

The Green Apple

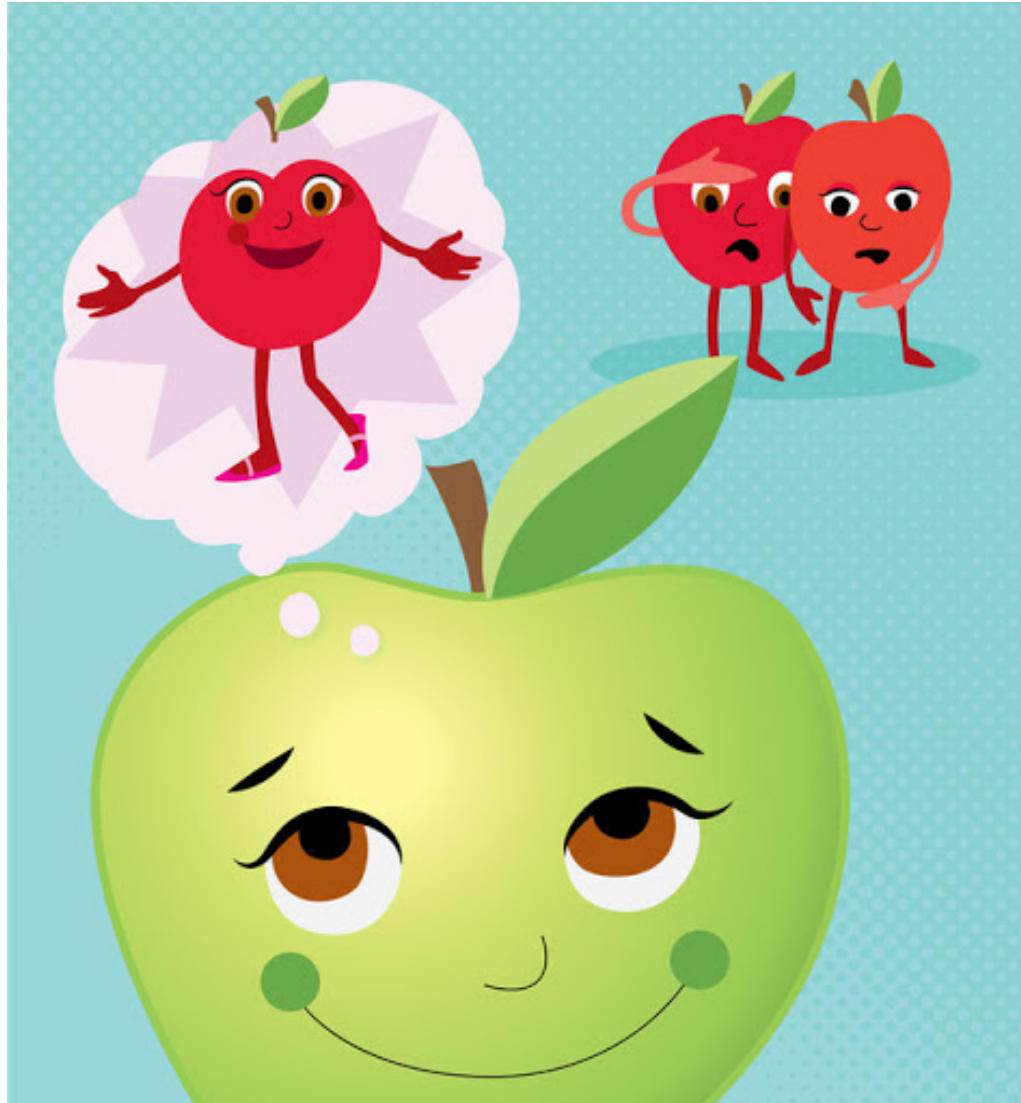
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Green Apple felt left out. All the other fruit at the market were a beautiful red.

