

Fables Guide

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The Bear and the Fox

Friendship and Grace

When two friends fail each other in different ways, neither sees the whole story at first.

The Bee and the Flowers

Appreciation and Belonging

A hardworking bee keeps giving more and more, yet somehow it is never enough for the flowers around him.

The Boat

Small Problems and Big Consequences

A fisherman notices a crack in the boat and decides there is still time to deal with it later.

The Bridge

Following the Crowd

A group of goats crosses the same aging bridge every day, trusting it because everyone else does.

The Brooch

Temptation and Delay

A struggling baker finds a lost brooch and keeps putting off a decision he knows he should make.

The Cedar

Finding Good in Misfortune

Where others see a fallen branch, an old man sees the beginning of something else.

The Chase

Finding Your Own People

A leopard raised among jaguars learns that matching the group comes with a cost.

The Crack

Trying to Fit In

A crow joins a flock of songbirds and spends his days trying to sound like them.

The Crooked Sunflower

Finding Your Own Way

Growing beside a fence, a sunflower follows a path that makes little sense to the flowers around her.

The Fall

Lessons Unlearned

A single fall leaves a lasting lesson—but lessons are not always remembered.

The Falling Ears

Self-Acceptance and Belonging

A rabbit spends years trying to hold her ears upright like everyone else's, no matter the cost.

The Far Shore

Aging and Contentment

An aging heron who once ranged across the entire valley finds the far shore getting out of reach. But slowly, he begins to notice something else.

The Feeder

Conditional Belonging

Eight birds gather faithfully at the same feeder every morning, and it begins to feel like something more.

The Flock

Finding Where You Belong

Growing up among ducklings, a young bird works twice as hard to keep up.

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The Fox and the River

Kindness and Misunderstanding

After risking his life to help another animal, a fox discovers that good deeds can take on a life of their own.

The Fox in the Pit

Resilience and Self-Reliance

Trapped in a pit and waiting for help that never comes, a fox must decide what to do next.

The Hidden Breakfast

Seeing Value Differently

A young goldfinch cannot understand why the flock visits the same tired-looking sunflowers every morning.

The House

Blame and Silence

In one house, responsibility always seems to fall on the same person whenever something goes wrong.

The Last Seeds

Life's Later Gifts

As autumn settles over the garden, a sunflower begins to wonder what remains after the petals are gone.

The Late Bloomer

Trusting Your Timing

While every flower around her blooms, one sunflower continues growing and waits for her season to arrive.

The Lemon Giver

Forgotten Gratitude

A lemonade shop flourishes with help from a loyal customer, but over time something important begins to disappear.

The Line

The Cost of Small Exceptions

When one man decides the rules do not apply to him, a long-standing routine begins to change.

The Lock

Mindless Effort

Several people try to fix a stubborn lock, but each sees something different when they look at the door.

The Middle Fish

Independent Thinking

A fish has always followed the school—until one small moment changes everything.

The Mirror

Self-Deception

A man acquires a mirror that always tells him exactly what he wants to hear.

The Missing Birds

Hidden Abundance

When the birds suddenly stop visiting the feeder, a gardener sets out to discover why.

The Most Loved Sunflower

Contribution and Purpose

Two sunflowers grow on opposite sides of a fence, each wondering what it means to live a good life.

The Moth and the Lantern

Looking Beyond the Familiar

For as long as it can remember, a moth has circled the same lantern every night.

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The Nest

Giving Too Much and Self-Care

A talented bird spends so much time building nests for others that she never gets around to building her own.

The Owl and the Squirrel

Different Perspectives

Convinced their way of life is better, an owl and a squirrel decide to spend a day in each other's world.

The Pear Tree

Purpose Beyond Productivity

After years of abundance, an old pear tree can no longer bear fruit, and the garden begins to see it differently.

The Promise

Commitment and Change

Two best friends make a promise to each other, but time has plans of its own.

The Rabbit and the Fox

Overgiving and Self-Worth

A rabbit devotes herself to helping a struggling fox and slowly notices something missing from her own life.

The Sandwich

Misleading by Example

A teacher's words and actions seem perfectly consistent—until a student starts paying close attention.

The Scale

Small Dishonesty

A market seller develops a small habit that no one questions—until someone is watching closely.

The Smallest Seedling

Growing Through Uncertainty

When seedlings begin disappearing from the garden, one small sunflower chooses where to place her attention.

The Squirrel and the Nuts

Generosity and Boundaries

A generous squirrel shares his best nuts with everyone around him until winter finally arrives.

The Third Pig

Conditional Acceptance

Three pigs return home with gifts for their parents, but one receives a very different response than he expected.

The Tree

Exploitation and Depletion

An apple tree provides more than enough for everyone—until the demands placed upon it begin to change the tree itself.

The Turtle and the Lanterns

Quiet Contributions

When brighter lights arrive in the village, an old turtle continues a nightly task that fewer and fewer animals seem to notice.

The Turtle and the Road

Self-Acceptance and Peace

A turtle spends so much time explaining himself to others that he begins to lose sight of his own journey.

The Two Farmers

Trust and Discernment

Two farmers share the same painful experience, yet draw very different lessons from it.

The Whistle

Being Yourself

When a crowded market falls silent, a parrot discovers a sound that belongs to no one but itself.

The Winter Lion

Growing Older with Grace

As age slowly changes his strength, an old lion struggles to understand what remains of the life he once knew.