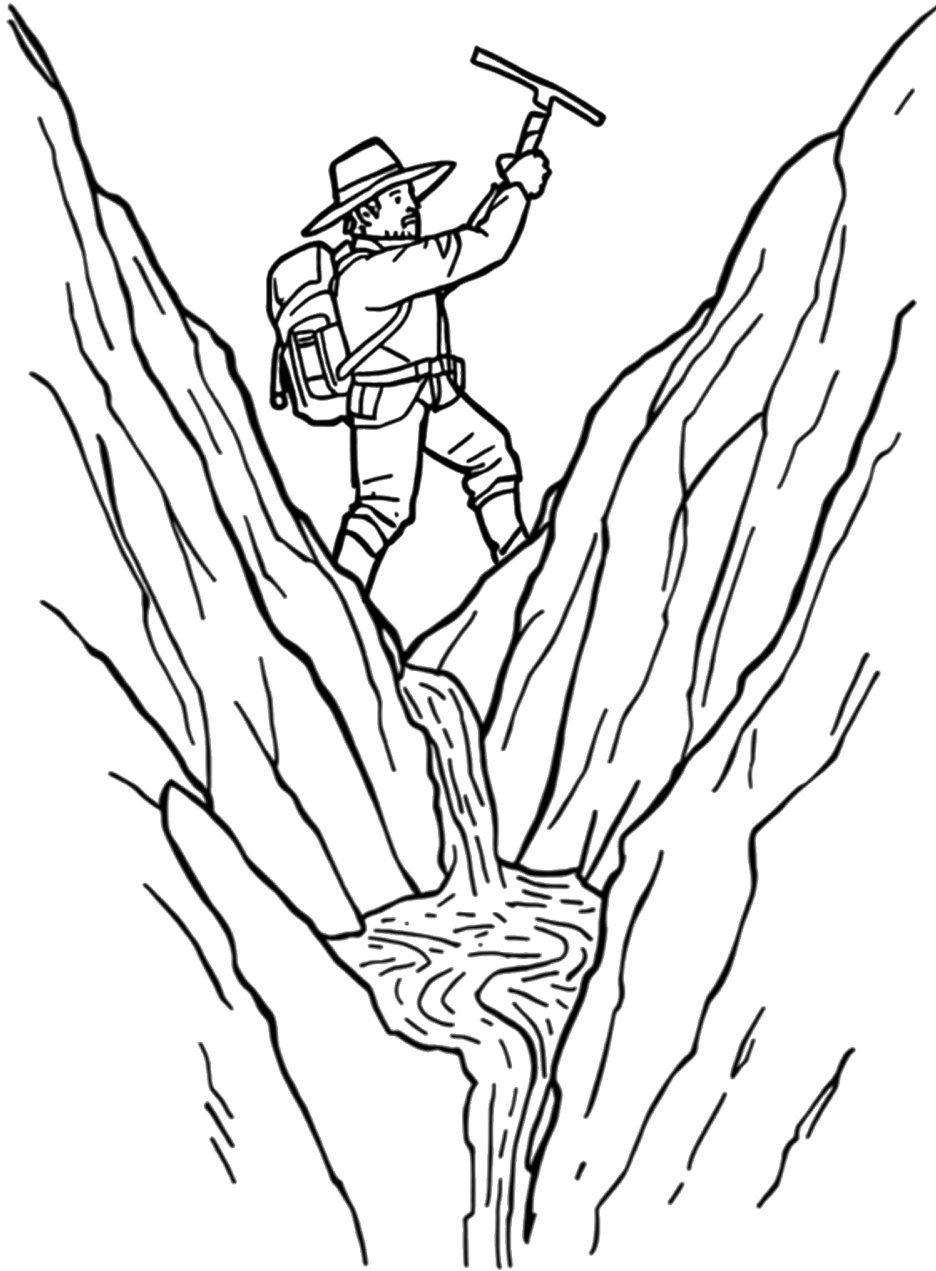


Manjushri and the Draining of the Lake

The old traveler cuts a path for the water.