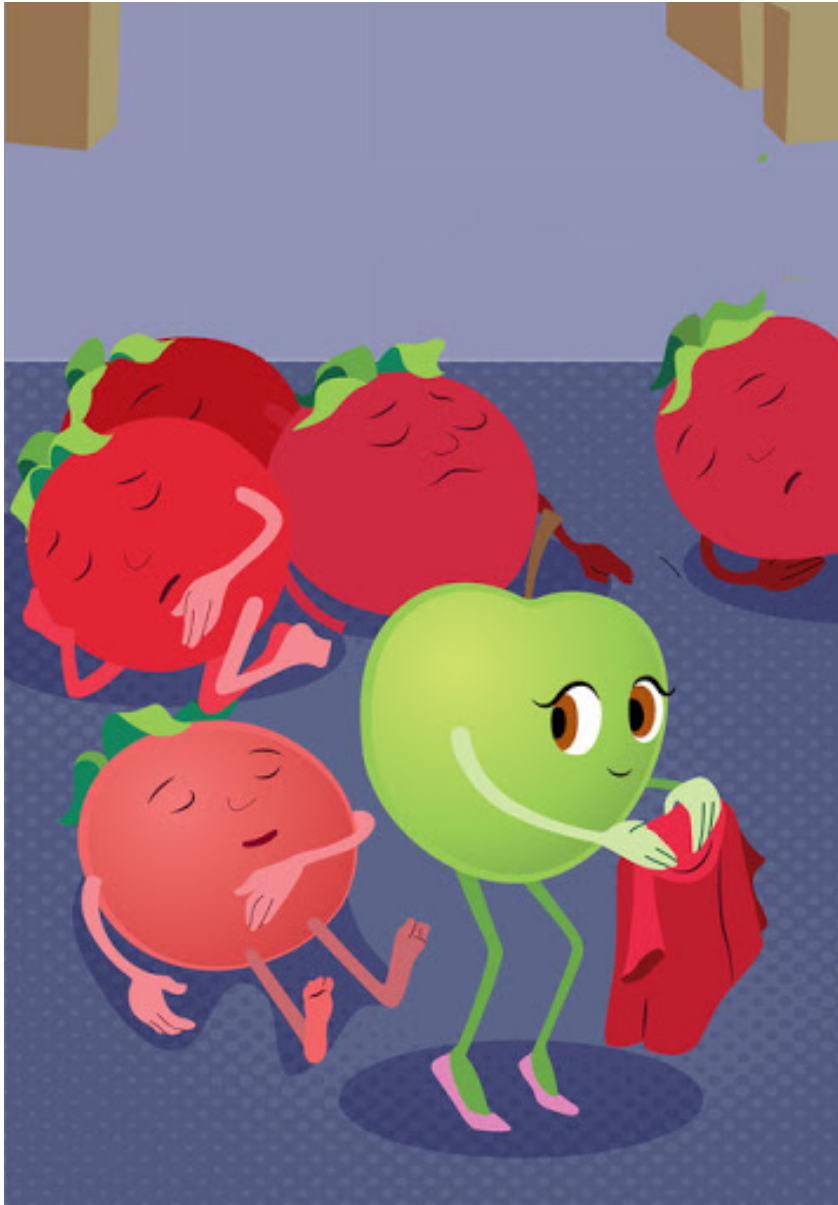




Green Apple wants to be red, too.



That night, Green Apple
couldn't sleep. She tried to
think of a plan.



