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A mysterious egg needs the help of a cranky sheep to find its mother. The sheep and egg form a surrpising bond.

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One morning a sheep was enjoying fresh grass in a green field. As the sheep munched away, an egg suddenly moved. The egg opened its eyes and said, "Mother!" The sheep jumped back and said, "Baa! I'm not your mother. Have you ever heard of a sheep laying eggs?!"

The egg asked, "Whose egg am I?" The sheep sniffed and said, "You must be a bird's egg.""Will you take me to my mother?" the egg asked. Annoyed, the sheep said, "Do I look like I don't have anything better to do? I don't have time!" "Please," the egg pleaded. "I don't like birds! They ruin my fluffy wool when they land on me" The sheep walked away and the egg began to cry.

The sheep came across a fox. The fox was looking at the egg with greedy eyes. "What kind of egg is that? It will be breakfast in the morning," said the fox with a laugh. The sheep said, "I don't know what kind of egg it is." "Isn't it a camel's egg?" Said the fox. "Smarty-pants Fox, don’t you know, there aren't any camel birds around," said the sheep. Hearing this, the egg ran up to them and asked, "Am I a camel bird’s egg?" The fox licked his lips when he saw the egg.

The sheep quickly said to the egg, "Egg baby! Can I give you a ride?"The egg jumped onto the sheep's back and said, "This is so fun!" The sheep started running and the fox tried to follow. The sheep ran faster and said, "The fox wanted to eat you." Frightened, the egg held on tighter and said, "What would've happened if you weren’t there?" The sheep said, "Stop worrying. The fox is gone. Now, let's go to the bird sanctuary. You may be a bird's egg."

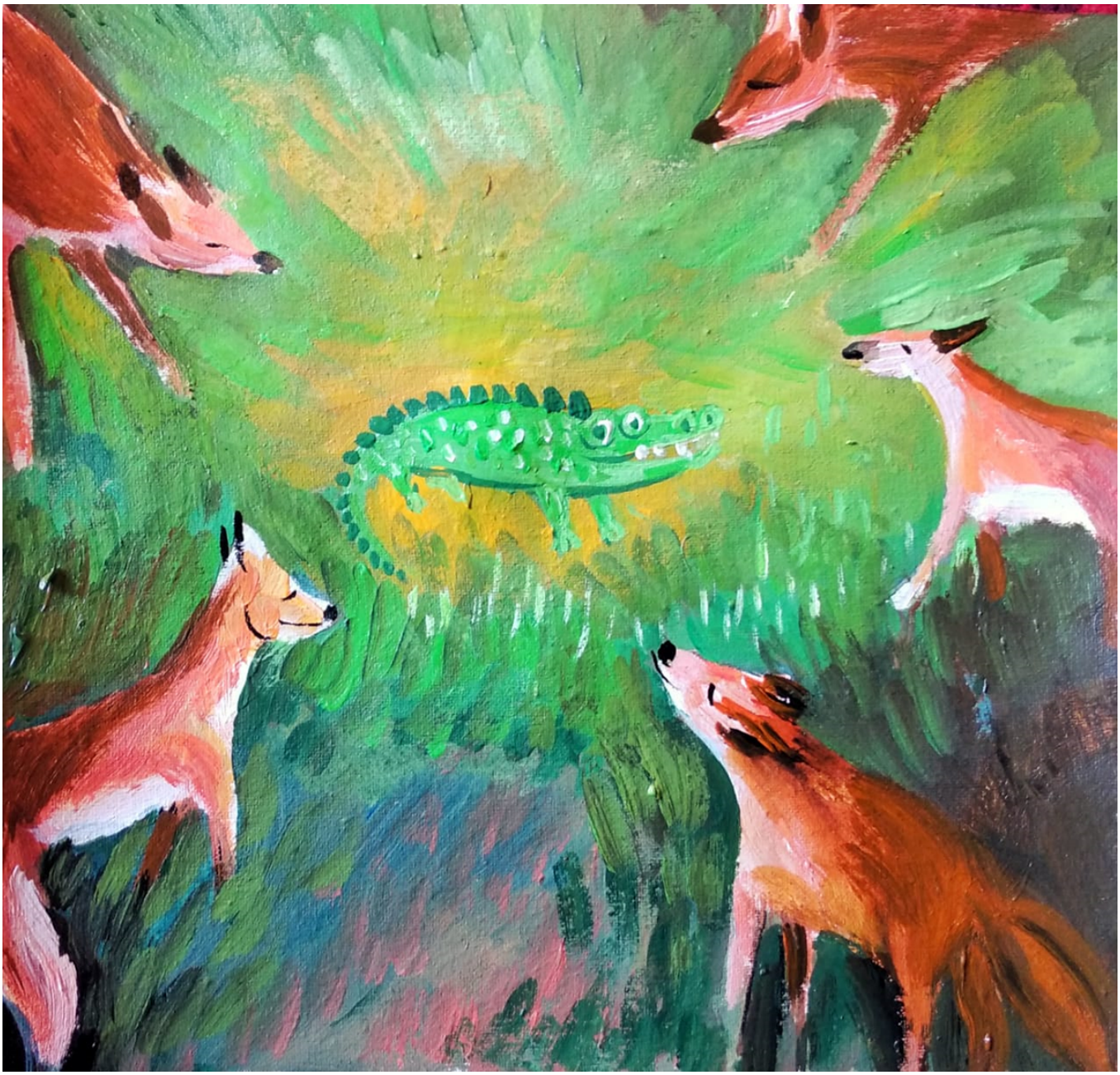
On their way they saw a big elephant. Seeing the elephant, the egg excitedly asked, "Am I your egg?" The elephant couldn't see the egg. He grabbed the sheep's ear with his long trunk. "What did you say!?" he asked angrily, thinking the sheep was making fun of him. "Sorry!" the sheep said. "The egg is very young. He doesn’t know whose egg he is." Then the sheep quickly ran away.