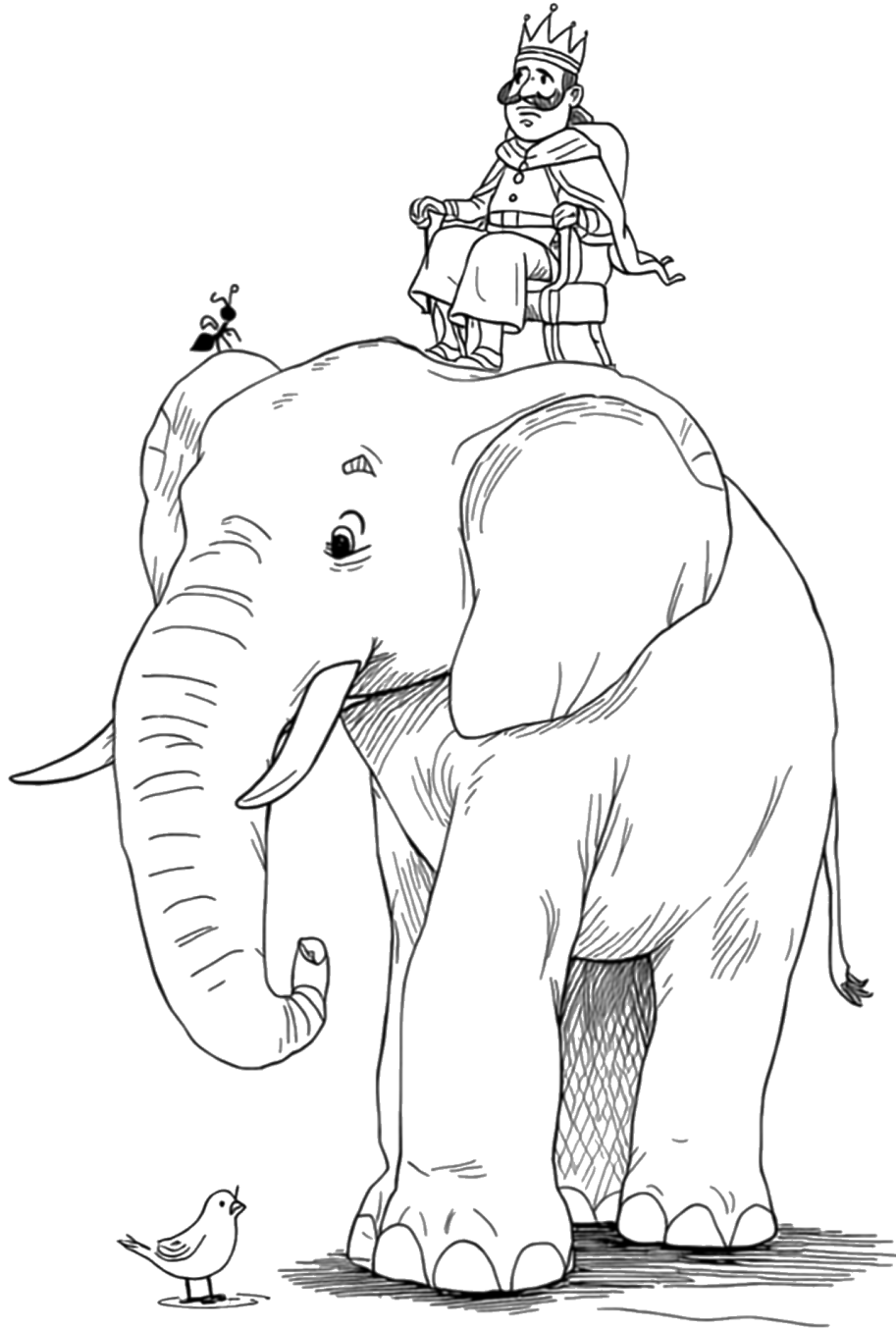
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A story from Newar people, Kathmandu Valley, Nepal

Retold from the Kathmandu Valley's founding legend, drawn from public-domain chronicle sources (Wright 1877, Oldfield 1880, Landon 1928).

