

Mrs. Funny-Bunny's Carrot Pie

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There once was a bunny that lived in the forest. She was a wonderful friend to all the animals of the forest. They loved her because she believed in laughter, joy, and fun. In fact, she was so much fun that everyone called her Mrs. Funny-Bunny.

Mrs. Funny-Bunny had many friends, but her best friend was a fox named Mrs. Witchy-Witch. Mrs. Witchy-Witch was indeed a witch with magical powers and a heart full of laughter and fun like Mrs. Funny-Bunny.

One pretty autumn day Mrs. Funny-Bunny was busy baking a carrot pie for her son's sixth birthday party. Sonny-Bunny was excited as he watched his mother bake his birthday pie. She had invited all the children of the forest to his party. When Sonny-Bunny's birthday pie was baked she placed it in the window to cool and went to check on the carrot ice cream freezing in the freezer.

Sonny-Bunny's best friend was Rosco Raccoon. He had come early to play and was just walking in the door when they heard their friend, Blue Jay Bird, chirping loudly outside. He was very upset as he chirped.

"Stop him! Stop him! He's a thief!!!" Chirped Blue Jay Bird.

Mrs. Funny-Bunny had just walked back into the kitchen. They all watched as Blue Jean Rab ran off with Sonny-Bunny's birthday pie. This made Mrs. Funny-Bunny very angry. Without the birthday pie there would not be enough food for the party guests. What a terrible thing Blue Jean Rab did, especially when he had been invited to the party too.

Blue Jean Rab was the only bunny in the forest who wore blue jeans so everyone called him Blue Jean Rab. He was a very lazy bunny who loved to eat but did not like to work. He spent most of his time with his lazy friends doing nothing. When they got hungry they would steal their food because it was easier to steal it than work for it.

Today Blue Jean Rab was on his way home when he saw the pie in Mrs. Funny-Bunny's window. He knew it was for Sonny-Bunny's birthday party but he didn't care. He was hungry so he grabbed the pie and ran toward his house.

Mrs. Funny-Bunny watched Blue Jean Rab run away. Suddenly she got a wonderful idea how to get the pie back. She called Mrs. Witchy-Witch to come right over. Together they decided what should be done to Blue Jean Rab for stealing Sonny-Bunny's birthday pie. Then Mrs. Witchy-Witch said goodbye and trotted off to Blue Jean Rab's house. Standing at his window she could see the pie on the table. She cast a magical spell on the pie and left without Blue Jean Rab ever knowing she had been there.

Blue Jean Rab had no idea that Mrs. Witchy-Witch had cast a magic spell on the pie. He just knew that he was hungry and the pie would be cool enough to eat soon.

Sonny-Bunny's guests arrived right on time for his party, everyone except Blue Jean Rab. Instead Blue Jean Rab was just about to cut the pie when the pie began to cry.

"Please don't cut me. Please! Please!" cried the pie.

Blue Jean Rab thought he was imagining this for whoever heard of a pie that could talk and cry? So he started to cut the pie again when the pie cried out louder.

“What’s the matter with you? Didn’t you hear me? I said PLEASE don’t cut me!” yelled the pie.

This time Blue Jean Rab scratched his ears and looked around to make sure no one was playing a trick on him. He didn’t see anyone. Surely he was alone. So again he started to cut the pie when a very angry pie yelled.

“You creep!!!! You cut me and I’ll chop off your ears!!! I said PLEASE don’t cut me and I meant it! You’ll be sorry if you cut and eat me!!” shouted the pie.

Blue Jean Rab’s eyes got huge. The pie was indeed the one talking. He didn’t know what to do or say. The pie was scaring him and he wasn’t afraid of anything until now. Then something very strange happened. The pie changed its voice to sound just like Blue Jean Rab’s mother. It demanded to be taken back to Sonny-Bunny’s house at once or she would never fix another thing for him to eat for as long as she lived. That was a terrible thing to tell Blue Jean Rab. He loved his mother’s cooking more than anything else in the entire world.

This time Blue Jean Rab wasn’t going to ignore the pie. As fast as he could hop he went to Mrs. Funny-Bunny’s house to return the stolen pie. He arrived just as everyone was sitting down to eat. All the party guest could tell that Blue Jean Rab was upset and wanted to know why. Blue Jean Rab told them about the talking and crying pie who threatened to cut off his ears. Sonny-Bunny and his guests were amused by Blue Jean Rab’s crazy tale. Of course, they didn’t believe him but it sure made a funny story. Everyone laughed except Blue Jean Rab.

Mrs. Funny-Bunny and Mrs. Witchy-Witch laughed too. They had decided to never tell Blue Jean Rab about the magic spell in hopes that he would think twice before stealing anything again, especially a birthday carrot pie. However, as her birthday gift to Sonny-Bunny Mrs. Witchy-Witch had a very special surprise for his guest and him to enjoy. She told the children that since Blue Jean Rab said that the pie could talk then she would use her magic, just this once, to have the pie sing for them. The forest children listened as the pie sang, “Happy Birthday Sonny-Bunny.” It was a funny and magical touch for a wonderful birthday party for a very special bunny. The children were delighted and sang with the pie too. Blue Jean Rab didn’t sing though. He was still frightened by what the pie had told him earlier.

Now it was time to cut the pie and eat it. Yummy, yummy, delicious carrot pie! Everyone was very excited to eat it. That is, everyone except Blue Jean Rab. All the children invited him to stay and have a piece of the carrot pie that he had stolen but he refused. Do you think Blue Jean Rab would eat even a crumb of that wonderful and delicious Pie? ABSOLUTELY NOT!!!! Would you?