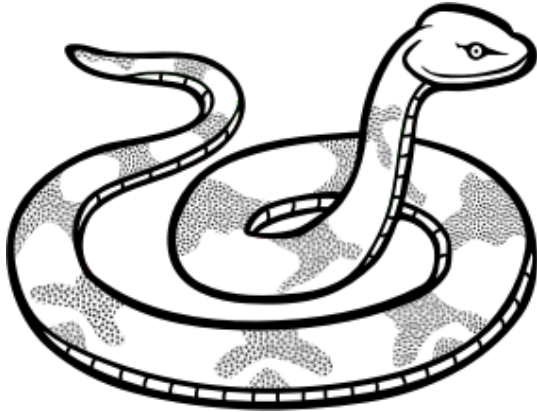


Name _____

Date _____

The Thief



Many animals lived in a forest. They were all good friends of each other and worked really hard to find food for themselves. They would always collect some extra food and keep it under a huge trunk tree so in case of rain or snow, they would not remain hungry.

It would often rain in that forest and they would take out the food from under the tree and eat that. But one day, when they went to that tree, the food was already taken away. This happened several times. Now they knew somebody was stealing their food and they must take an action to catch the thief.

The animals picked up a huge net from the ground which some hunters had left behind and arranged it near the tree.

Three days passed by. Nobody dared to go near that tree. The fourth day, however, they all heard a shriek. "Help, Help", somebody was shouting. They ran to see the thief who was caught in the net. It was that evil black snake whom they all disliked. The snake was feeling embarrassed of itself and promised that he would never do this again.

The Thief

Answer the following questions.

1. Why did the animals work hard?

2. Why did they collect extra food?

3. What happened to the food?

4. What did they do to catch the thief?

5. What happened on the fourth day?

6. Who was the thief?

7. remain

- a. stay
- b. fish
- c. trace
- d. note

8. evil

- a. cute
- b. naughty
- c. rude
- d. wicked