

## A FRIENDLY WILD BOAR



In a thick forest, there lived a wild boar named Barong. Unlike other wild boars who were rough and destructive, Barong was a kind and friendly wild boar. He had a pair of long, sharp tusks, but he never used them to hurt other creatures. Barong preferred to spend his time searching for sweet potatoes and roots in the ground and then sharing them with his friends.

One day, Barong saw a small monkey crying under a leafy tree. It turned out the monkey was hungry and couldn't climb the tree to get the bananas. Barong approached the monkey slowly so as not to frighten him.

"Why are you crying, little monkey?" Barong asked in a gentle voice.

"I'm hungry, but I can't climb," the monkey replied, sobbing.

Barong looked at the monkey with pity. Without a second thought, he started digging the ground with his snout and found some sweet potatoes. He gave the sweet potatoes to the monkey, who ate them ravenously.

From then on, the monkey and Barong became friends. The monkey often accompanied Barong in his search for food, and Barong always protected him from danger. Their friendship made the other animals in the forest jealous and bewildered. "How can a wild boar and a monkey be friends?" they whispered.

However, their friendship was tested when the dry season arrived. Water sources in the forest began to dry up, and food became scarce. The other wild boars started stealing food from each other, and arguments often broke out. Barong also felt worried, but he continued trying to find food for himself and his friend.

While searching for food, Barong and the monkey found a fruit tree that was still bearing a lot of fruit. The fruits looked very tempting, but the tree was guarded by a greedy and mean monkey. The monkey did not allow anyone to take the fruits except for himself.

Barong and the monkey felt hopeless. "We will never be able to get them," the monkey said sadly.

But Barong did not give up. "We have to find a way," he said.

Barong remembered the good deeds he had done. He asked the monkey to seek help from the other animals he had previously helped. It turned out Barong's kindness was not in vain. The animals, including a rabbit and a squirrel, were willing to help.

Working together, they managed to outsmart the mean monkey and get the fruits from the tree. They shared the fruits with all the animals in the forest, so everyone could survive the dry season. Barong and the monkey became even more respected and loved by all the animals in the forest.

The moral of this story is that kindness and friendship will bring goodness and happiness, even in difficult times.