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**LEN THE LION**

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Introducing the letter 'L'

# Alphabetti Book #8

## Len The Lion

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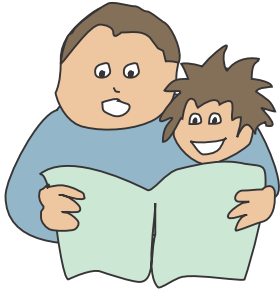
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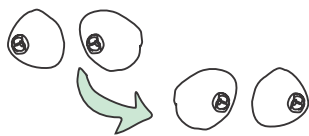
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## Quick Start Guide



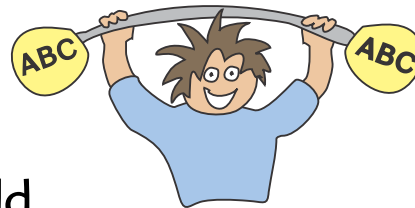
Read the book **WITH** your child. You read the “regular” text, and he/she reads the big, red words, sort of like reading the different parts in a play.

Help your child sound out the words as needed.

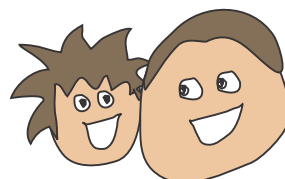


Read the book several times. This helps develop the eye muscles and left-to-right reading patterns.

Don't rush it. Body-builders don't train in a day – neither does a child.

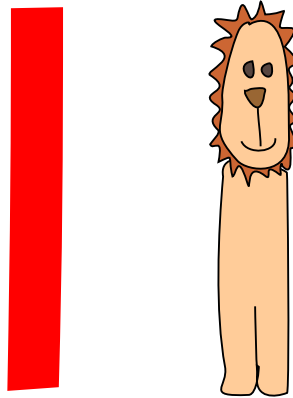


And most important of all, **HAVE FUN!**

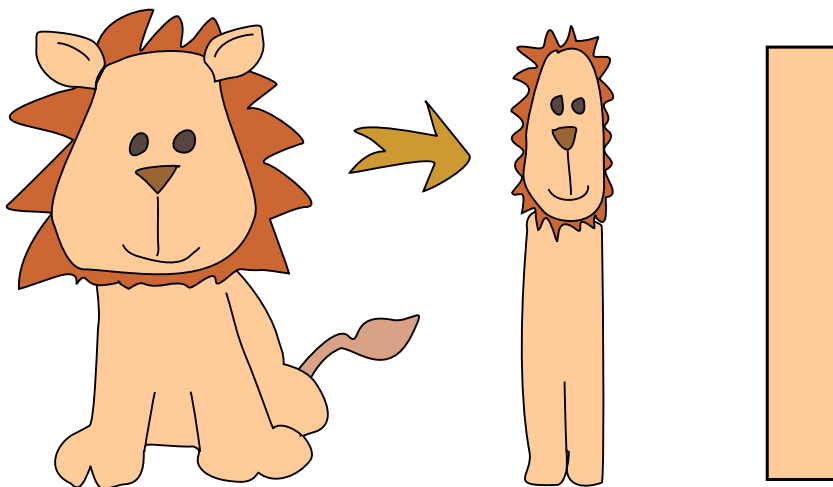


# Lesson 1

This is the letter 'L' –

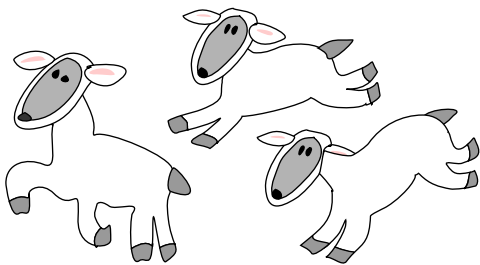


The letter 'L' says “-leh- for lion.”  
Can you say “-leh- for lion”?



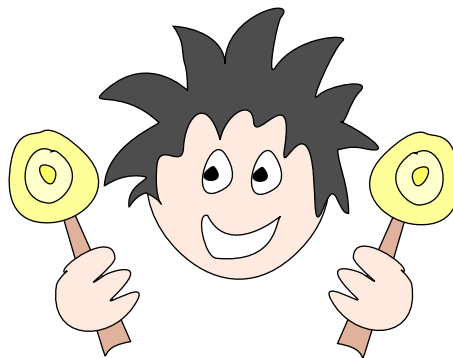
# Lesson 1

We use the “-leh-” sound in lots of words, like:



Little lambs  
leap a lot.

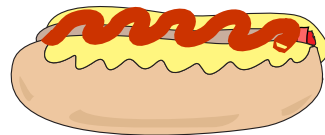
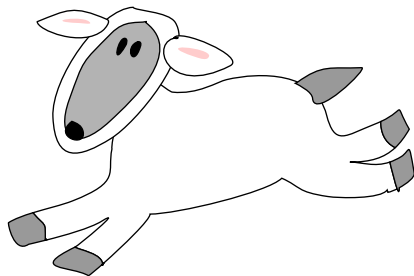
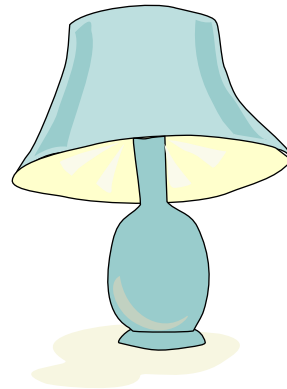
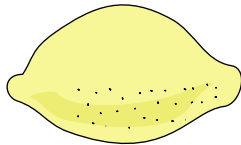
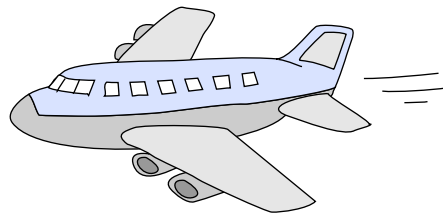
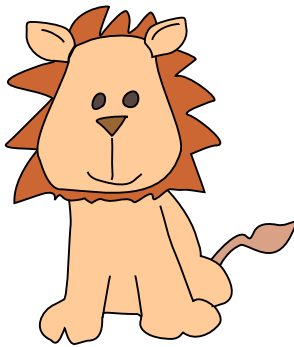
Lovely lemon  
lollipops.



I like lazy  
lions.

# Lesson 1

Show me the pictures that start with the “-leh-” sound.



Answer: Lion, lamp, lamb, lemon.

# Lesson 1

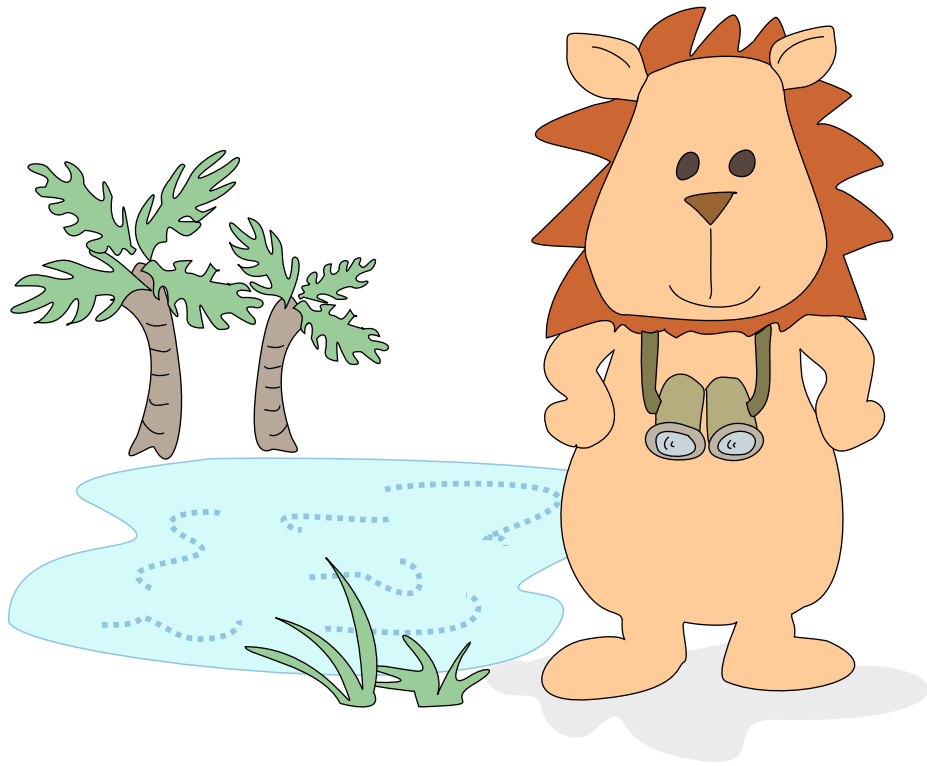
Here are two words we can make with the letter 'e' – can you read them?

