

TALEBEARING

The frog Daniela has woken up into the beautiful summer morning. She lives on the shore of one small pound with her sister Silvia and with her parents. She has stretched a bit, lazily gaped and jumped into the water to freshen a little bit. Today it is going to be a very special day for her. She is going to prepare breakfast on her own for the very first time. Better said she is not going to prepare it but on the contrary she is supposed to catch something to eat but on her own. Yesterday her mother thought their children to hunt flies, Daniela's the most favourite food. Under the water she closed her eyes and was imagining how clever she shots with her sticky tongue and how she is going to have a full stomach and while she was doing it,



she started to starve. She jumped on a waterlily and nearly threw down her sister Silvia. "What are you doing here?" She asked. "I am having my breakfast, sleepyhead". Answered Silvia with a smile on her lips, because she knew that Daniela liked to sleep for a longer time. Daniela sit down next to her and together they were ravening on flies. Daniela has suddenly seen one and really fast she shot with her tongue into the air. She closed her eyes and could not wait until she feels the great taste of a fly meat. But she was not lucky. Her sister Silvia had caught up that fly right before Daniela's mouth. Daniela was a little bit sad but she did not tell her sister anything and was waiting patiently for another one. But after the same situation was revised for the third time Daniela started to be angry she started to shout on her sister Silvia "why are you always steeling all my flies? You are not alone in here."

Ask your child:

Imagine yourself that you are Daniela. How would you feel?

In what way would you solve the situation?

(Let your children to express themselves, do not criticize them and do not advise them. At the end of this story your children will decide on their own, which solution was the best one. Whether it is their own or one of these stories.)

We will tell to ourselves the 2 stories:

The first story:

The very angry Daniela is on her way to see her mother. She is telling her everything about how Silvia stole her flies and immediately ate them down. The mother frog is going with Daniela to the pond and she is trying to talk o Silvia.

- "Silvia, why are you stealing Daniela's flies?"
- "Because I am hungry", answers Silvia.
- "So why do you not catch them on your own?"
- "Because Daniela is always the first and every time she overtakes me", says Silvia.
- "So", thinks mother frog and asks Silvia: "So you are hungry, but you cannot make it on time."
- "Yes" sadly says Silvia.
- "So what could be done, not to steal Daniela's flies?"

After a little bit of thinking Silvia says: "It would be super if we were changing during the hunt, I mean that you will catch one fly and I will catch the other."

- "Daniela what are you saying on that? Do you agree with this idea?" Asks mother frog.
- "Yes mum, thank you."

Mum goes away and both starving frogs are changing during the fly hunt. They are having fun and along with that they have full stomachs.

The second story:

Let us get back to the angry Daniela, because she was stolen the flies right before her mouth when she wanted to catch some. Daniela says: "Silvia I am really angry, when I catch a fly and you always steal it from me and eat it down. I am trying to eat something, because I am hungry but there is a benefit always only for you. Do you think it is fair?"

But Silvia spitefully shouts back: "YES!"

Daniela answers back: "No it is not! Maybe it fits for you but definitely not for me. I am angry, I am hungry and I am sad, because you always steal my flies. Do you want me to feel like that?

Silvia answers back with a sad voice: "No Daniela, I do not want you to be sad and hungry. I apologize."

On this situation Daniela reacts back: "In what way would it worked for you?"

Silvia thinks a bit and says back: "So Daniela you know that you are always faster than me and catch the fly first before me, therefore I propose to change each other. Once I will catch the fly and another time you will catch the other one. What is your opinion on that?"

"OK Silvia once I will catch the fly and another time there will be your turn." Daniela nods. The frogs shake their hands on an agreement. Now they are catching the flies together and they are having fun.

Ask your child:

Was there any change when Daniela solved the situation without her mother's help?

What did Daniela do or what did she say, that Silvia changed her opinion and apologized to her?

Which story is better according you and why is it like that?

Do you remember how you solved the situation at the beginning of the reading?

Which solutions would you take into consideration now? (Would you decide for now?)

What kind of LESSON LEARNED we will take into the future?