



Bibo the Monkey Who Didn't Want to Share

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High up in the emerald canopy of Mount Makiling, a lively young monkey named Bibo scampered through the bright leafy branches. Bibo had a chocolate-brown belly and a warm, sweet smile, but he struggled with one troublesome habit. Whenever he found delicious food in the jungle, he refused to share even a single bite with his forest companions.



One sun-dappled afternoon, Bibo swung into a quiet clearing and gasped with delight at an extraordinary sight. Towering above the ferns was a grand tree heavy with big, sweet, brilliant yellow bananas glowing in the sunlight. His eyes sparkled as he realized he had discovered the delicious grand prize of the forest.



Instead of calling his friends, Bibo immediately climbed up into the fruit-laden branches to keep the entire harvest secret. He stuffed his mouth eagerly, whispering greedily to himself that every single banana belonged only to him. He vowed that no other creature would receive even a piece of his glorious feast.



Soon after, Kiko the Rabbit and Lina the Tarsier wandered slowly beneath the green leaves looking exhausted. They had spent the entire morning searching the thickets without finding anything to eat. Spotting Bibo surrounded by stacks of fresh bananas, their tired eyes lit up with hope.



Kiko stepped forward gently and asked Bibo if he could spare just one banana to help them satisfy their hunger. Unmoved by their tired faces, Bibo wrapped his arms tightly around his pile and turned his back on them with a loud snort. He told them sharply to go find their own food and leave his tree at once.



Saddened by their friend's cold reaction, Kiko and Lina dropped their heads and walked away quietly into the shadows of the forest. Unbothered by their departure, Bibo kept gobbling up banana after banana as quickly as he could. Before long, he had devoured far more than his small belly could possibly hold.



Suddenly, a sharp, terrible pain twisted Bibo's swollen tummy, making him drop his banana peels in distress. He fell onto his side on a mossy branch, clutching his stomach and weeping soft tears of regret. Helpless and immobilized by the severe cramps, he realized he could not even stand up on his own.



Hearing Bibo's quiet cries echoing through the trees, Kiko and Lina stopped and turned back without hesitation. Seeing their friend in pain, they rushed to his side to help. Lina gently wiped the cold sweat from Bibo's forehead while Kiko quickly gathered soothing medicinal leaves to calm his aching belly.



Ashamed and touched by their tender care, Bibo looked at them with tears in his eyes and asked why they were helping someone who had been so mean. Kiko offered a gentle smile and reminded him that forest friends always care for one another, even in difficult moments. Bibo felt a deep wave of remorse wash over his heart.



After the soothing leaves calmed his stomach, Bibo smiled warmly and offered the remaining golden bananas to Kiko and Lina. As they sat together sharing the sweet meal beneath the shimmering sunlight, Bibo felt a joyful warmth he had never known before. From that bright afternoon on, he learned that sharing blessings with friends brings the purest happiness of all.