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**Fox and Crow**

A crow took a piece of cheese out of a cottage window and flew up into a high tree to eat it. A fox came and saw this and sat underneath the tree. He began to tell the crow how beautiful she was. He said, "Your feathers are so white and your body is so graceful. No bird is more beautiful than you are. Your voice is also tolerable. The crow was very flattered but decided to show the fox that she had a good voice. She began to sing and at the same time dropped the cheese out of her mouth. The fox took this and laughed at the crow. How gullible she was!

Moral:

Most people like to hear nice things about themselves but be careful! Maybe the person who is saying this has a different motive.

**Vocabulary:**

cottage - small house in the country, flattered - compliments in order to win favor, gullible - easily taken in or tricked

**Match the answers to the questions:**

-She flew up in a tree. - He took a piece of cheese. -Because the crow began to sing. -At first he flattered her. - People like to hear nice things about themselves. - Because the crow believed everything he said. - Yes he was. - He was under the tree.

1. What did the crow take?

**He took a piece of cheese.**

2. What did she do then?

**She flew up in a tree.**

3. Where was the fox?

**He was under the tree.**

4. Was the fox nice to the crow?

**Yes he was.****At first he flattered her.**

5. Why did the cheese fall down?

**Because the crow began to sing.**

6. Why did the fox laugh?

**Because the crow believed everything he said.**

7. What does the moral say?

**People like to hear nice things about themselves.**