len

lan

(Len is a boy's name,  
Lan is a girl's name.)



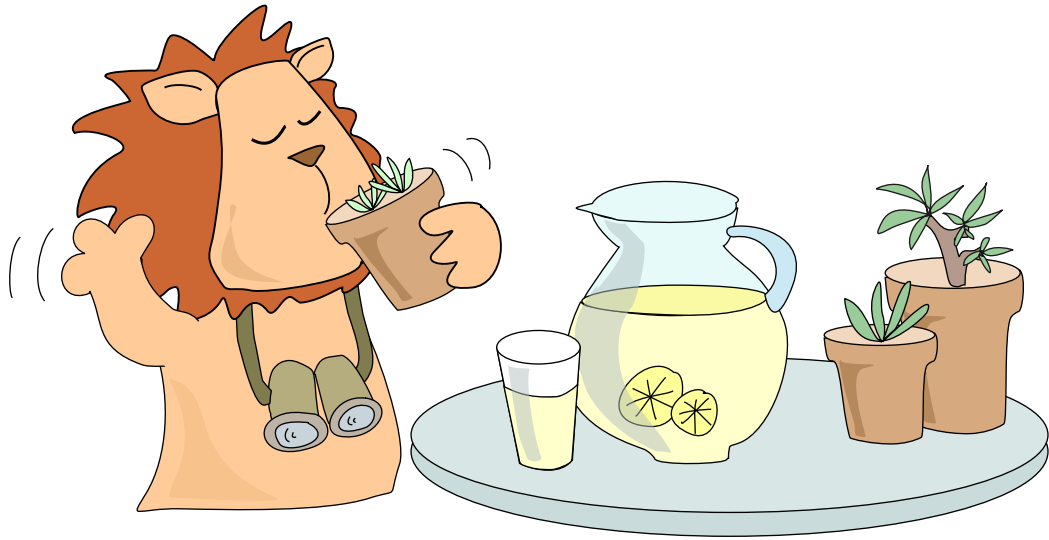


**len** the lion

lived by a lake



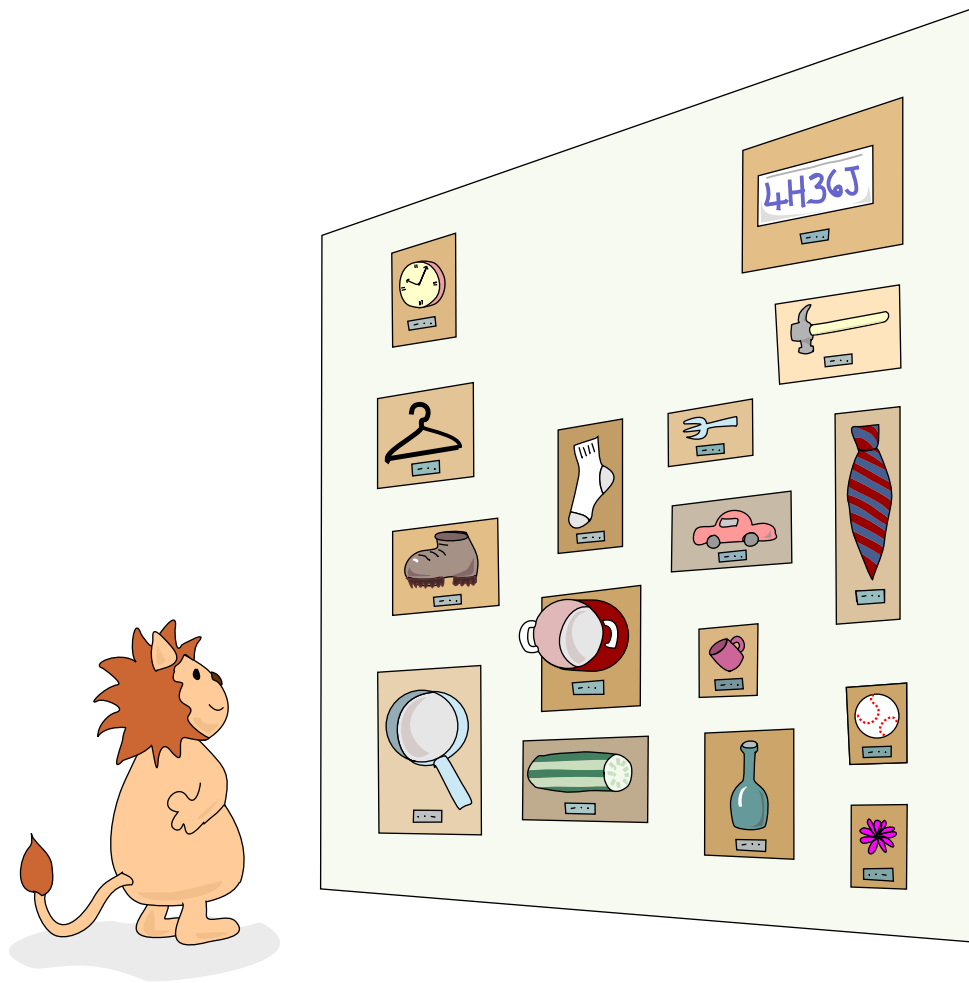
with his little  
son, Lonnie,



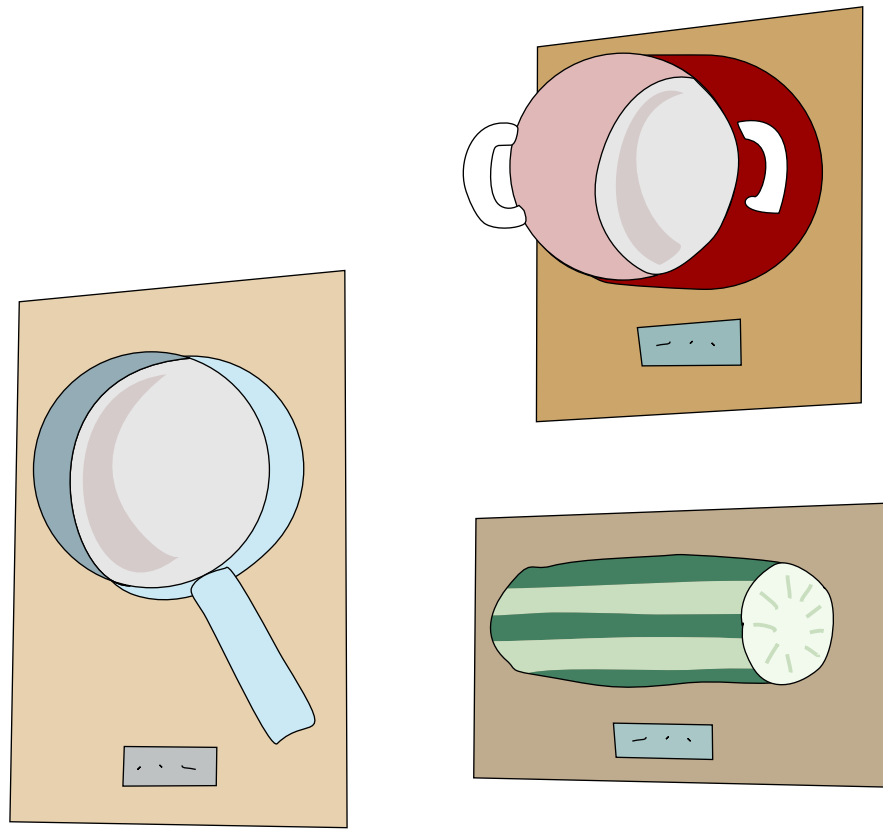
and a lot of  
lemonade.



