

The Camel and the Lion

Those who love [Aesop's Fables](#) might know the story of the "The Camel and the Lion". It is the story of a camel who is very jealous and wants to show off to all the animals that he can dance even though he could not.

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Story:

Once upon a time, a young Lion was made king of the forest. The old lion had retired. There was great celebration in the forest for this. All the animals were performing for the lion.

The elephant made everyone laugh and play when he sprayed them with water.

The birds sang the softest of songs.

The monkey was asked to dance. He danced so well that all the animals clapped. Even the lion was very happy and showered the monkey with praise.

There was a camel which was very jealous on hearing this. He thought, "Anyone can dance. The Monkey is not special. I can dance better than him."

He went to the center of the stage and pushed the monkey away and began to dance. He was not a good dancer. He had a huge hump and long feet. He was jumping around and looked very ugly. His long neck was twisting around and his hump was huge. The animals very angry and had to move away from his feet.

He was so careless that he almost kicked the Lion. The Lion roared and chased away the Camel into the desert.

Moral of the story:

"Do not try to ape your betters."

Other stories which you can read

[The Dog and the Hides](#)

[The Cock, The Dog and the Fox](#)

[The Farmer and the Snake](#)

[The Farmer and the Stork](#)

[The Cat and the Birds](#)

Questions on "The Camel and the Lion"

1. Who are the main characters of the story?
2. Why was there a huge party?
3. Name some things which the animals did?
4. What did the camel do?
5. What is the moral of the story?

Answers:

1. The main characters of the story are a Ass a Fox and a Lion.
2. a young Lion was made king of the forest. The old lion had retired. There was great celebration in the forest for this.
3. The elephant made everyone laugh and play when he sprayed them with water. The birds sang the softest of songs. The monkey was asked to dance. He danced so well that all the animals clapped.
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around and looked very ugly. His long neck was twisting around and his hump was huge. The animals very angry and had to move away from his feet. He was so careless that he almost kicked the Lion. The Lion roared and chased away the Camel into the desert.

5. The moral of the Aesop's Fable is that *"Do not try to ape your betters."*