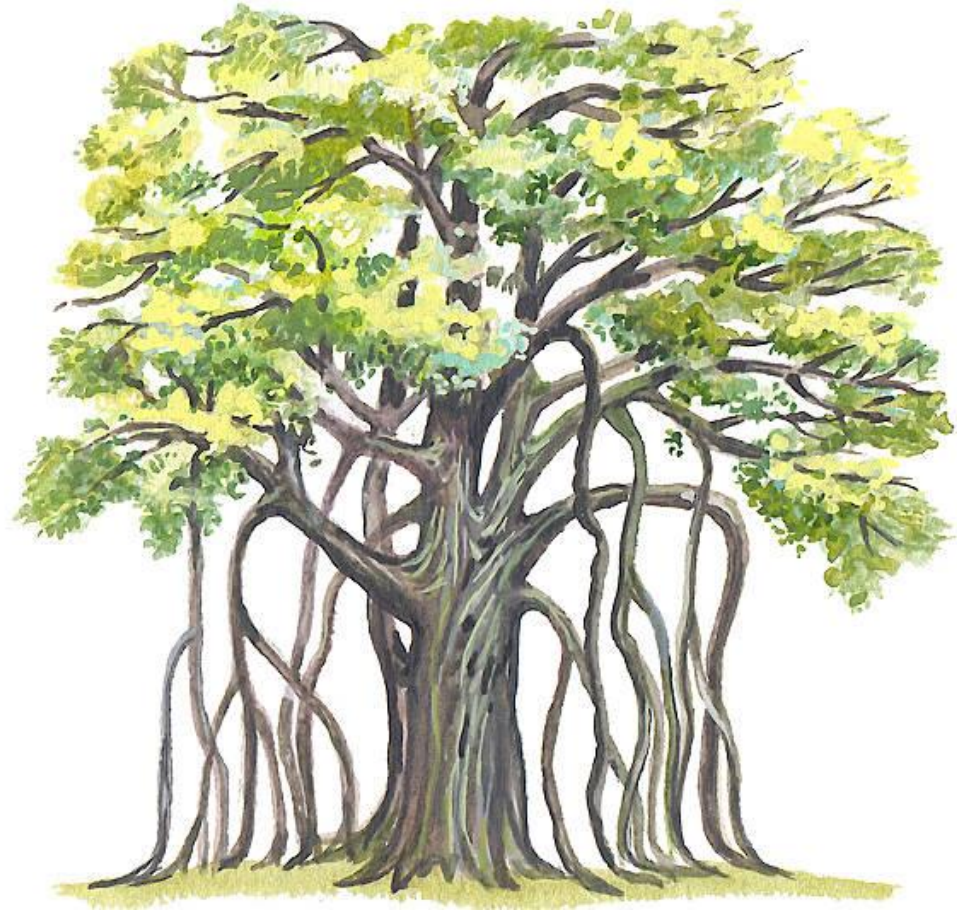




What happened to the Reptiles

Zai Whitaker

FUN WITH WORDS

- Mossy : covered with moss
- Terrible : extremely bad
- Grumpy : bad- tempered
- Anxiously : uneasy, worried
- Screamed : shouted
- Frightened: afraid of
- Fearless : bold, without fear
- Straggling : to spread in a scattered manner





Before we read:

India is a land of diversity in terms of caste, creed, religion and language of the people.

Sometimes a minor incident can lead to a major cause for heavy loss of lives and property which may result into intense situations and even riots.

Keeping the same in our mind, let's get deep insight into the lesson-

SUMMARY OF THE LESSON

Once a religious riots broke out in Prem's village. He ran away from his village and came to Pambupatti.

Pambupatti is a village where many people of different religion, caste etc. live together peacefully.

Prem is well- taken care of by an old man who tells him a story of reptiles like snakes, tortoises, lizards etc. who lived in the village long back.



The jungle animal would meet every month. The president of their meeting was a giant crocodile, Makara. One day he wrote a letter to the tortoises ordering them to leave the jungle.

Poor tortoises had no choice. In their absence, the forest started smelling very bad.

Next, Makara ordered the snakes to leave the jungle.. Now in their absence rats and frogs grew up in great number. The crocodiles became helpless at their trouble. Rats and frogs even ate their eggs.



One by one all the animals started moving out of the jungle. This leads to rise of insects which was another problem to the crocodiles.

Finally, all the crocodiles, even Makara realized the importance of all the gone animals. They were called back to the jungle.

Within some days, all the gone glory of the jungle came back. Everything became normal as it was earlier.

Thus, after hearing the story, Prem decides to go back to his village. He understood that everyone has their own equally important role in the society.

**THANK
YOU**