

The Fox and the Stork

At one time the Fox and the Stork were on visiting terms and seemed very good friends. So the Fox invited the Stork to dinner, and for a joke put nothing before her but some soup in a very shallow dish. This the Fox could easily lap up, but the Stork could only wet the end of her long bill in it, and left the meal as hungry as when she began.



"I am sorry," said the Fox, "the soup is not to your liking."

"Pray do not apologize," said the Stork. "I hope you will return this visit, and come and dine with me soon."

So a day was appointed when the Fox should visit the Stork; but when they were seated at table all that was for their dinner was contained in a very long-necked jar with a narrow mouth, in which the fox could not insert his snout, so all he could manage to do was to lick the outside of the jar.

"I will not apologize for dinner," said the Stork...

Message: One bad turn deserves another.

Vocabularies:

1. Shallow- Measuring little from bottom to top or surface; lacking physical depth
2. Narrow- Of small or limited width, especially in comparison with length.
3. Snout- The projecting nose, jaws, or anterior facial part of an animal's head.

Let's Talk:

1. What is the story all about?
2. What did the fox serve to the stork?
3. Why did the stork leave the meal as hungry as he began?
4. What did the stork serve when the fox visited her?
5. What is meant by the given message of the story?

Do you also do foolishness to people who have fooled you