

The Sky is Falling

Instructive Stories from teachings of
Pancha-Tantra

Once in a jungle there lived rabbit. He was sleeping in the afternoon under a mango tree.



*When the rabbit was in deep sleep,
a ripe mango fell on his head.*



Rabbit in great fear got up suddenly.



The rabbit didn't even look around but just started running and screaming.



*Run, run away fast,
the sky is falling, the
sky is falling.*

There lived a deer in the near by bush.



They saw rabbit running so they also started running behind him.



A fox saw them running, and asks them the reason of running.



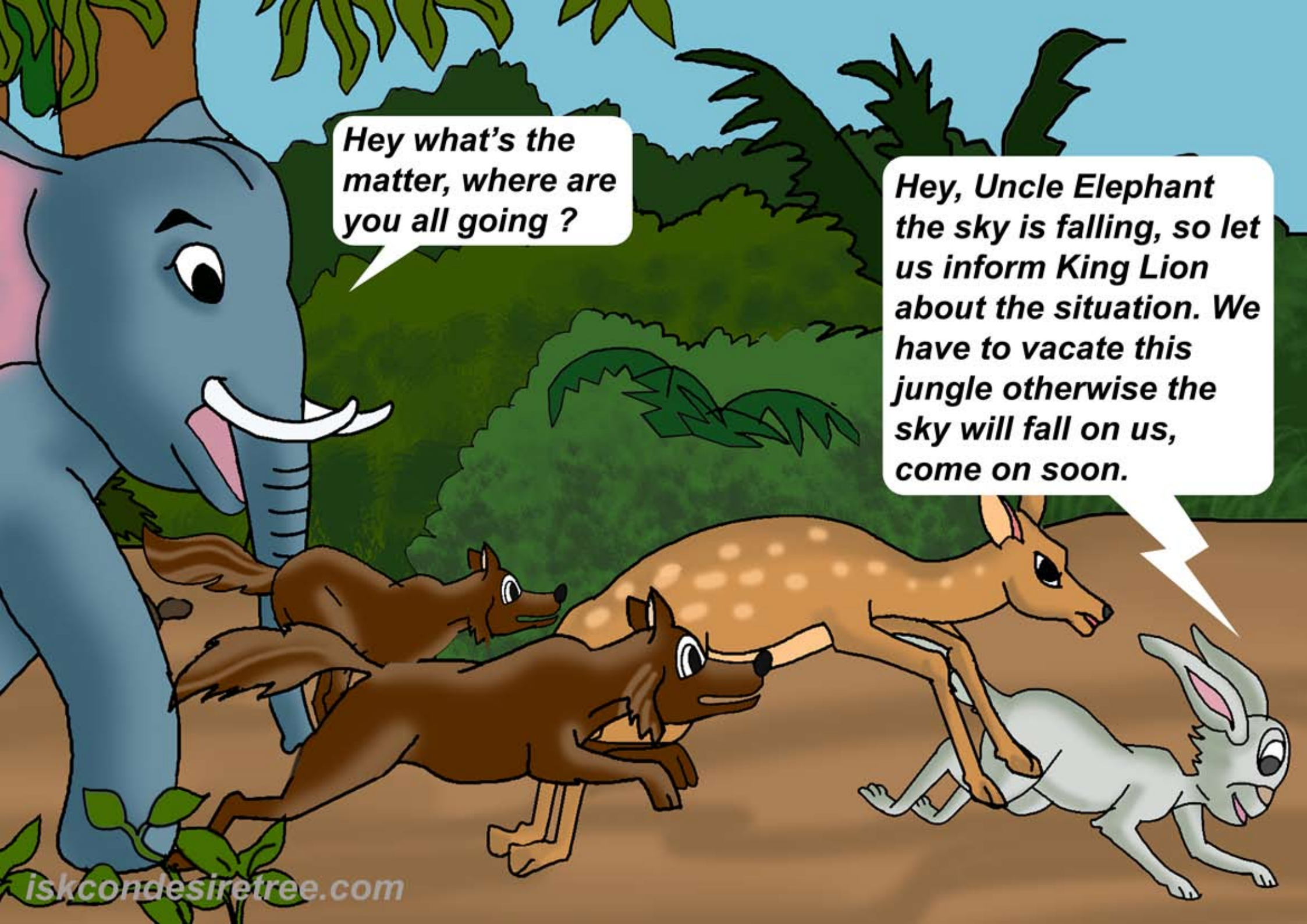


*Save your life,
the sky is falling.*

The fox gathered all their family members and starts running with them.

The elephant saw them running.






Hey what's the matter, where are you all going ?

Hey, Uncle Elephant the sky is falling, so let us inform King Lion about the situation. We have to vacate this jungle otherwise the sky will fall on us, come on soon.


