

The Hare Wins

The hare decides to play a trick on the elephant and the hippopotamus.

The hare says to Elephant, “My car has broken down in the river. You are big and strong”. “Can I tie this rope to your tail so that you can pull it out?”

“No problem”, says Elephant. Hare ties one end of the rope to the elephant’s tail.

Hare then goes to see Hippo. “My car has broken down on the riverbank. You are big and strong”. “Can I tie this rope to your tail so that you can pull it out?”

“No problem”, says Hippo. Hare ties the other end of the rope to the hippo’s tail.

Hare runs up the mountain to watch. “Pull!” he shouts.

Elephant and Hippo pull as hard as they can.

They pull and pull. For one day.

They pull and pull. For two days.

They pull and pull. For three days.

They pull and pull. For four days

At last the rope breaks. Elephant and Hippo realise that Hare has tricked them.

“If we ever see that Hare again we will break him in two.”

From that day on, whenever Hare sees Elephant or Hippo, he runs away as fast as he can.

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