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The Intelligent Jackal

Intelligence is not only what we learn in school to get good marks in the examination. It is how we deal with our everyday problems. An intelligent person is able to solve all the problems on his own.

Here is an interesting story for you.

A wolf and a jackal were friends. Once they engaged in a friendly conversation.

"How far have you studied?" asked the wolf.

"I'm half educated," replied the jackal.

"I'm twice as educated as you," said the wolf, "You should now call me Sir."

Just then, a tiger leapt towards them.

"What should we do Sir?"

asked the jackal. The wolf was so scared that he became speechless.

"Where are you going?" growled the tiger.

"We were coming to consult you Sir," replied the jackal, reacting quickly.



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The jackal continued saying, "A dispute has arisen among us and Sir, with your superior intelligence, may be you could help."

"What is the dispute?" asked the tiger who was pleased with the jackal's flattery.

"I have caught two good chickens," explained the jackal. "My friend says, he's more educated, so he should get one chicken. Is it fair Sir?"

"How far have you studied?" asked the tiger to the wolf. The wolf, badly frightened, chattered his teeth. The jackal explained, "He says, he has as many qualifications as the number of teeth in his mouth."

"Ah," said the tiger, "then I'm much better educated." He opened his mouth wide to show his dangerous teeth. The tiger's open mouth unnerved the wolf who fell flat on his face. The jackal quickly spoke, "He is accepting, you are more educated and he's saluting your teeth. I should also bow down to your wisdom because you've settled our dispute."

"I have?" asked the puzzled tiger.

"Sir, you are most educated and hence the two chickens belong to you. We do not have a dispute any more," replied the jackal. "Please follow me to my house to take the chickens," continued the jackal.

The tiger was delighted. He hardly got chicken to eat. Besides, after the



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A. Answer these questions.

1. Who declared himself more educated- wolf or jackal?

Ans. The wolf declared himself is to be more educated.

2. Why did the jackal engage the tiger in their conversation?

Ans. The jackal engaged the tiger in their conversation so that they can escape themselves from the tiger.

3. Why did the jackal say that the tiger was the most educated?

Ans. The jackal said that the tiger was the most educated because he had saluting teeth.

4. Where did the wolf and the jackal go to save their lives?

Ans. The wolf and the jackal went into the narrow tunnel to save their lives.

5. Who tricked the tiger?

Ans. The intelligent jackal tricked the tiger.

B. Fill in the blanks:

1. The wolf was so **scared** that he became speechless.

2. The tiger became pleased with the jackal's **flattery**.

3. The **tiger** opened his mouth wide to show his dangerous teeth.

4. The jackal led the tiger to a **tunnel** on the side of a low hill.

C. Write T for 'True' and F for 'False'.

1. The jackal was foolish. F

2. The wolf and the jackal were fighting. F

3. A lion came to hunt the jackal. F

4. The tiger cursed the jackal. T

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