

# Book Review -1

**Title:** *Panchatantra Tales*

**Author:** Originally by Pandit Vishnu Sharma (Retold by various authors in modern versions)

**Genre:** Ancient Indian Fables / Moral Stories / Children's Literature

**Main Characters:**

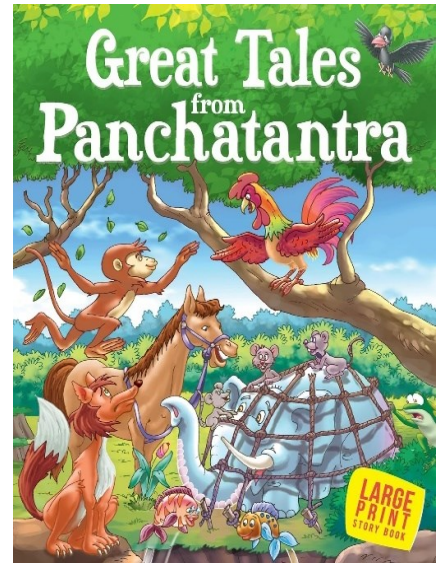
Each story features different animal characters with human-like qualities such as:

- **The Clever Rabbit,**
- **The Foolish Lion,**
- **The Crocodile and the Monkey,**
- **The Wise Tortoise,**
- **The Blue Jackal, etc.**

**Summary:**

*Panchatantra Tales* is a timeless collection of ancient Indian stories that teach important moral lessons through animal characters. The stories are short and simple, yet very clever.

Each tale usually ends with a clear message—such as the importance of wisdom, the danger of greed, or the value of friendship. One famous story, *The Monkey and the Crocodile*, shows how intelligence can save you in difficult situations. Another, *The Lion and the Clever Rabbit*, teaches that even the weak can defeat the strong with smart thinking.



**Themes / Message:**

The stories cover themes like:

- Friendship and loyalty
- Intelligence over strength
- Greed and its consequences
- Strategy and quick thinking
- Honesty and kindness



**Language and Style:**

Modern retellings use **simple and easy English**, making them suitable for students of all ages. The tone is engaging and the use of animal characters adds fun and interest to the moral lessons.

**Personal Response:**

I really enjoyed reading the Panchatantra Tales. They are short but very meaningful. The stories are not just entertaining—they also teach us how to behave wisely in real life. The cleverness of the characters, especially the rabbit and monkey, made the stories memorable.

**Conclusion:**

*Panchatantra Tales* is a valuable book for students. It teaches life lessons through fun and simple stories. Every school-going child should read it to learn values in an enjoyable way.

**Rating:** ★★★★★☆ (4.5/5)

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