## Two Friends and One Panther

**Peter** and **Stark** were childhood friends. They always loved going into the forest together, searching for adventure.

One day, they went deep into the jungle. Suddenly, from behind the bushes, a **black panther** appeared. Its glowing eyes froze them with fear.

Peter quickly spotted a tall tree and, without thinking twice, climbed up to save himself. But Stark couldn't climb as fast and was left on the ground.

Stark suddenly remembered his grandmother's advice:

"Wild animals usually don't harm those who seem lifeless."

So, Stark lay flat on the ground, holding his breath. The panther came close, sniffed around his neck, growled a little, and then walked away, believing he was not alive.

When the panther was gone, Peter climbed down from the tree. Smiling nervously, he said: "So... what did the panther whisper in your ear?"

Stark replied with anger and pain:

"He told me never to forget that a true friend never abandons you in danger to save only himself."

## \* Moral:

A true friend is the one who stands by you in difficult times, not the one who only thinks of his own safety.