The Sparrow's Lost Bean

A tiny ant helps a little sparrow.



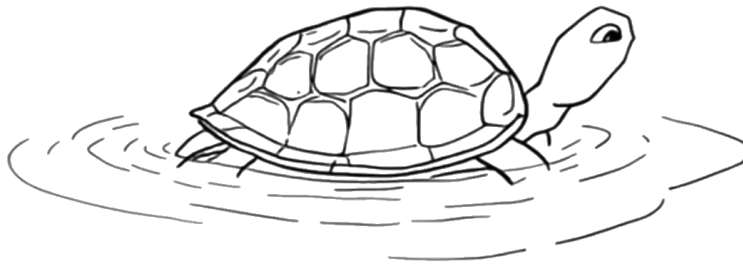
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The Tortoise and the Jackal

The tortoise swims safely away across the river.

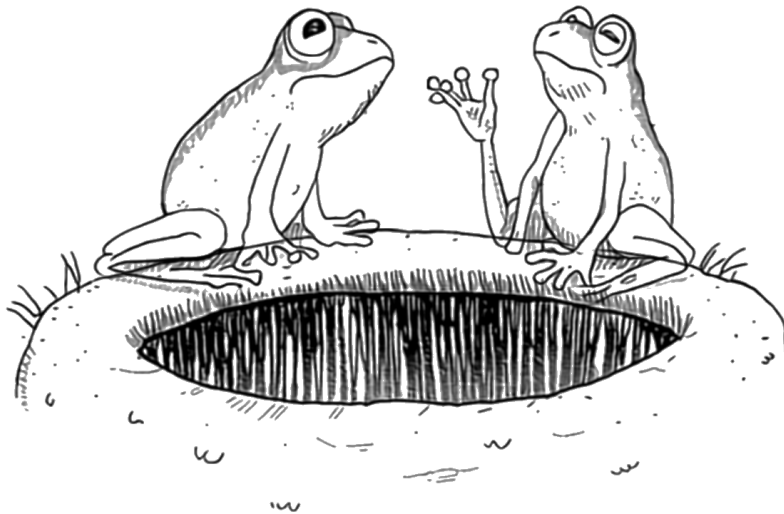


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A story from Nepali hill villages, Nepal

The Wise Frog

Two frogs sit on the rim of a well.



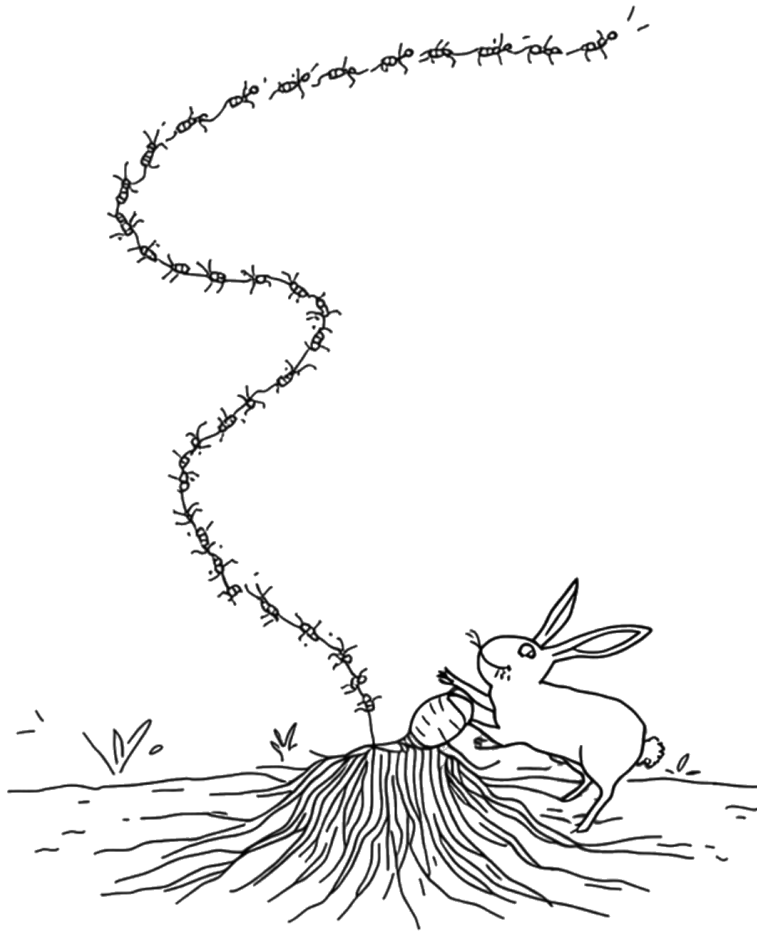
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Chulbule the Rabbit and the Juicy Carrot

