

In a lovely
green forest
there lived a
handsome
rabbit.

He was a
show-off.

He was
proud of his
good looks
and nice
nose.





Most of all he
was proud that
he was the
fastest runner
in the forest.

He would boast
about it often.

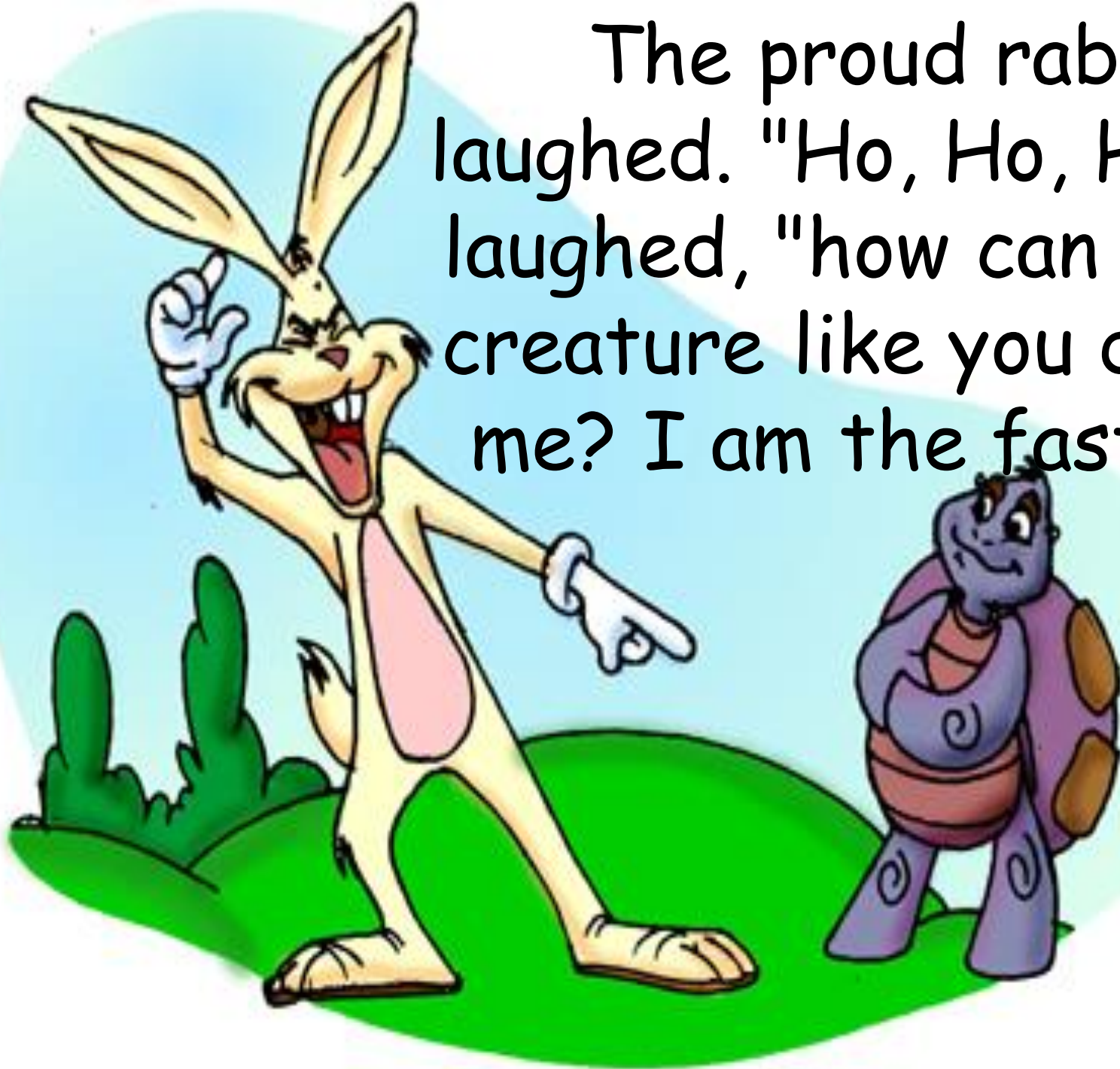
The animals
were very tired
of his boasting.

One day a turtle
thought that he
would teach the
proud rabbit a
lesson.

So, he called a
meeting and told
everyone that he
would race the
rabbit and even
defeat him.



