

A Friend in Need is a Friend Indeed

There were two friends. They lived in a certain village. They were very intimate with each other. One day the two friends were passing through a jungle. They promised that they would help each other at the time of danger. Suddenly, they saw a bear coming towards them. Both of them got afraid. One of them knew how to climb up a tree. He climbed up a nearby tree without thinking about his friend. The other was fatty and did not know how to climb up a tree. But he knew that a bear does not touch a dead body. So he fell flat on the ground like a dead person and stopped breathing. The bear came near him, smelt him all over the body and thought him to be a dead man. So, without touching him, it went away slowly and gently. The friend who was on the tree saw everything. He got down from the tree, went to his friend and asked him eagerly, "Oh! Dear, what did the bear whisper to your ear?" In reply, the friend said, "The bear advised me not to trust a friend who leaves his friend alone in the time of danger."