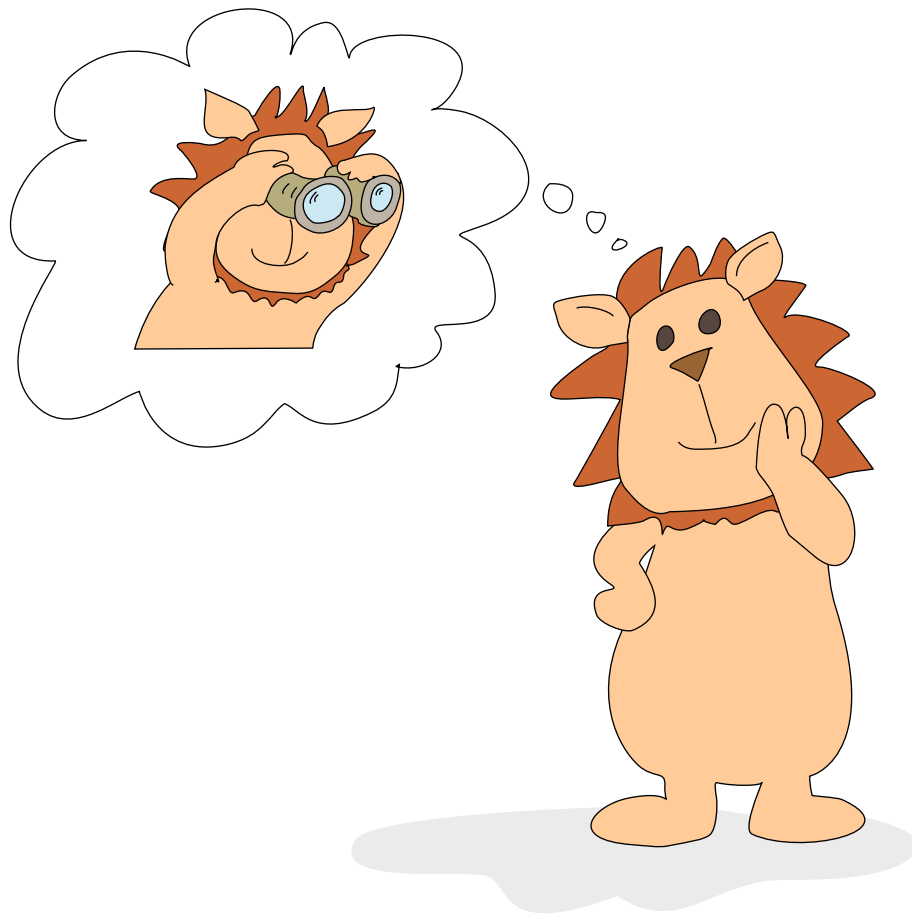
**len** liked to  
look at his lovely,  
lovely wall –



at all his trophies,  
big and small:



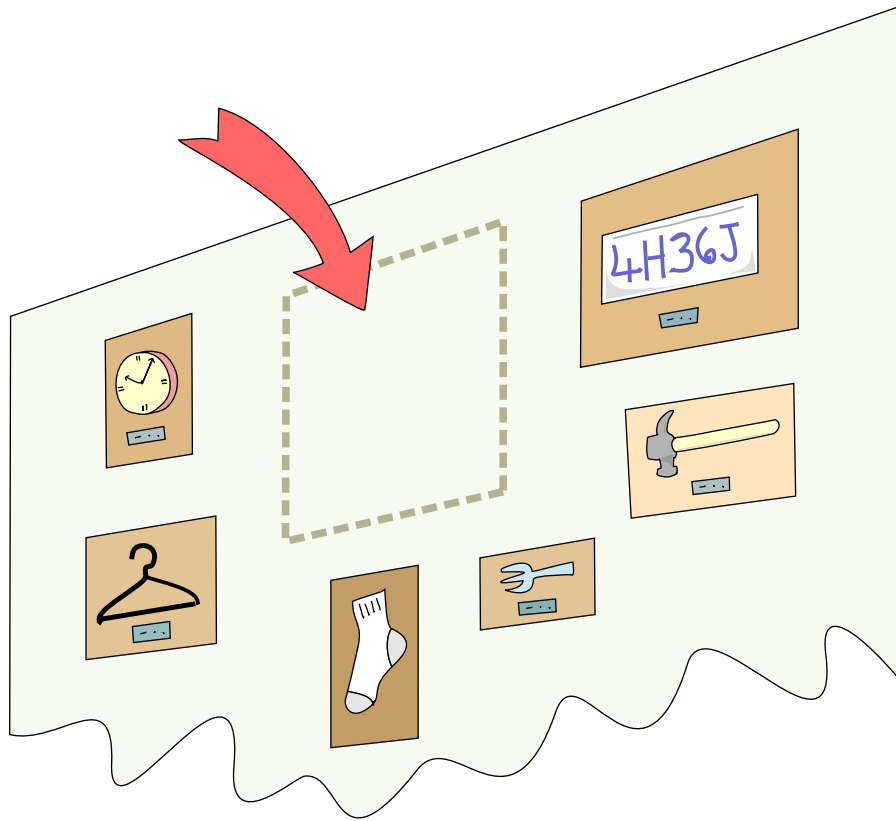
a pot, a pan and  
half a cucumber.



“All because,” said

**len**, “I am a

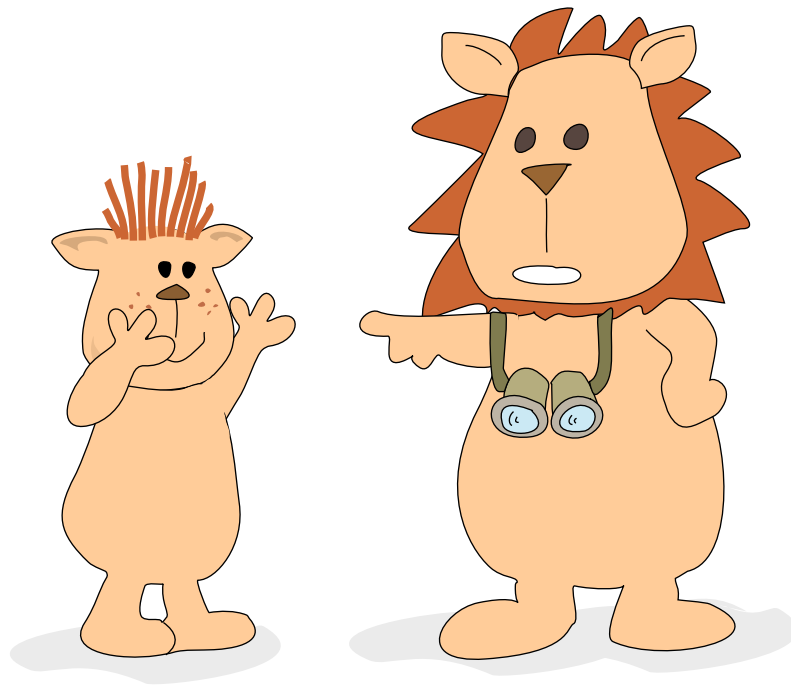
**GREAT** hunter.”



