







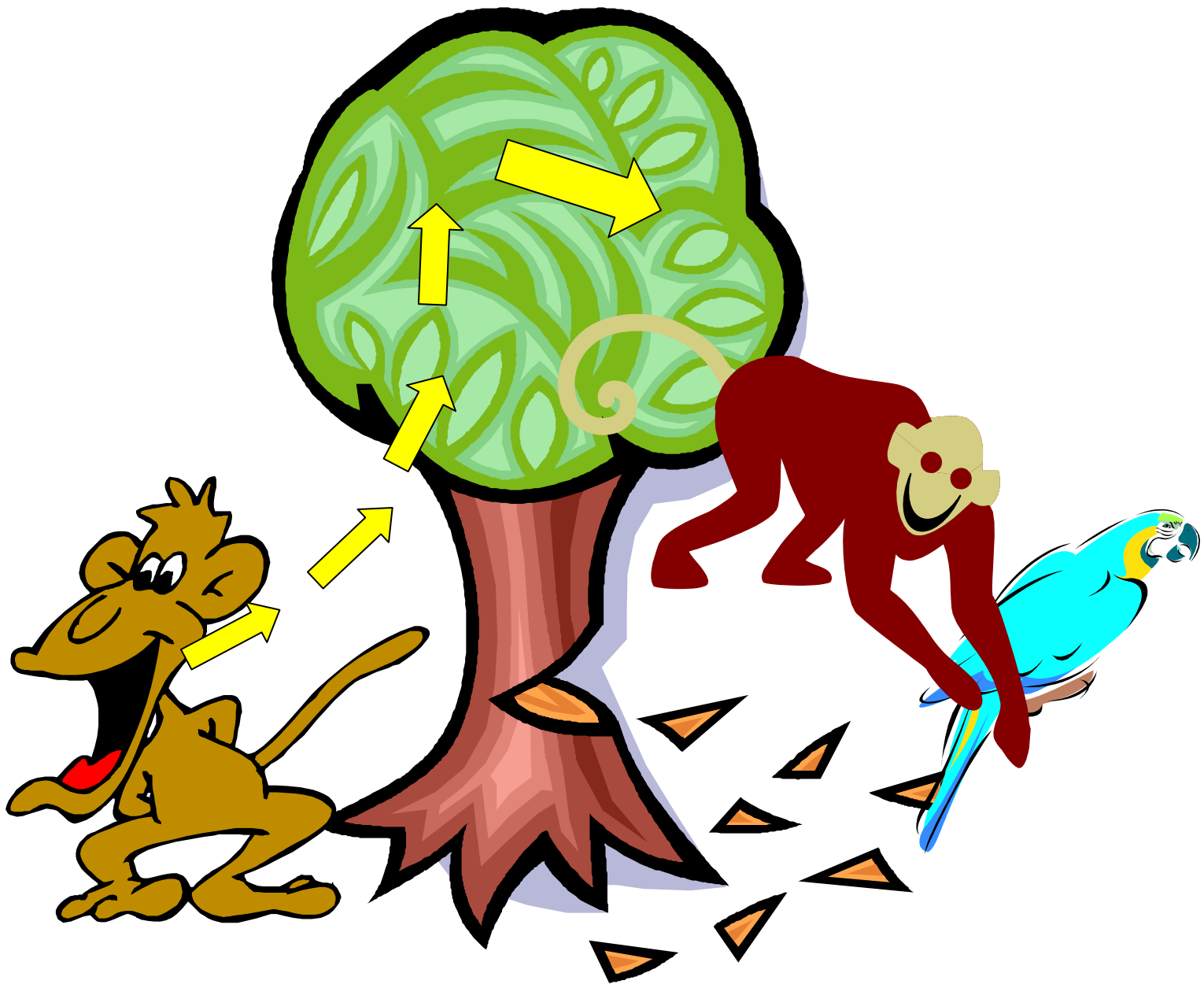
Help! Help!





We can help!

You can't climb trees!



Sophie the monkey

Once upon a time, there lived in the deep dark jungles of Africa, a lion. But this was no ordinary lion, oh no. You see, this was a very special lion. He was a King. He was the king of the jungle.

The lion king had a lot of friends who lived with him in the jungle. There was a zebra, a giraffe and a rhinoceros. They were very strong, they were very brave and they could run very, very fast.

"We are strong and we are brave," they used to say to anyone who would listen. "And we can run very fast. We can do anything!"

One day, a small monkey called Sophie came along. "Can I live in your jungle?" she asked the animals. "You? You want to live in our jungle?" the lion king replied. "Hmm... Let me see," the lion king said, scratching his head. "Are you strong?" he asked. "No, I'm not," replied Sophie the monkey. "Are you brave?" the other animals asked. "No, I'm not." said Sophie. "Can you run fast?" "No, I can't." "So," said the lion king. "You are **not** strong, you are **not** brave and you **can't** run fast. Tell me, little monkey, what **can** you do?" "I can juggle," replied Sophie, in a quiet little voice. The animals laughed. "Ha, ha, ha. That's nothing. Anyone can juggle. You can't live in our jungle." Sophie the monkey was very sad and she went away.

The next day a little bird came. It landed in a tree and it got stuck. "Help, help, I'm stuck, I'm stuck," the little bird squawked.

Along came the zebra. "I can help. I am strong, I am brave and I can run very fast". But the lion King said "You are strong, you are brave and you can run fast but ...you can't climb trees!"

Along came the giraffe. "I can help. I am strong, I am brave and I can run very fast". But the lion King said "You are strong, you are brave and you can run fast but you can't climb trees."

Along came the rhinoceros. "I can help. I am strong, I am brave and I can run very fast". But the lion King said, "You are strong, you are brave and you can run fast but you can't climb trees."

"What can we do, what can we do?" the animals asked. Just then, along came Sophie the monkey. "I can help," she said. "You? Don't be silly," said the animals. "You are not strong, you are not brave and you can't run fast. How can you help? You are only a very small monkey!"

"It's true," said Sophie the monkey. "I am not strong, I am not brave and I can't run very fast. But I can climb trees." "What!" replied all the animals. "You can climb trees?" they asked? "Yes, I can," said Sophie and she climbed to the top of the tree and rescued the little bird. "Thank you, thank you," said the little bird. "Thank you, thank you," said the animals. "You are a very clever little monkey, and you are very brave. Please live in our jungle with us." And so Sophie the monkey went to live with her friend the Lion King and all the other animals in the jungle.