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Description: Bleek notes: The original, in the Hottentot language, is in Sir Gr. Grey's Library, Gr. Kronlein's Manuscript, p. 16. From the glossary to [Metelerkamp's South African folktales](#): "Awa-skin, skin slung across the back to carry babies in."

Why Has the Jackal a Long Black Stripe on his Back?

The Sun, it is said, was one day on earth, and the men who were travelling saw him sitting by the way-side, but passed him without notice.

The Jackal, however, who came after them, and saw him also sitting, went to him and said, "Such a fine little child is left behind by the men."

He then took the Sun up, and put it into his awa-skin on his back. When it burnt him, he said, "Get down," and shook himself, but the Sun stuck fast to his back, and burnt the Jackal's back black from that day.