But there was an empty spot waiting to be filled with something special, something really chill.

Chill is American slang for very nice. It also means to relax, like, “Chill out!”





So **len** said, “Lonnie,  
my little lion son, go  
get your net – we  
are going on a hunt!”



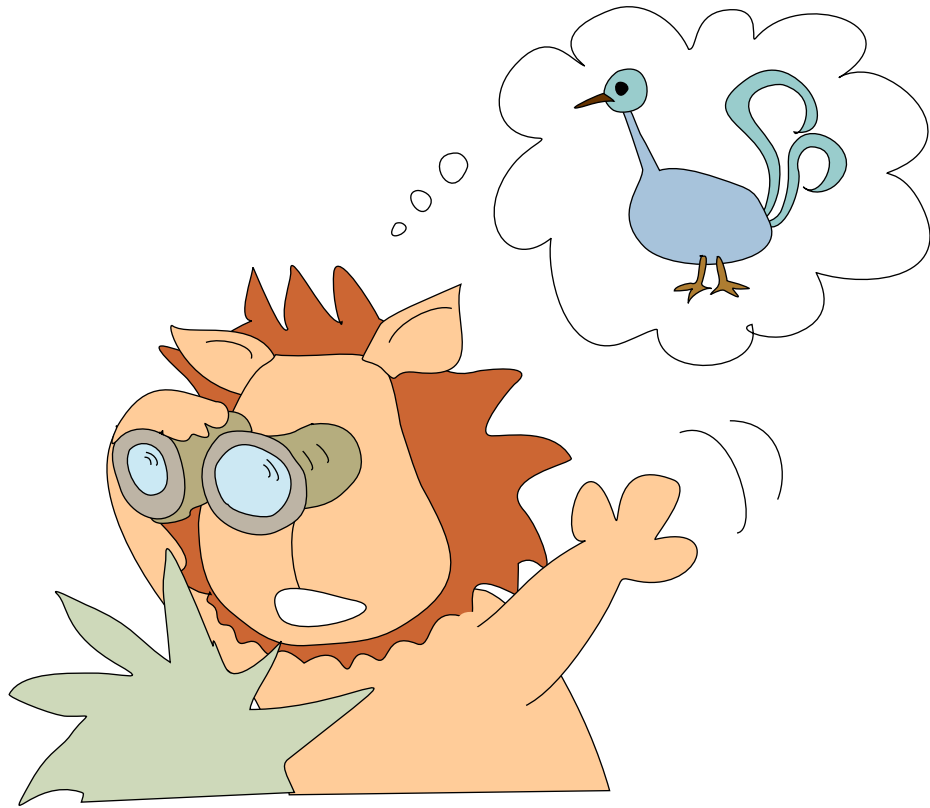
**len** and Lonnie

crawled without

a sound,



stopping now  
and then to look  
around.



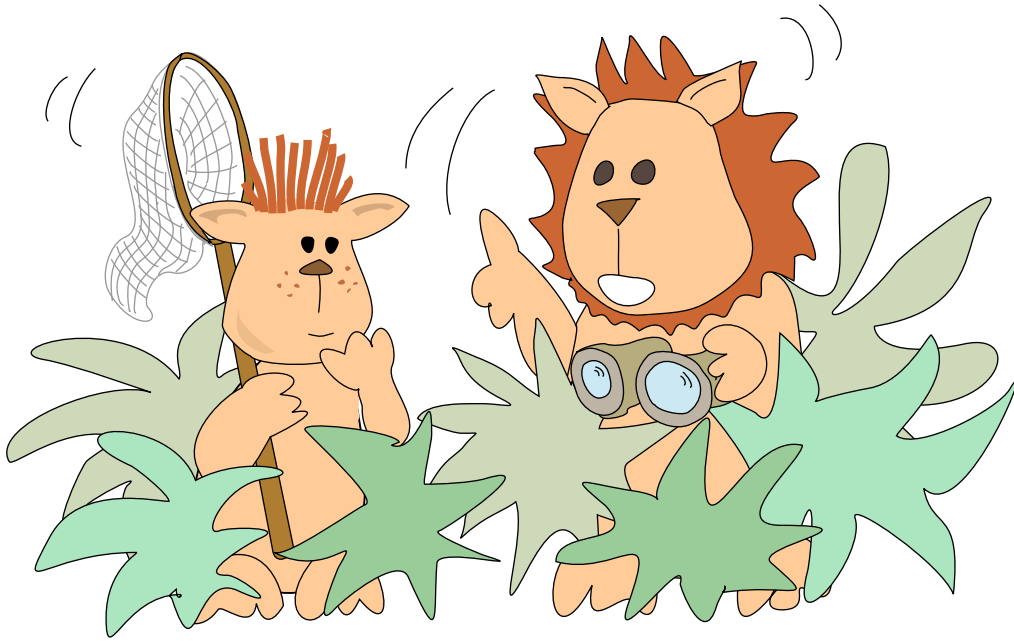
“Aha!” said **len**.

“What do I see?”



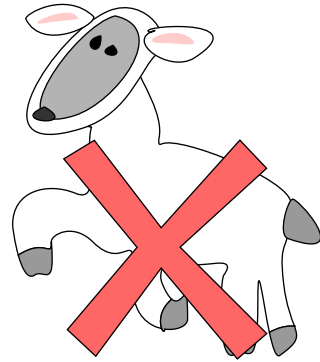
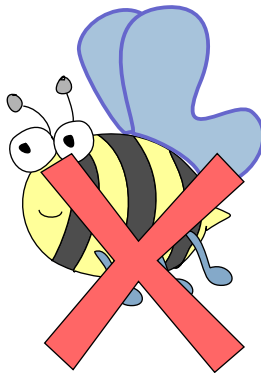
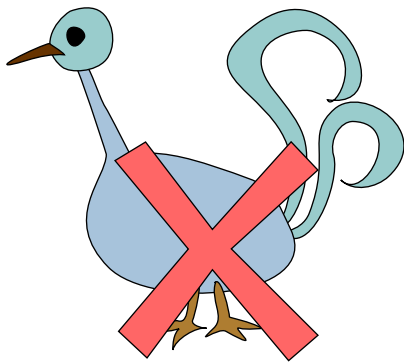
**Lonnie looked too.**

**“Is that a bumble bee?”**



“No!” said **len**. “Don’t  
be absurd! That is not a  
bee, that is a bird!”

Absurd means very, very silly.



But it wasn't a bird  
or a bee or a lamb.



It was the hat of  
Lady Lola **lan**.





