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and a Hunter*

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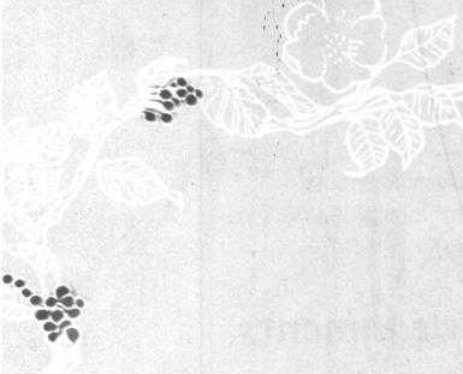
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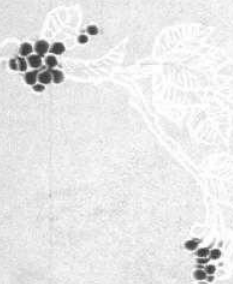


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Introduction

'Four Friends and a Hunter' is a story adapted from *Kelileh and Demneh* which was originally written in Sanskrit under the title of *Panchatantra*. This book is now known to be one of the most ancient collections of fables in the world.

'Four Friends and a Hunter' is a story about friendship. Although each animal in the story is different from another, they seem to feel safe and comfortable when they are with one another because they believe that there is always someone to help them.

The four animals in our story are always together. They go out, tell jokes, burst into laughter, and have a good time but this doesn't last long because there is a hunter who wants to catch them. Does each of the animals take part and try to do something to save the others? Are they united in time of trouble or scattered to mind their own business?

What can the raven do for the deer when it's caught in a net or ropes? How about the turtle? Does the mouse say goodbye and hide himself in a hole when a hunter is around and everybody needs his help?

Loyalty is more than just a word. One should prove it. Let's hope that all the animals in 'Four Friends and a Hunter' stay loyal to the very end and help one another in need.