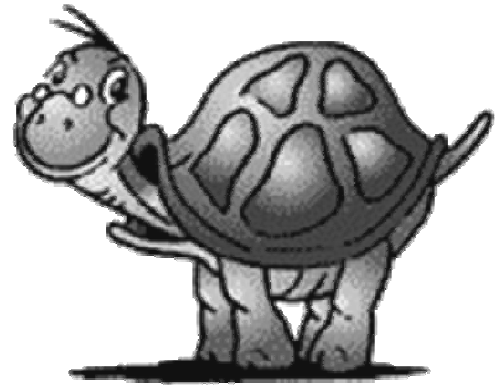


How Tortoise got his Shell

Once upon a time the birds
did not know how to fly.

But one day, a blue bird
discovered that if he flapped
his wings, he could fly.

He soared high above the trees.



1. What did the blue bird discover?

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How to fly.

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How to catch
worms.

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How to lay eggs.

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How to make a nest.

2. Where did the blue bird fly?

First, he told tiger, but tiger just roared. Next he told
elephant but elephant just blew his trumpet! After that he
told giraffe but giraffe just laughed!

Finally, he told his friend tortoise who said,
“I believe you blue bird!”

3. Who did blue bird tell first?

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Elephant

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Giraffe

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Tiger

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Tortoise

4. What did tortoise say?

So, the two friends decided to climb to the top of the mountain to show the other birds how to fly. So they climbed and they climbed and they climbed. Eventually, they reached the top of the mountain.

5. What did blue bird and tortoise climb?

A hill.

Stairs

A mountain.

A ladder.

First, blue bird jumped off the top and spread his wings so that he soared high above the clouds. All the birds cheered noisily!

6. What did blue bird do?

He jumped off the top of the mountain.

He ran away.

He squawked.

He cheered noisily.

7. Who cheered noisily?

Then, silly old tortoise decided to help his friend so he too jumped off the top of the mountain. At that moment, he realised that he did not have any wings. He tumbled down and down and down...until he smashed on the rocks below.

8. Why did tortoise tumble down the mountain.

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Because he did not flap his wings.

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Because he was too heavy.

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Because he tripped over.

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Because he did not have any wings.

9. Where did tortoise land?

Immediately, blue bird and his friends swooped down to help put tortoise back together again.

10. Who helped put tortoise back together?

And so it is to this very day that you can still see where all the birds of the air put tortoise's shell back together again, piece by piece.

12. Do you think this story is true?

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Yes

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No

13. Why? Give two reasons.

Draw your favourite part of the story.