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Strong and Weak

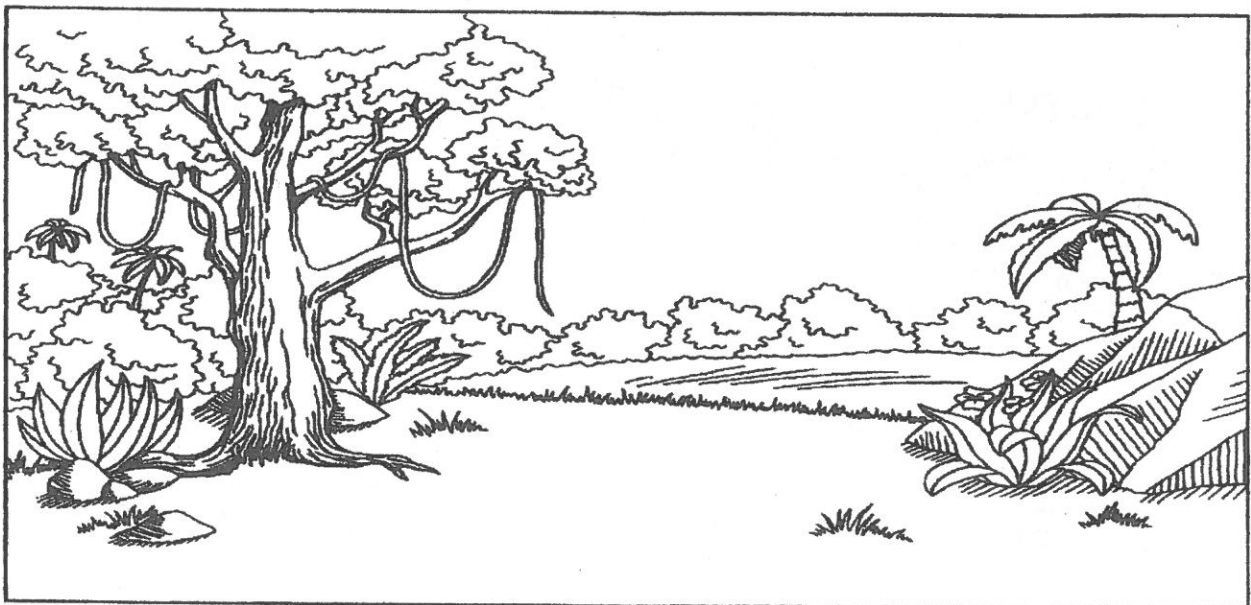
There was a proud teak tree in the forest. He was tall and strong. There was a small herb next to the tree. The teak tree said, "I am very handsome and strong. No one can defeat me." Hearing this, the herb replied, "Dear friend! Pride is harmful. Even the strong will fall one day." The teak ignored the herb's words. He continued to praise himself.

A strong wind blew. The teak stood firmly. Even when it rained, the teak stood strong by spreading its leaves. During these times, the herb bowed low. The teak made fun of the herb.

One day, there was a storm in the forest. The herb bowed low. As usual, the teak did not want to bow. The storm kept growing stronger. The teak could no longer bear it. He felt his strength giving way. He tried his best to stand upright but in the end he fell down. That was the end of the proud tree.

When everything was calm again, the herb stood straight. He looked around. He saw that the proud teak had fallen.

Moral: Pride makes one fall.



NEVER GIVE UP

Leena was very good in sports. She was a fast runner. But Sara was faster than her. One day, Leena came home from school looking very sad.

“What happened?” her mother asked her.

“I’m not taking part in the race tomorrow. I’m sure I will not win this time. It is no use in trying.” said Leena. Her mother did not say anything. She left the room and went into the kitchen to get the tea ready.

Leena was lying down on the bed looking up at the ceiling. She saw a spider in a corner. It was trying to weave a web with its little body. Leena was watching the spider. Each time it moved upward it fell back. Yet it kept trying and trying for a long time. It did not give up. Finally the web was ready.

Leena said to herself, “If this little spider did not give up, why should I?”

She ran quickly to her mother and said, “Mummy! I’m not giving up. I will take part in the race tomorrow.”

The next day Leena came first in the race.

Moral: If we try, we will succeed.