Chulbule pulls while the ants dig the root.



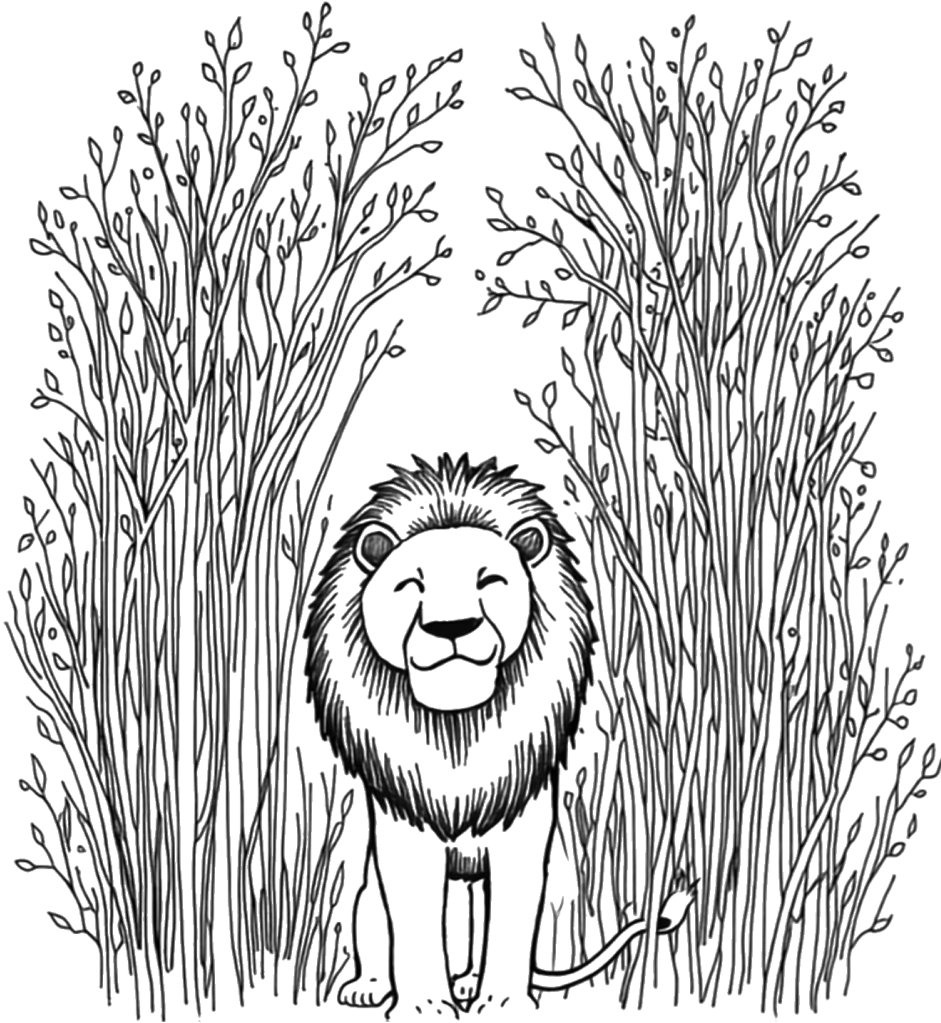
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The Lion and His Prey

The lion stands alone among the thin trees.



