

Going Nuts

NARRATOR

It was a fine day - sunny and fair, when Mista and Sista decided to find out more about how everything worked in their process. They wanted for everything to be perfect - from the very first bit of making their chocolate, to the very last, to make sure that everyone would be happy. So, they decided to set out to see how their peanuts were grown and if they were being cared for.

SISTACHOCO

I hope everyone is happy, now that we have the secret recipe!

MISTACHOCO

If someone is not - we will do our best to make them happy! Because we need everyone to enjoy our chocolate, just like we enjoy making it!

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They arrived at the Groundnut Pyramids in the evening, and were met with cheering and smiles from the animals who worked there, collecting the nuts to send to the factory, where the delicious chocolate was made. Being tired from their travels, the lions decided to rest before inspecting everything in the morning.

When the morning came, Mistachoco and Sistachoco were awakened by a very loud noise. The workers were panicked and shouting, trying to find who messed up during the night.

They walked out to find an incredibly surprising sight. The beautiful and tall Groundnut Pyramids were turned upside down during the night!

To find out what happened, Mistachoco and Sistachoco turned to the chief of the farm, Mr Raven.

SISTACHOCO

Oh my! What happened? Who did all this?

MR RAVEN

Don't worry! We will get to the bottom of this! And we'll get back to work as soon as possible!

MISTACHOCO

Why don't we start by asking the workers? Maybe they noticed something!

SISTACHOCO

Good idea!

MR RAVEN

I'll gather everybody and we'll have them answer our questions! I'm sure that by the end of the day we will find the culprit who made this mess!

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And so, Mr Raven gathered all the workers and they spent the whole day speaking to everyone who worked on the Groundnut farm. But with each person they spoke to they began losing faith and when the evening crept in - both Mistachoco and Sistachoco were very tired and found no hint about who turned the pyramids upside down.

Finally, the lions walked out and looked at the upside-down pyramids, wandering what could be done.

SISTACHOCO

I have an idea! What if one of us stays at the pyramids for the night and maybe we could catch the one who did this!

MISTACHOCO

It's an interesting idea, but are you sure they would return here?

SISTACHOCO

I heard that all naughty animals love coming back to see what they've done! I'm sure we can find out who it was if one of us stays at the pyramids.

MISTACHOCO

But I'm so tired from all the questions we asked. After all, there are a lot of farmers here.

SISTACHOCO

Don't worry and leave it to me! I'll stay and keep my eyes open through the night! By morning I will catch them.

NARRATOR

Seeing how determined Sistachoco was, Mistachoco left her to watch the pyramids, and went to sleep. She started the night by walking around the pyramids, seeing if she would be able to find any hints or traces

of whoever did all this. But she found nothing and began walking around just to see if she would catch who it was.

However, she soon felt very tired and sat down to have some rest. Unfortunately, she dozed off and woke up only in the morning, when one of the workers screamed from fright.

Jumping to her feet, Sistachoko looked around herself and found the pyramids messed up again - this time they were set up completely different and now surrounded her in very tall walls! Sistachoco ran along one wall and saw a dead end. Then she ran another way and found a few possible ways to go, but she didn't know which one to take. She suddenly understood that the pyramids had now turned into a giant maze! Fortunately, Sistachoco heard her brother call out her name.

MISTACHOCO

Sistachoco! Sistachoco! Are you alright?

SISTACHOCO

I must have fallen asleep in the night
and now I'm lost in this maze!

MISTACHOCO

Don't worry! Give us a little time, we'll
get you out of there!

MR RAVEN

Who could have done all this? Why? How
are we going to work now?

MISTACHOCO

Calm down! First, let's get Sistachoco
out of there!

MR RAVEN

Oh, dear! Let me fly up and see if I can
lead her out of there!

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And so Mr Raven flew up and circled around the giant maze. He found Sistachoko trying to get out and flew to her.

MR RAVEN

Follow me! I'll lead you out!

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Sistachoko followed Mr Raven and very soon she was out of the maze - safe with her brother and angry at whoever played such a bad prank at her!

SISTACHOCO

Oh, when I find out who did this, I will make them regret it!

MISTACHOCO

What if it isn't someone who is causing trouble?

MR RAVEN

What do you mean?

SISTACHOCO

Do you think it could be someone, who is trying to get our attention?

MISTACHOCO

Maybe. I think I will stay here tonight and try to see who it is!

NARRATOR

As the evening came, Mistachoco stayed by the pyramids - well, what was used to be pyramids and, unlike his sister, stayed up all night, walking around and sniffing the ground - what if the ones who made this mess return?

Ultimately, he got so tired that he layed down on top of one of the maze walls and dozed off.

But he was soon woken up by the nuts sliding down - with him on top of them!

MISTACHOCO

What is happening? Who is here? Show yourselves!

NARRATOR

The nuts beneath the lion stopped moving and Mistachoco looked down, seeing hundreds of worms rise from under the nuts they were carrying.

MISTACHOCO

Hello?

WORMY

Hello!

MISTACHOCO

Who are you and why are you messing up our groundnut pyramids?

WORMY

My name is Wormy, I am the chief of the worm colony. We've been living here for many, many years and fed upon the nuts you call yours! Now these farmers are taking all the nuts and leaving us without any food! We are trying to teach all of you a lesson!

MISTACHOCO

Oh. But why didn't you come to Mr Raven and tell him about your troubles? I'm sure he would have been glad to help.

WORMY

You farmers are so tall and proud! You barely look beneath your feet! We did send worms to speak to the chief of the farm, but he didn't even notice us!

MISTACHOCO

In that case, why don't you come with me and we all can discuss what can be done here. Because we need groundnuts to make our delicious chocolate but we don't want to harm anyone in the process. I am sure we can come up with a solution together.

NARRATOR

The worms agreed and Mistachoco took Wormy and his closest advisers to see Mr Raven. As soon as everyone was awake and the meeting began, the farmers heard all about how angry the worms were that the peanuts were taken out of the ground and that none were left for them to eat.

SISTACHOCO

Let's put our minds together and come up with a creative solution that will benefit us all? I agree with the worms - we can't just take and take from Mother Nature and never give anything back.

MISTACHOCO

I think we can start managing our resources in a smarter way. Adapt to what we have encountered. Maybe... leave a part of the nuts for the worms to feed on?

MR RAVEN

But what about the quantity of nuts we need to send to your factory?

WORMY

If you help us have food, we can help you with farming! We live in the ground and know where the richest soil is. You can plant groundnuts and harvest them, only if you leave a portion of it, or a separate field for us and our families!

MR RAVEN

And you will stop messing up our pyramids?

WORMY

Of course, we were only trying to get your attention...

SISTACHOCO

I think we can try this new way of farming. We will ask our new friends to show us where we can plant groundnuts and they will have a portion of them left for their families to eat! This way no more harm will be done and everyone will be happy again!

WORMY

If you agree, we will even help you build your Groundnut pyramids again! We are quite resourceful and creative!

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Mr Raven had no choice, but to agree - after all, he didn't want to cause any more trouble and wanted to see if the suggestion would work.

The worms helped restore the pyramids and began working together with the farmers, showing them where the soil was rich.

Very soon, the farms began producing even more peanuts than ever before! Mr Raven was very happy that sustainable farming paid off and that everyone was happy, his farmers, the worms, and Mistachoco and Sistachoco

And the lion siblings finally left the farm to return home, happy that they could help the farmers and worms get along.