

The Friendly Mongoose

Source of the story:

- This interesting tale of a mongoose tells about the relationship between humans and animals.
- The story has been taken from famous *Panchatantra*.
- It is an ancient Indian collection of interrelated animal fables in Sanskrit verse and prose.
- The author of this gargantuan work is Vishnu Sharma.

About the story:

- There lived a couple and they had a new born baby boy.
- They decided to buy a pet for their kid's company.
- Agreeing on the idea, they bought a small mongoose which grew to its full size quickly.
- The story goes on and one day while the couple is out, the mongoose protects the child from a snake but is mistaken by the mother to be a killer of her child.
- The mongoose dies while the woman weeps and regrets the result of her mistrust.