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The Indigent Brahman

Little goblins tumble out of the clay pot.



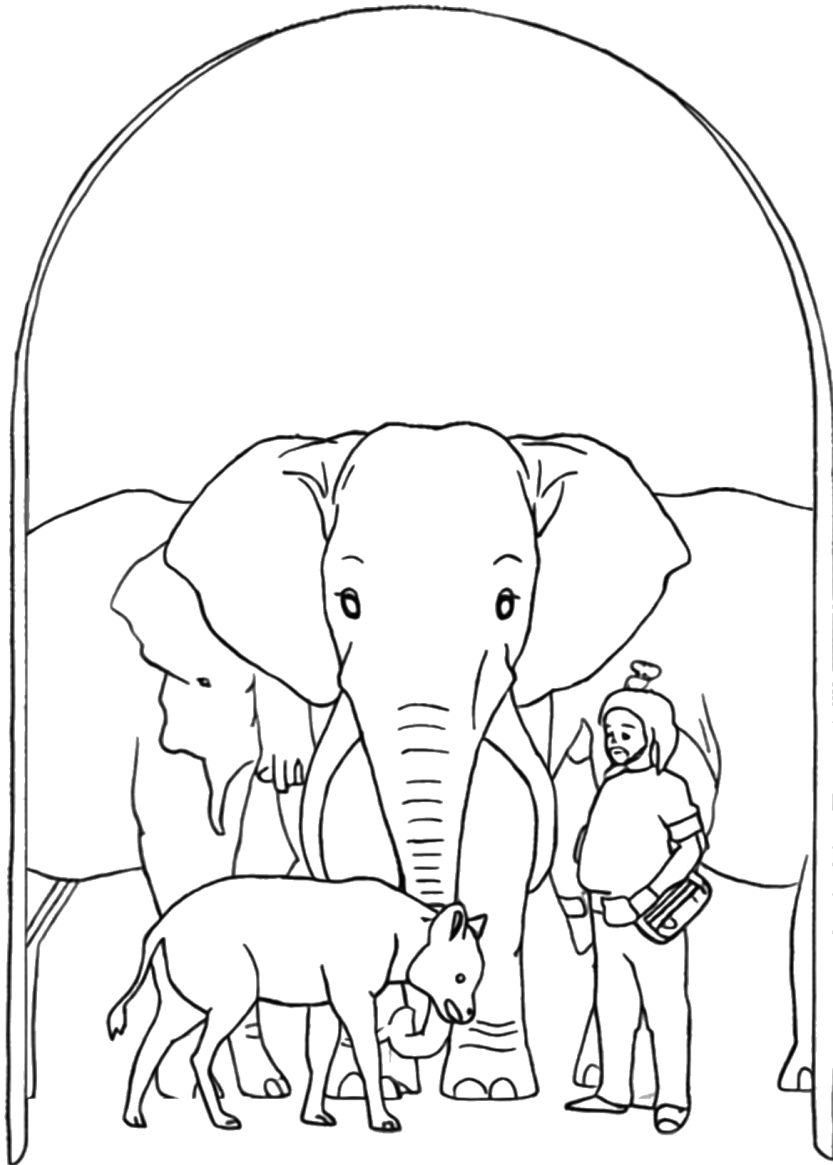
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The Match-making Jackal

The jackal bows low at the palace gate.



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The Tiger and the Hare

The tiger leaps at the well. The hare runs!



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A story from Upper Indus, Frontier country of present-day Pakistan

Adapted from a public-domain source: Rev. Charles Swynnerton's Indian Nights' Entertainment; or, Folk-Tales from the Upper Indus (1892), an Upper-Indus Frontier telling from present-day Pakistan.

The Bear's Bad Bargain

The bear runs off and drops the pears.



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A story from Punjab (shared heritage across the India-Pakistan border)

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The Monkey and the Wedge

A curious monkey pulls at the split beam.