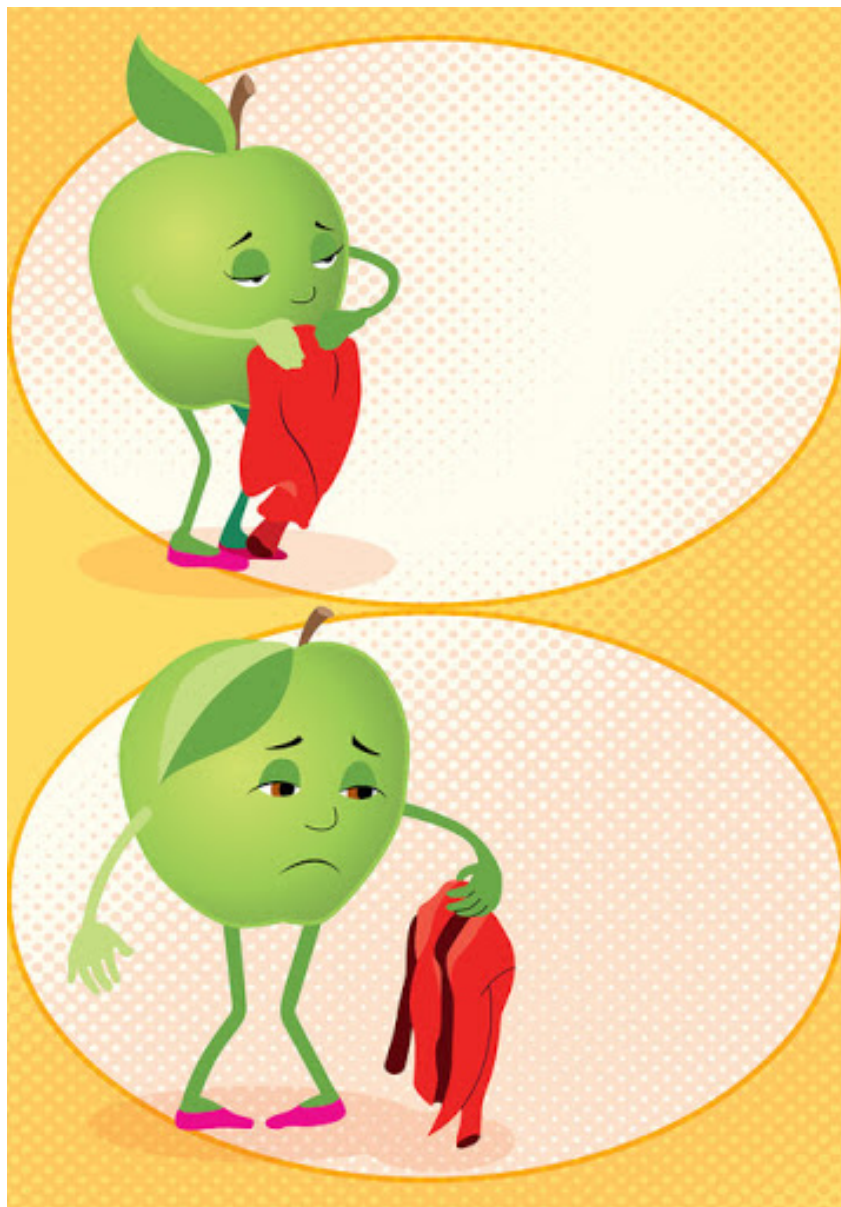
She tiptoed up to Red
Tomato. She took his jacket!



