

The Raven and the Fox (based on a fable by La Fontaine)

The Raven was sitting in a tree. In its beak ¹ the Raven had a piece of cheese. He was very happy about his cheese.

Suddenly the Fox came out of the forrest². The Fox saw, that the Raven had a big piece of cheese and said to himself: „I want this piece of cheese.“

The Fox walked to the tree, in which the Raven was sitting and spoke: „Good morning, Raven. You look really pretty today. Your feathers look very nice.“

The Raven looked at the Fox.

The Fox said: „You have a strong beak. I am sure you can sing wonderfully with it.“

The Raven smiled at the Fox.

The Fox spoke: „ I would love to hear you sing!“

The Raven liked the words of the Fox and opened its beak to sing.

Of course the sound he made was horrible.

The cheese fell out of the Raven's beak and in front of the Fox.

The Fox picked up³ the cheese and went away.

¹ beak: The „mouth“ of a bird, hard, opens nuts, birds use it to sing

² many trees together

³ take something off the ground