**Bang! The net came  
down by her feet.**



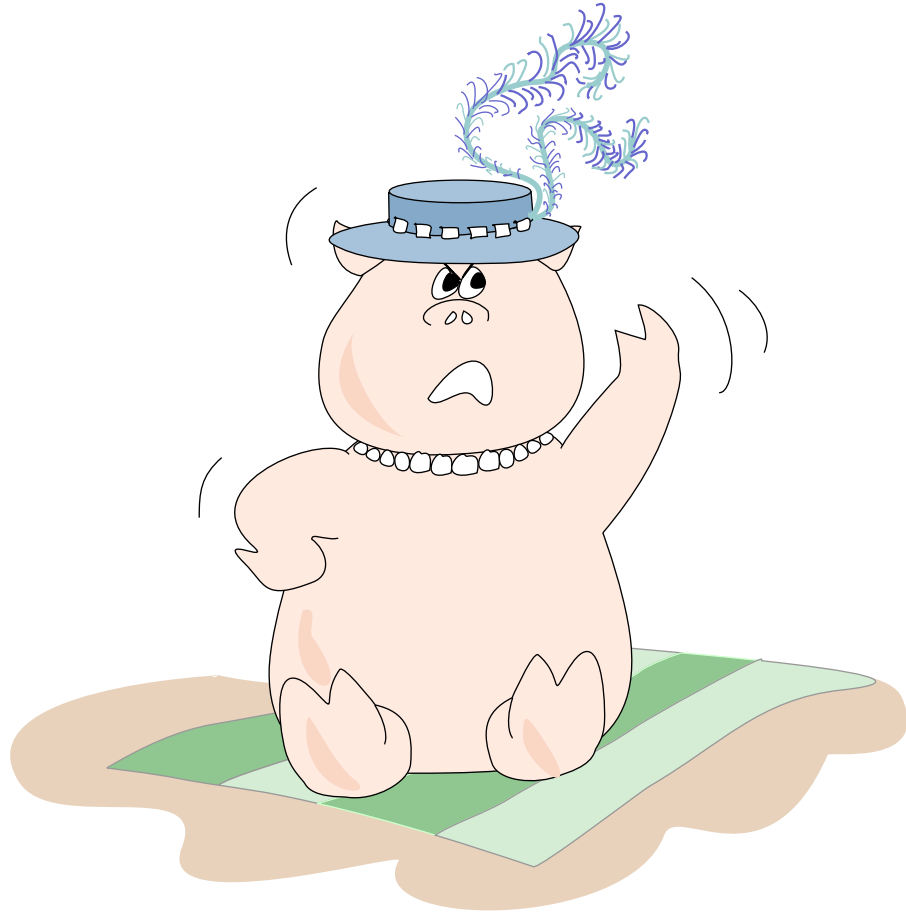
“What are you doing?”

said **lan** with a squeak.

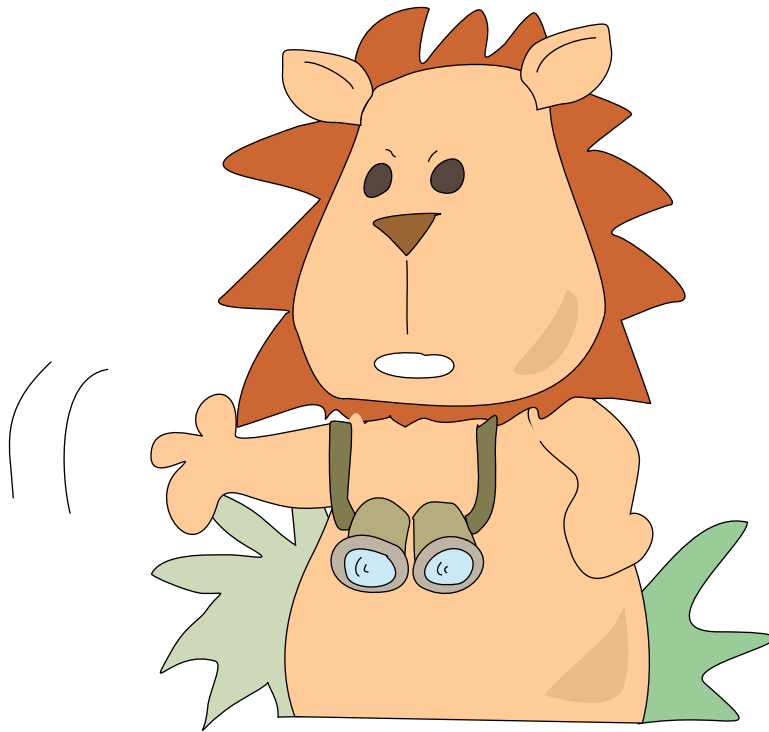


“We are saving your  
life,” **len** the lion said.

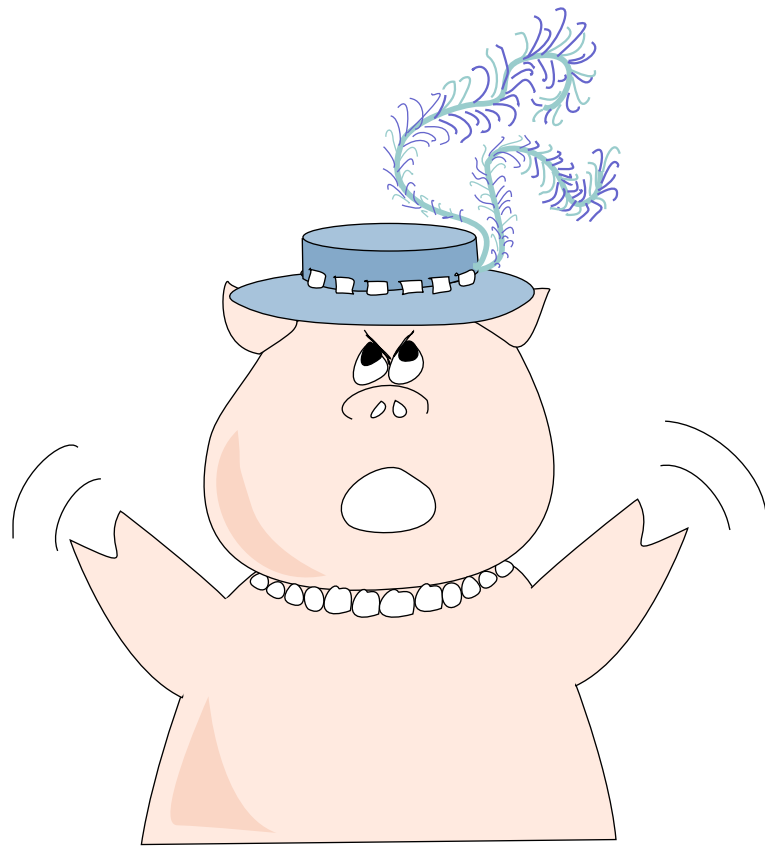
“There’s a dangerous  
beast upon your head.”



“That is not a beast –  
that is my hat!”



“You’re wrong!” said  
**len**. “It’s a blue-  
tailed bat.”

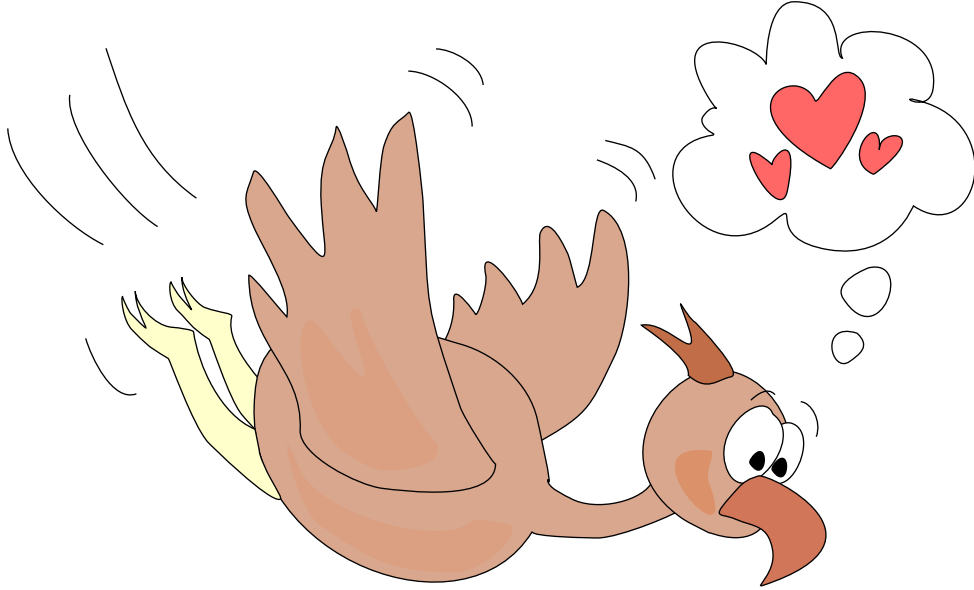


Lola **lan** snorted.

