The Apple Tree That Kept Giving

A FatesFables Story

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Meet the friends of Whispering Wood



Tilly · Dash · Pip · Bruno · Kiki · Grandma Hoot



One sunny morning in Whispering Wood, Kiki the Crow found something wonderful at the edge of the meadow.



“Ooh, everyone, come quick! An apple tree! The apples are so red and shiny!” said Kiki.



“Mmm! Apples are Bruno's favourite! Let's have a picnic!” said Bruno.



The friends picked a few ripe apples each, and sat in the shade to eat them. Crunch, crunch, crunch. They were delicious!



“These are the best apples ever! I want ALL of them. Right now! I'll shake the whole tree!” said Dash.



“But Dash, some of them are still green. And look at all the little flowers. They'll be apples next week!” said Pip.



“Next week is too long! Ready, set, SHAKE!” said Dash.



Down came the red apples. Down came the green apples. Down came the leaves, and down came all the little flowers too.



“Oh, Dash. That's far too many apples for us to eat. And now that side of the tree has no flowers left,” said Tilly.



“Hmm, let Bruno think about that. The green ones are too sour. Bleh!” said Bruno.



So the friends shared the ripe apples with the squirrels and the hedgehogs. But the green ones went brown and soft in the grass.



A week later, the friends came back to the apple tree.



On the side Dash shook, there wasn't a single apple. But on the other side, the little flowers had grown into brand new apples, red and round!



“Oh no. I shook my side too hard. Now it has nothing to give us,” said Dash.



“Gather round, little ones. A tree gives a little every week, if we let it grow. Take only what you need, and leave the rest to grow,” said Grandma Hoot.



“I'm sorry, tree. From now on, I'll only take the red ones. And I'll never shake you again,” said Dash.



And so, every week, the friends picked a few ripe apples. And every week, the tree had more to give.



“Remember, little ones. Take a little, and there's enough forever,” said Grandma Hoot.

The End

Take a little, and there's enough forever.

Let’s talk about it

Why was Dash's side of the tree empty?

How did the friends pick apples after that?

What can you share or save so there is enough for later?

About FatesFables

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