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**CHAPTER NAME: BUKKA LEARNS A LESSON** 

**SUBTOPIC: LOUD READING, EXPLANATION & NEW WORDS** 

## CHANGING YOUR TOMORROW

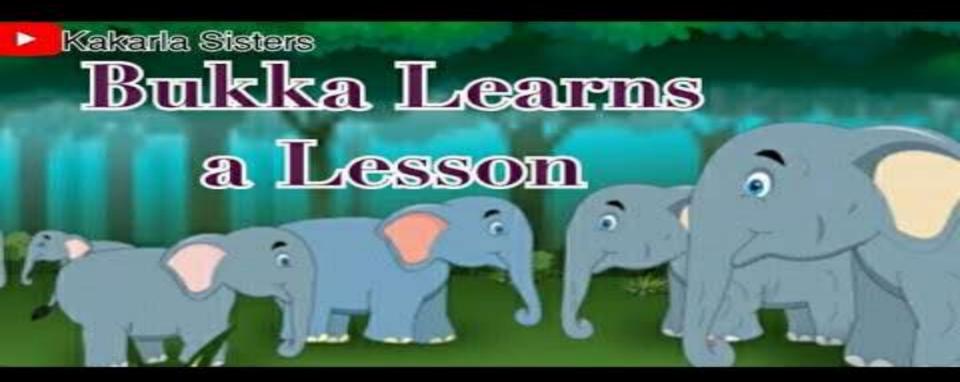
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This is the story about a spoilt elephant calf, Bukka who lived in a dense forest. There are no wicked animals in this forest and everyone lives in hamony.

There are flowers, butterflies, bees and snails, squirrels and rabbits and herd of elephants.

There are seven or eight calves in his herd. One can easily identify Bukka because of a white mark on his forehead. Bukka is loved a little more than the others because they have a belief that elephants with white marks on their forehead become leaders of the herd. Bukka lives a safe life by roaming in the jungle with his mother and other elephants. Elephants roam, eat and live together.

During that time the leader of the herd is a tusker, appearing large and powerful. Everyone in the forest fears and respects him.



Bukka admires him and dreams of growing up to be a leader. The older elephants teach the young elephants the rules of the jungle.

"It's very important to learn how to live in harmony," the leaders tell them time and again. Bukka listens without any interest.

Never break a branch of a tree without checking, there may be chicks and eggs of some birds. They might fall and die.

Never break the branches with flowers on them. Flowers have nectar. They attract bees and butterflies who are the matchmakers of the plant world. Without them there will be no flowers, fruits, seeds or new trees.





But Bukka doesn't listen anyone. The elders warn, "As they are all big animals, so when they sit or lie down on the ground , they must watch out for snails. Otherwise snails will be crushed with their weight.

The elder elephant advised they must inform other elephants in the herd ,if they get the news of good food and if any member of the herd faces danger ,everyone must rush to help. So everyone learn to live together.

The young elephants listen carefully but Bukka doesn't like to listen to all this. He knows that one day he will

become the leader of the herd. So he doesn't bother to make friends with those small creatures at all.

Bukka breaks the rules and all the animals are tired of his mischief. One day they complain to the leader of the elephant herd.



That night, like always, Bukka goes to sleep next to his mother's warm side. But in the morning, he wakes up surprised. He finds himself alone on the banks of the small pool.

There is simply no one!



There is no sign of elephant herd. He feels frightened and starts crying. He asks the squirrel. But the squirrel teases and said "Have you forgotten how you shook the branches and makes us fall? The squirrel makes a face and speaks. Bukka gets very angry.

As he further move into the forest, he meets a baby rabbit in the tall grass, who is playing hopscotch. When the mother rabbit sees Bukka , she stares at him with red angry eyes.

Bukka feels miserable and regretful. As he goes down the jungle road, he meets the colourful butterflies and asks meekly about his mother and the elephant herd, but he moves away from there without getting any result. All the creatures who had a grudge against Bukka start a chorus: "Bukka is naughty! Bukka is wicked! Everybody has left Bukka!"

Bukka cries a lot and falls asleep beside the pool. Next day when he wakes up , he can't believe his eyes! He finds himself sleeping in the middle of his herd,next to his mother's warm belly. Bukka thinks that it's dream and from that day, no one has complained about Bukka ever again.

## **WORD BASKET**



Crestfallen - sad and disappointed

Grudge - a strong feeling of anger

## **LEARNING OUTCOME:**



The students know that one should respect elders and their words.

One should not put anyone in trouble.



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