After a while they stopped to rest. The sheep said, "Don’t talk too much! If you do, I'll leave you here. Do you understand?" Egg hid in sheep's wool feeling sad. A horse was eating grass near them in a green field. The horse looked at the egg on the sheep's back. "Am I your egg?" Egg asked the horse. The horse started laughing! The horse said, "Do you want to be a horse's egg? Hahaha." The sheep gave the egg an annoyed look.

They finally arrived at the bird sanctuary. It was filled with colorful birds. The sheep asked all the birds, "Have any of you lost your egg?" The birds said, "No, we've counted all our eggs. Not a single one is missing." The egg was heartbroken. More birds came back to the sanctuary. None of them were missing an egg. One day passed, then two days passed.

The sheep got annoyed and said "Enough! I'm done helping you. Now you're on your own." "I don't even know where to go tonight, it's getting dark!" Egg said and started crying. "Okay, we'll part ways in the morning! Do you understand?" said the sheep. They lit a fire and fell asleep. As soon as the sheep woke up, he realized someone was sitting on his back. "C...c...crocodile?! Where did you come from? Have you eaten the egg!" asked the sheep, worried. "I am that egg. My shell cracked last night and I hatched," said the crocodile hatchling. "So you were a crocodile egg!" the sheep said, surprised. "I was a crocodile egg! Can we find my mother now?" the egg asked happily. Frightened, the

sheep said, "No, your mother will eat me up with her sharp teeth! The crocodiles live in the canal over there," the sheep said, pointing towards the water. Then the sheep left. The crocodile hatchling felt upset.



The sheep had finally freed himself of the egg. But he couldn't even eat grass, all he could think about was the baby crocodile. Meanwhile, the crocodile hatchling had gone out alone in search of its mother. As the crocodile hatchling approached the canal, a pack of foxes surrounded it. They were just about to eat the hatchling when suddenly someone stood in the way. "Sheep, you came back for me!" said the crocodile hatchling with wonder. Suddenly a fox bit the sheep's leg. The crocodile cub saw this and bit the fox's nose. The fox screamed in pain and released the sheep. The baby crocodile jumped up on the sheep's back. He held on tight as the sheep ran away. The foxes couldn't catch them.

The sheep ran straight to the bank of the canal, and then he collapsed right in front of a big crocodile. "Look at this delicious sheep. Lunch will be good today," the crocodile said. Hearing this, the sheep got scared but was too tired to run away. More crocodiles were coming out of the water. The big crocodile spread its mouth open to eat the sheep. "Stop!" the crocodile hatchling shouted. The big crocodile could recognize her baby crocodile by looking at it. She said, "You look exactly like me. You’re my lost egg!" The mother crocodile hugged her hatchling. The crocodile hatchling told all the crocodiles everything the sheep did for it. Grateful, the mother crocodile said to the sheep, "If I find that pack of foxes, I'll give them a bite for you." From then on, the

crocodiles and sheep became friends. But the fox pack had better watch out.

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