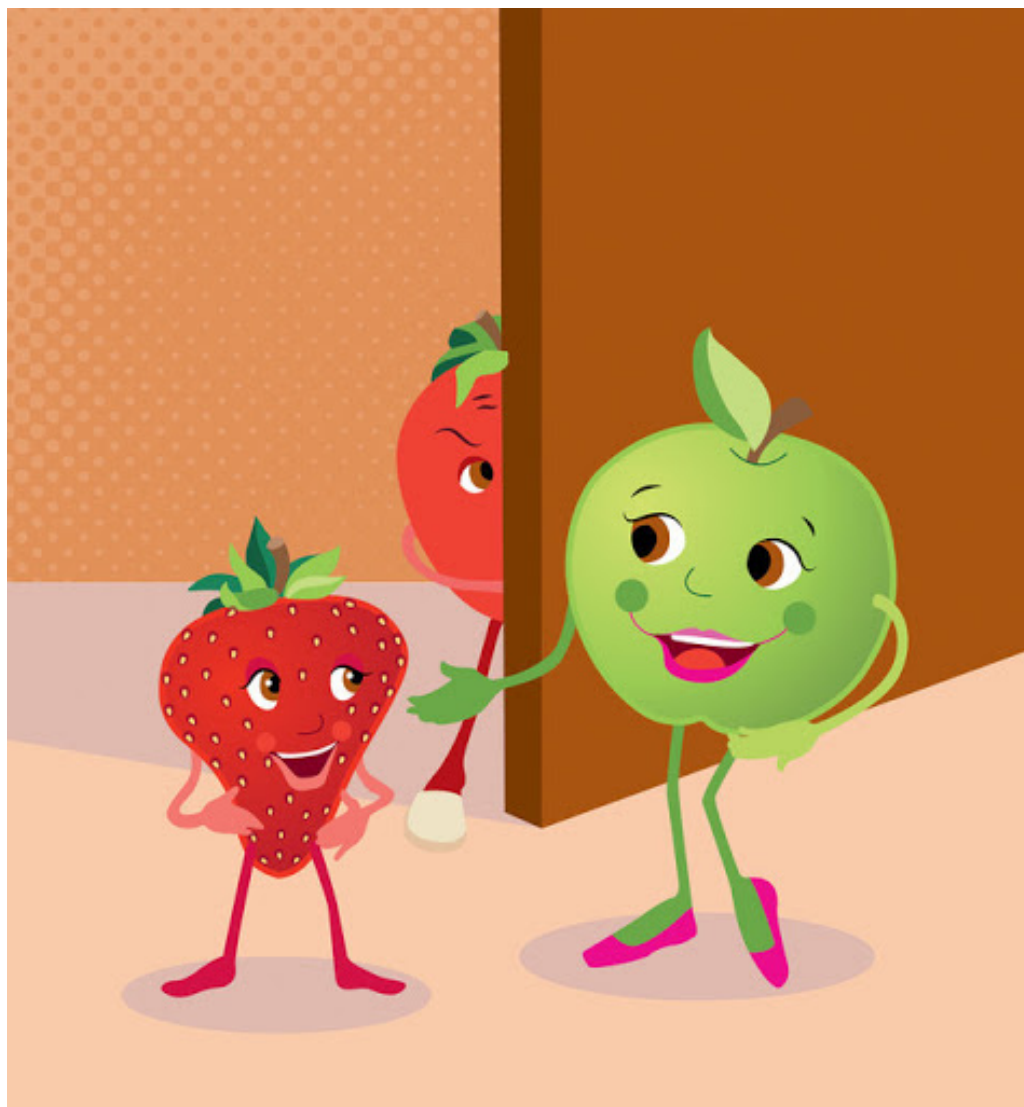
The next morning, Red Tomato was furious when he realized that his jacket was gone.



Green Apple was putting
on the jacket. 'Take it off!'
shouted Red Tomato.



Green Apple took off the jacket. She gave it back.



But Green Apple did not give up! She befriended Strawberry.



That night, Green Apple
sneaked up to Strawberry.
Strawberry opened one eye
and asked, 'What are you up
to?'



Green Apple began to run.
The tomatoes, strawberries
and red peppers all chased
her away!



Green Apple soon reached the forest. She got another idea.



She
came across Chameleon.
'Sir Chameleon, I know you
can change colours," Green
Apple said. "Can you please
make me red?'



Chameleon told her, "Go to the mountain, and collect long leaves."



Green Apple went to the mountain. But it was so high! She collected leaves from the bottom of the mountain instead. She took them back to Chameleon.



Chameleon ate up the leaves. He touched Green Apple with the tip of his tail. Green Apple turned purple! 'You gave me the wrong leaves,' Chameleon sighed.



'I am sorry,' said Green Apple. 'Oh, shame,' said Chameleon. 'Who has heard of a purple apple?'



Green Apple looked at her hands. I liked it better when I was green, she thought.



"All right," Chameleon said.
"Now run away from the
forest, and do not look
back."



Green Apple met a boy.
'Apple, apple, please be my friend, he said. "I love your green colour.' Green Apple looked at herself. She was green!



Green Apple was happy
to have found a friend.
She was happy to feel like
herself again.

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