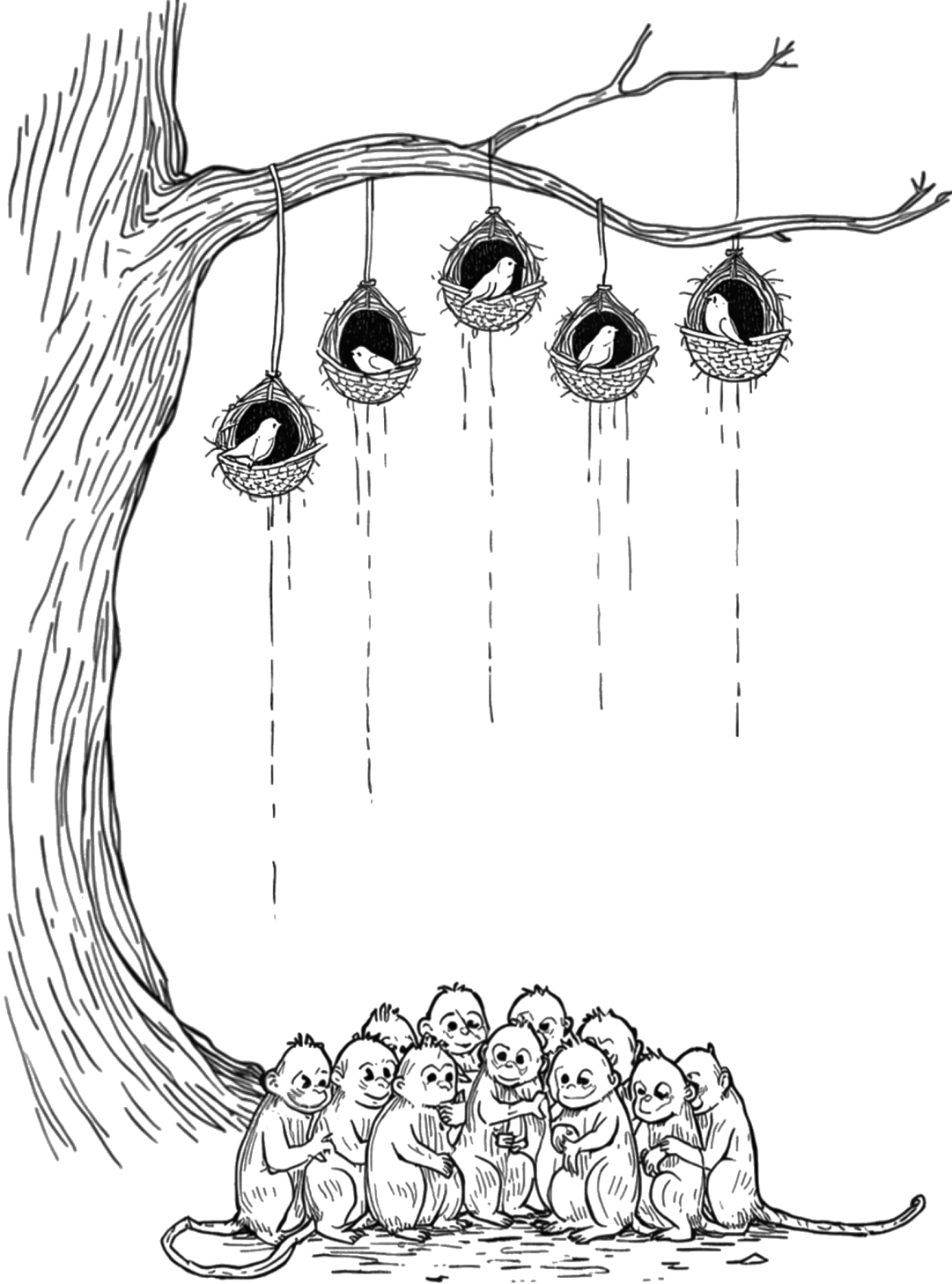


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A story from India, from the Sanskrit Hitopadesha

The Weaver-Birds and the Monkeys

Snug birds in their nests, wet monkeys below.



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The Terrible Bell

Karála peeks at the monkeys ringing the bell.



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The Rat's Wedding

The rat offers the princess a very tiny supper.



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