“Don’t be absurd.

That is a hat. It is

**NOT** a bird!”

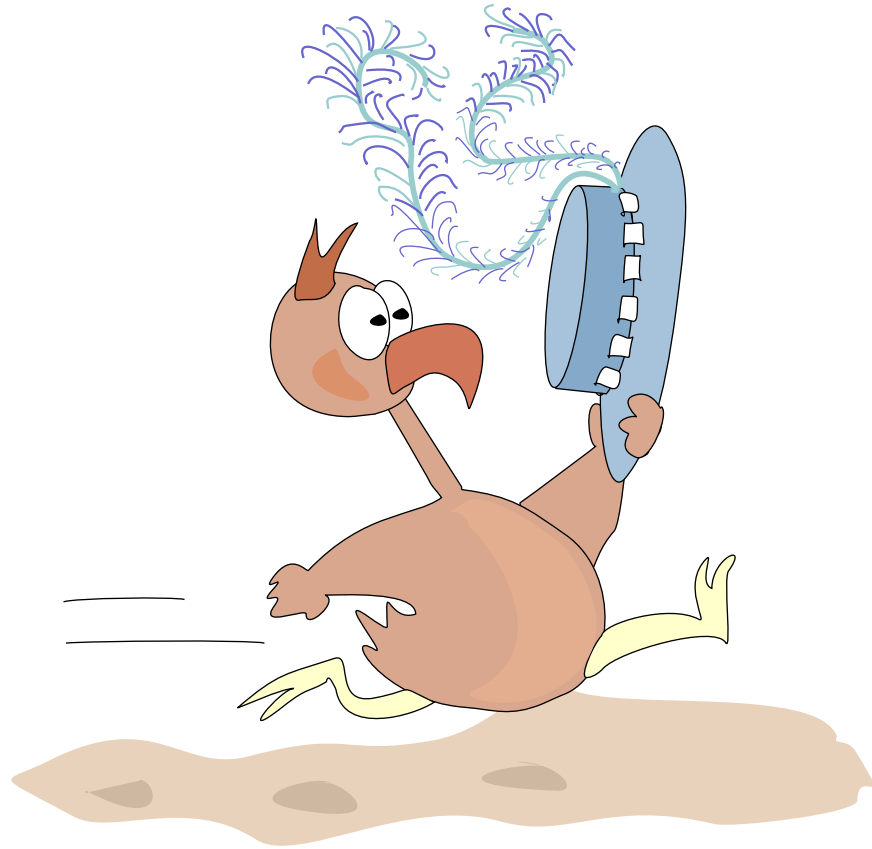


Now it just so happened,  
right then and there,  
that a big, brown bird  
dropped out of the air..

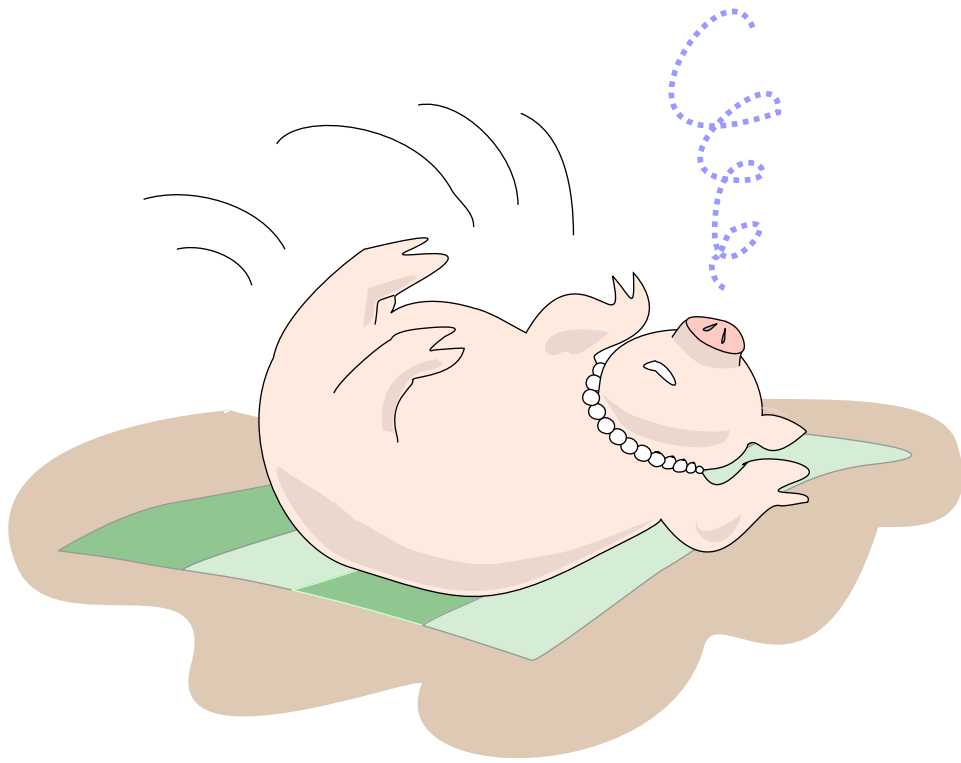


...and grabbed the  
hat of Lady Lola  
**Ian...**

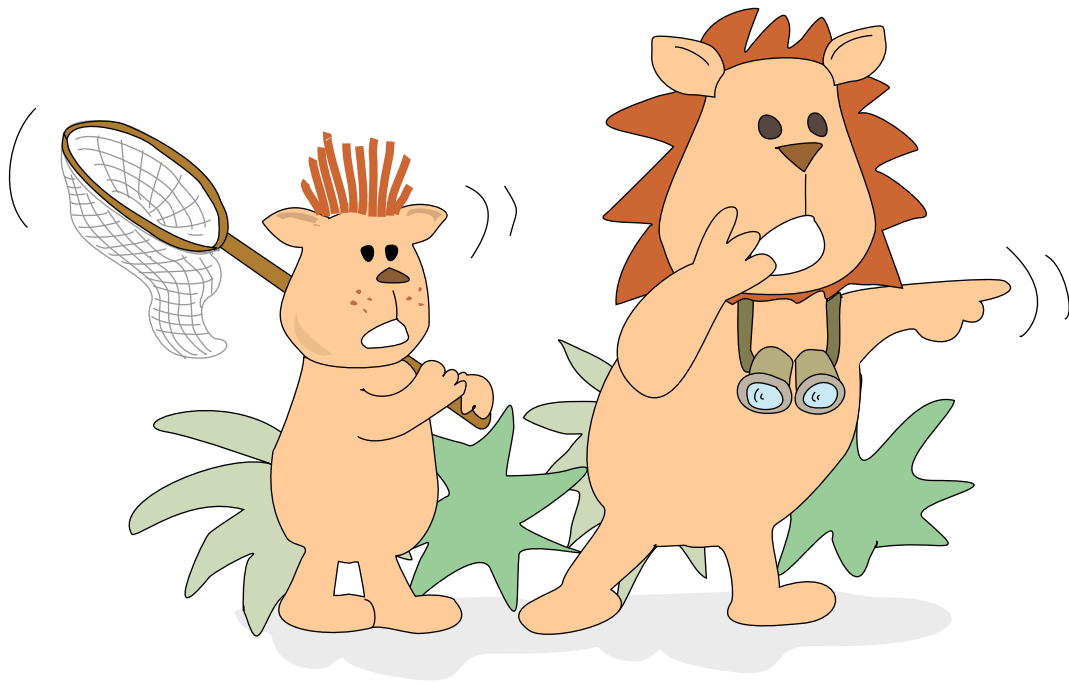




...and ran away  
across the sand.