The proud rabbit
laughed. "Ho, Ho, Ho!" he
laughed, "how can a slow
creature like you defeat
me? I am the fastest!"



"Let's have the race right now and I will show that I'm the best!" The turtle agreed.



All the animals came to watch. The owl waved the starting flag and the two were off.

The rabbit ran fast, the turtle slowly went on.
Very soon the rabbit was near the finishing line.



He was a little tired so he thought he would sleep for a while, "Ah, all this running has made me sleepy. The slow turtle will never catch up with me," he said.



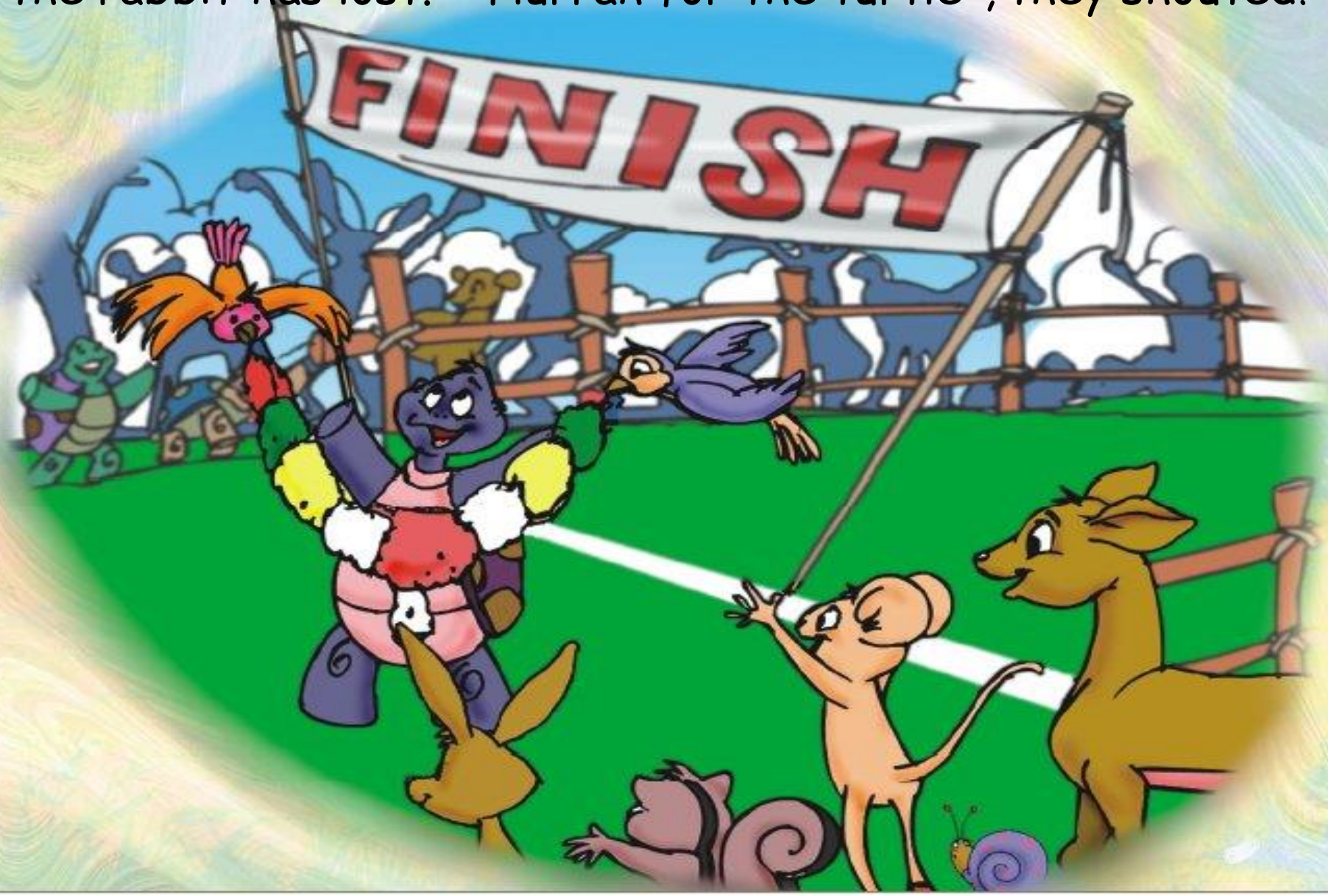
So he found a tree and fell asleep in its shade. He was sure that he would win the race even if he slept for a while, after all the turtle was much slower than him.





