

Humpty Dumpty

Once upon a time, a mother chicken made her nest. She named each egg carefully. When she came to the last egg, she called it "Humpty Dumpty." This fresh egg laid calmly on the edge of the nest. To feed her children, the mother chicken, Whitey-White, went off to the barn in search of something to eat. When she had gone, Humpty Dumpty's brother, Cuckly-Cut, who was in the middle of the nest, called out, angrily, "It's too small in this nest; move up there!"

"I can't move unless the others do," said Humpty Dumpty's sister; Cadaw-Cut and she kicked the egg next to her. So, they continued kicking one another and rolling around in the nest until one kicked Humpty Dumpty. Because he was on the edge of the nest, he was kicked out. When he rolled down on the floor, he was surprised to observe the barn door opened. Humpty Dumpty saw trees and green grass. He began to make roll when he heard a voice say, "Where are you going?"

Humpty looked around and found he was beside a little nest in which was one brown egg. The brown egg said; "Where are you going?"

"Who are you?" demanded Humpty;

"My name is Coutchie-Coulou," replied the small egg.

Both eggs stared at each other and without any hesitation, they knew they would begin an adventure. The companions wanted to explore the world. Coutchie-Coulou got out of the nest and together they came to the barn floor.

They arrived in front of the opened door.

"We must jump," said Humpty.

"I'm scared!" cried Coutchie-Coulou.

" Now,--one,--two,--three!" shouted Humpty Dumpty.

They jumped. Then, afraid their mothers would see them, they ran as fast as he could until he and Coutchie were behind a tree next to the barn.

Once outside, they immediately walked to a high stone wall, which had sharp spikes.

Their excitement was glowing from their eyes.

"I 'd like to see what is behind that wall but I don't think we can climb it." said Humpty,

"No, you are right," answered the brown egg, "but I see a little hole in the wall."

They ran to the hole and found it was just large enough to fit them. So, they squeezed through very carefully, in order not to break themselves, and soon they came to the other side. The brave comrades were now in a most beautiful garden, with trees and flowers. Suddenly, the two friends heard rumbling sounds. Too late, a horse passed by! Coutchie-Coulou could not move away and was crushed by the horse. Humpty was devastated and realised he had no friends in all the world.

"What will I do now?" cried Humpty Dumpty looking at the sky.

At that moment, he heard a voice. He stopped crying and slowly walked towards that sound. In fact, it was the loveliest sound he had ever heard. The curious egg pursued the sound until he saw a shadow under a tree. Meanwhile, a beautiful princess noticed Humpty Dumpty with his teary eyes. It was as if a miracle had just happened because she decided to take care of him. She took Humpty Dumpty in her hands and wrapped it around a tissue. The caring girl brought it back to her castle. It was easy so see he felt safe with the princess. They became great friends and lived happily ever after.