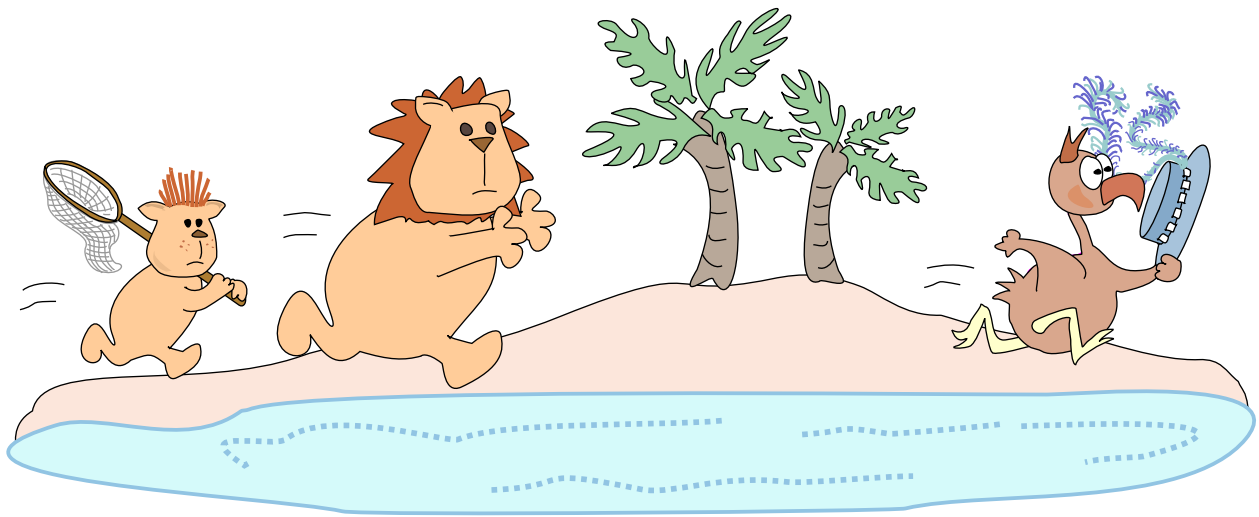


Lola **lan** screamed  
and fainted with  
surprise.

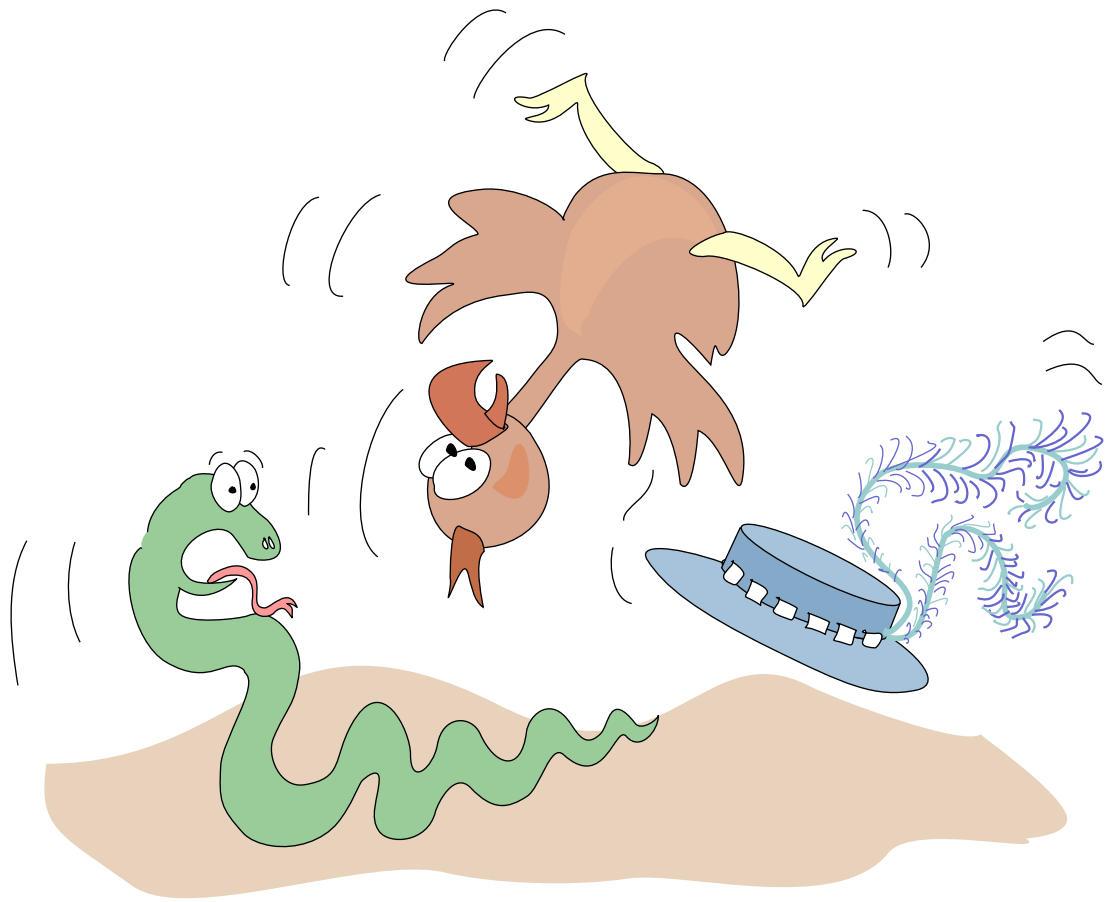


“Quick!” said **len**.

“There goes our  
prize!”



**len** chased the  
bird around the lake.



...until the bird  
tripped on a snake.

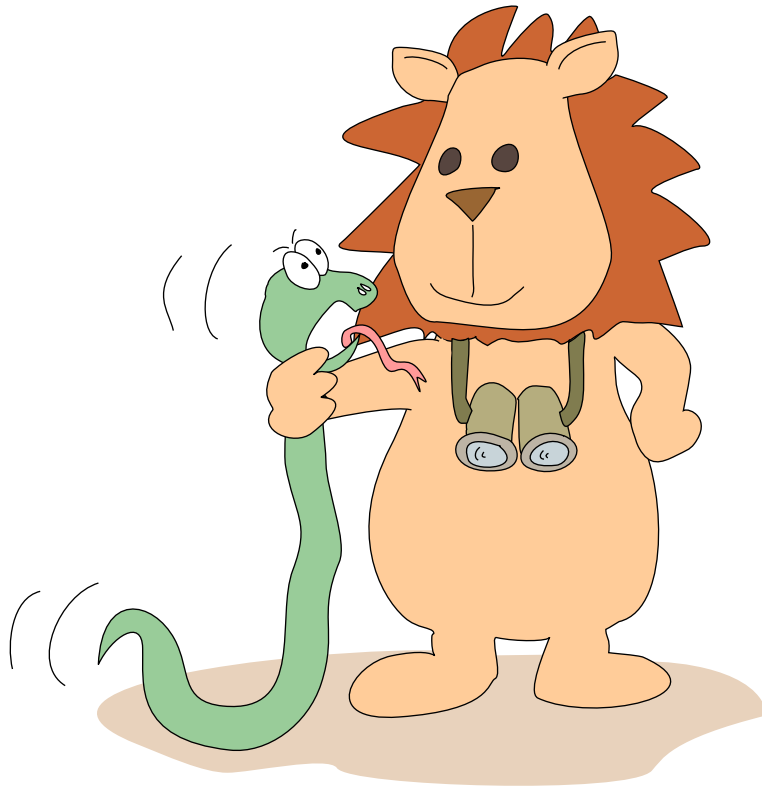


“Oh, my!” said **len**.

