

‘Good morning,’ said Cocky Locky. ‘Where are you going in such a hurry?’

‘The sky is falling! We are going to tell the king!’ said Chicken Licken and Henny Penny.

Cocky Locky looked up at the sky. ‘How do you know the sky is falling?’ he said.

‘A bit of it fell on Chicken Licken’s head!’ said Henny Penny.

‘O dear! O dear!’ said Cocky Locky, and he jumped up and down three times, because he was so worried. ‘That is terrible. I will come with you. We must hurry!’

Chapter 2

Danger in the Forest!



Chicken Licken, Henny Penny and Cocky Locky ran and ran, until they met Ducky Lucky.

‘Hello friends,’ said Ducky Lucky. ‘Where are you going? You all look very worried.’

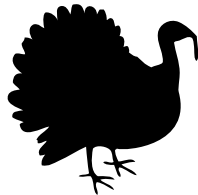
‘We are going to see the king. The sky is falling!’ the birds all said together.

‘How do you know the sky is falling?’ said Ducky Lucky.

‘Chicken Licken told us,’ said Cocky Locky. ‘A bit of the sky fell on her head!’

Ducky Lucky was very worried, and he flapped his wings three times. ‘O no! O no!’ he said. ‘Maybe the sun will fall too! Then how will we see? Let us hurry to the king, before it is too late!’

So Chicken Licken, Henny Penny, Cocky Locky and Ducky Lucky ran and ran, until they met Turkey Lurkey. They were all out of breath.

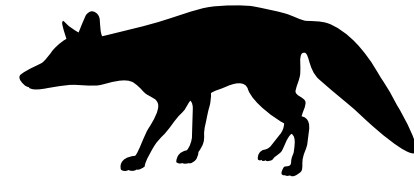


‘Why are you all running?’ said Turkey Lurkey. ‘Has something happened?’

They told him about the falling sky.

Turkey Lurkey was very worried. ‘O my! O my!’ he cried. ‘That is very bad. I will come with you. If we all run together, maybe we will go faster.’

So Chicken Licken, Henny Penny, Cocky Locky, Ducky Lucky and Turkey Lurkey ran and ran and ran. And it really DID feel like they were going faster. Soon they came to a big forest. There they met Foxy Loxy. The birds were very excited¹.



‘Where are you going?’ said Foxy Loxy.

‘We are running to the king,’ said Turkey Lurkey. ‘The sky is falling. Some of it hit Chicken Licken on the head!’

¹ *excited*—sounds like ‘ek-**site**-ed’.