*All the animals went to
the king of the jungle*

*What is the
matter? Why
have you
come here in
such a big
number?*



Oh king, we have to leave this jungle, because the sky might fall.

What, what did you say, first of all tell me, who told you such a thing.



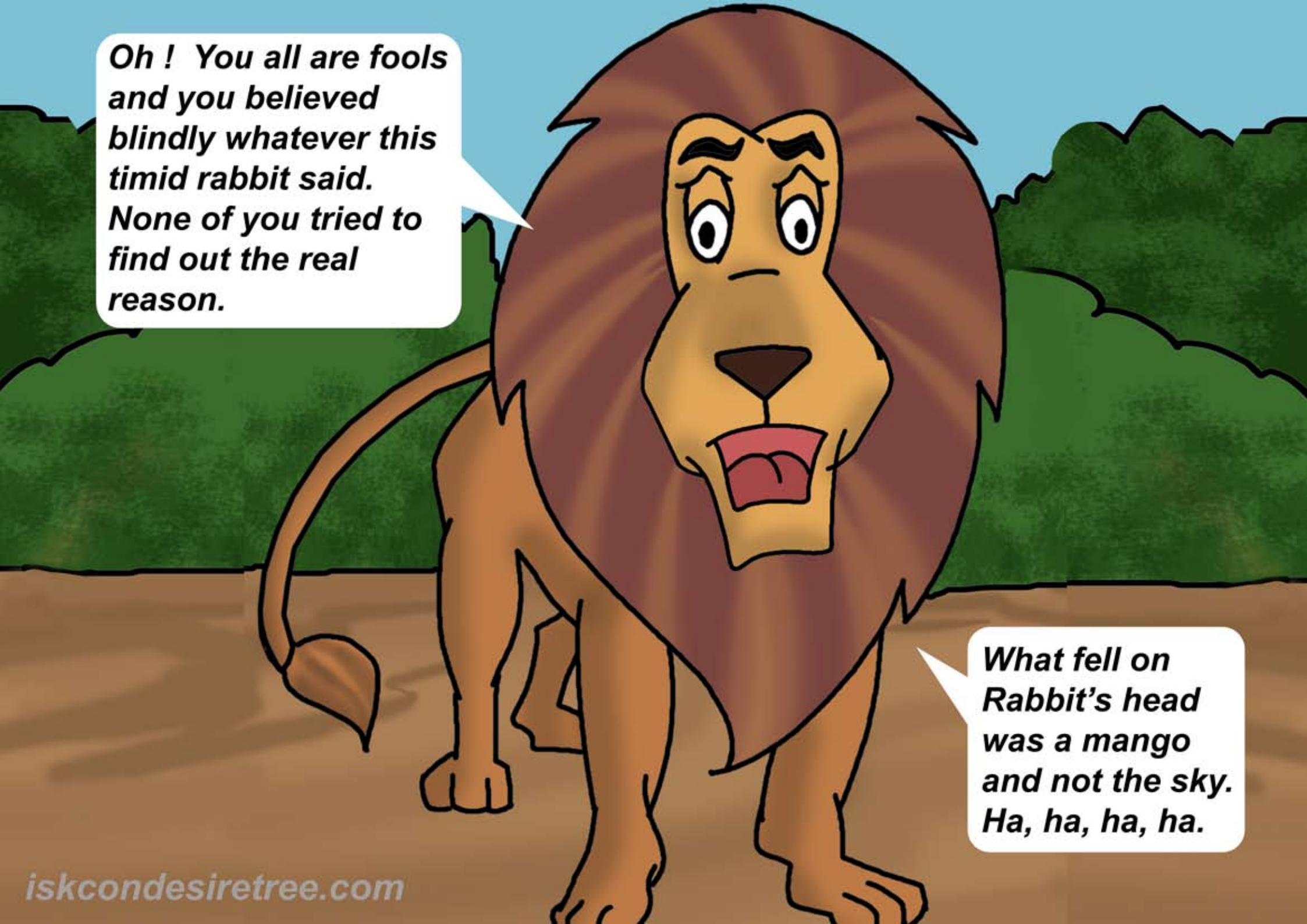
Oh ! King, I have said so, you come with me, I will show you, the sky first fell on mango tree then on my head.

*The Lion saw that the
rabbit's head was swollen*



All of them went to the mango tree and saw that a mango was fallen there.





**Oh ! You all are fools
and you believed
blindly whatever this
timid rabbit said.
None of you tried to
find out the real
reason.**

**What fell on
Rabbit's head
was a mango
and not the sky.
Ha, ha, ha, ha.**

*All the animals realized their foolishness
and felt ashamed of themselves.*



MORAL :

***We should not follow anyone without knowing
the reason or cause of the matter.***