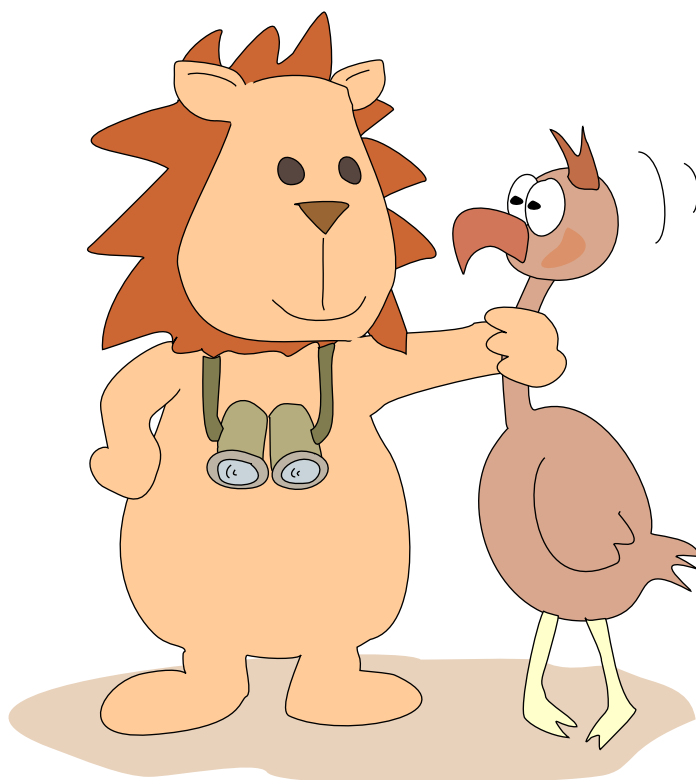
“What a hunter I am.

Look at my prize,

lying in the sand!”

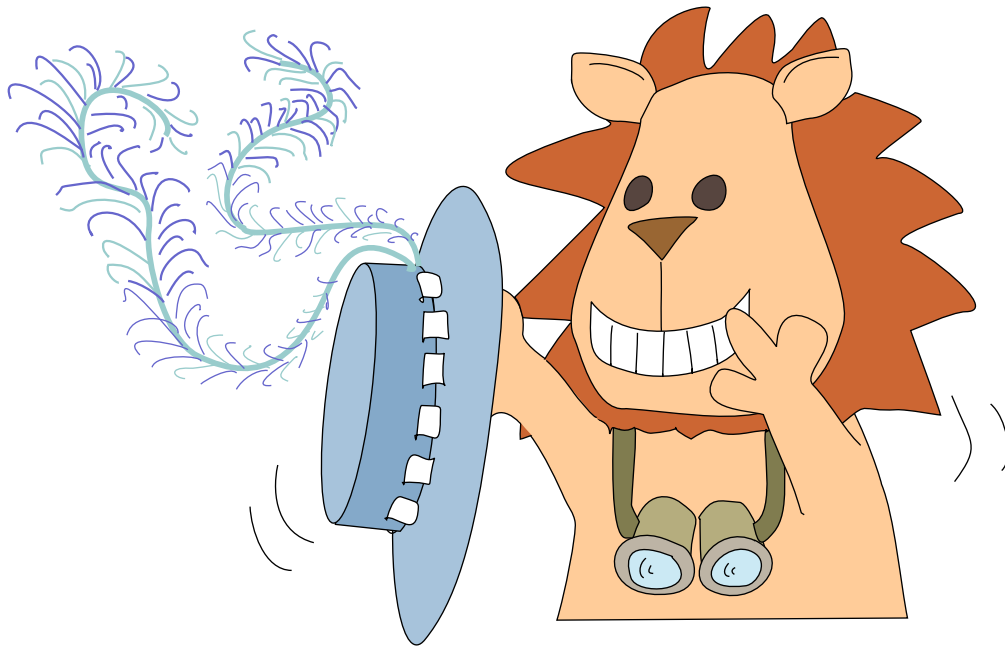


But did **len** take  
the snake?

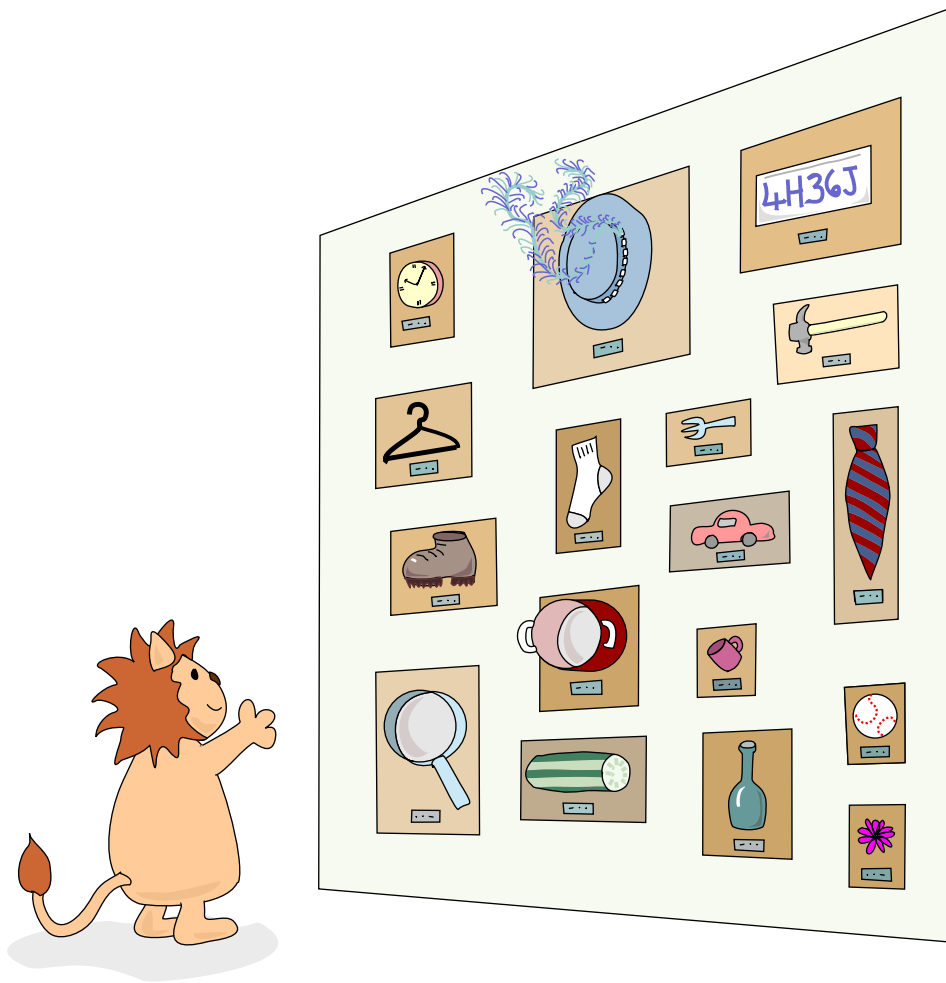


Or did **len** take  
the bird?





No! **len** took  
the hat.



How very absurd!

**THE END**