



THE MILKMAID AND HER PAIL





Patty the Milkmaid was going to the market carrying milk in a pail on her head.

As she went along, she began calculating what she would do with the money she would get for the milk. "I'll buy some fowls from Farmer Brown," said she, "and they will lay eggs each morning, which I will sell to the parson's wife."





With the money that I get from the sale of these eggs, I'll buy myself a new dimity frock and a chip hat, and when I go to the market, won't all the young men come up and speak to me! Polly Shaw will be so jealous, but I don't care. I shall just look at her and toss my head like this."

As she spoke that, she tossed her head back and the pail fell off it, and all the milk was spilt!



MORAL OF THE STORY:

DO NOT COUNT YOUR CHICKENS BEFORE THEY ARE
HATCHED.

TAKEAWAY FROM THE STORY

TAKEAWAY FOR CLASS 1,2,3

It's fun to dream, but it's important to focus on what you have right now and not get ahead of yourself.

TAKEAWAY FOR CLASS 4,5,6

Making plans for the future is good, but we must first take care of the present and not assume everything will go exactly as planned.

TAKEAWAY FOR CLASS 7,8,9

The story teaches us to stay grounded in reality and not to make plans based on things that haven't happened yet, as things may not go as expected.



3 FUN FACTS :

1. This fable by Aesop is all about learning not to get too carried away with unrealistic expectations.
2. In ancient times, carrying a pail of milk was a common task, and many people had to carry it on their heads.
3. Don't count your chickens before they hatch is a saying we still use today to remind ourselves not to get too ahead of our plans.



QUIZ TIME!

QUIZ FOR CLASS 1,2,3

1. What was Patty the Milkmaid carrying on her head?
2. What did Patty dream about buying with the money from selling the milk?
3. What happened when Patty tossed her head back?

QUIZ FOR CLASS 4,5,6

1. Why did Patty's dreams about the future end up being ruined?
2. What lesson can we learn from Patty's story?
3. How does the story teach us about staying focused on the present?

QUIZ FOR CLASS 7,8,9

1. Discuss why it's important not to make plans based on things that haven't happened yet.
2. How did Patty's daydreaming about the future lead to her losing what she had?
3. Can you think of a time when planning ahead without considering the present caused problems for you?





THANKS FOR READING!



THE END!