The turtle walked slowly, he came near the sleeping rabbit and went forward, and soon he crossed him.

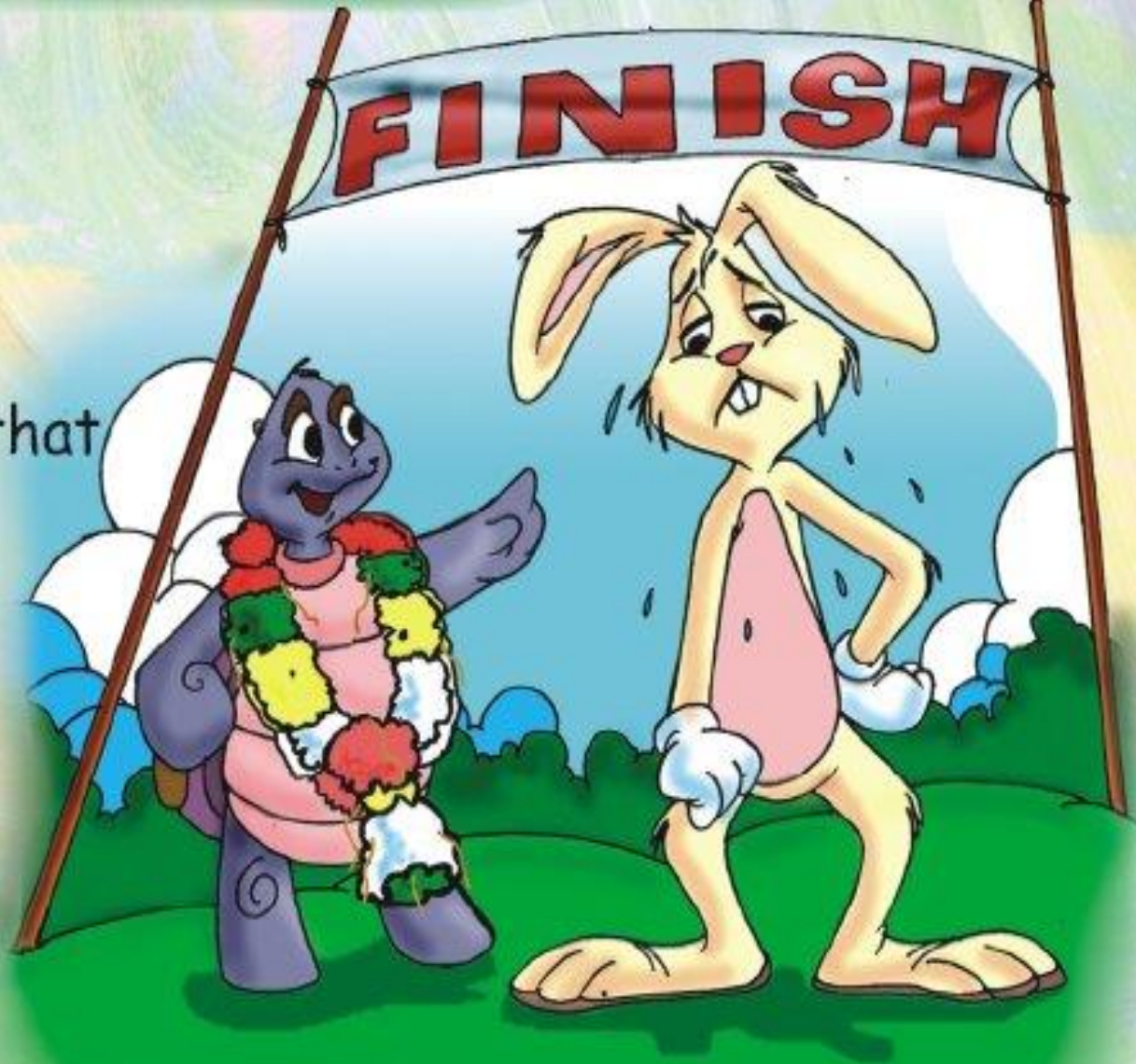
The turtle crossed the finishing line and he WON!
All the animals screamed and shouted, "They were glad that the rabbit has lost." "Hurrah for the turtle", they shouted!



Hearing the noise the rabbit woke up! He rushed to finishing line only to learn that the slow turtle had defeated him.



The turtle told him that
it was his pride that
made him loose.



After
that
day the
rabbit
gave up
his
pride
and
never
showed
off
again.

