying to steal the chickens.” All the animals ran to where Lion was and saw Snake trying to escape. Now the animals knew that Snake was there. They caught Snake and threw him outside of the village. They said, “Don’t come back to the village anymore. If you do, we will kill you!”

Rabbit was sad that the other animals did not believe him. He decided to leave the village.

The moral of the story is “Trust is hard to regain once it is broken.”