

STORY: THE BIRTHDAY ELEPHANT

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There was once a little girl who, more than anything, wanted an elephant for her birthday. She went to her mom and said,

“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”

Her mom said, “No. But you can have a dog. So the little girl got a dog.

The dog barked, “Woof, woof, woof!”

The dog was nice but the little girl still wanted an... elephant! So she went back to her mom and said,

“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”

Her mom said, “No. But you can have a cat. So the little girl got a cat.

The dog barked “Woof, woof, woof!”
And the cat meowed, “Meow, meow, meow!”

The cat was nice but the little girl still wanted an... elephant! So she went back to her mom and said,

“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”

Her mom said, “No. But you can have a goose.” So the little girl got a goose.

The dog barked “Woof, woof, woof!”
The cat meowed, “Meow, meow, meow!”
And the goose honked, “Honk, Honk, Honk!”

The goose was nice but the little girl still wanted an... elephant! So she went back to her mom and said,

“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”

Her mom said, “No. But you can have a pig.” So the little girl got a pig.

The dog barked “Woof, woof, woof!”
The cat meowed, “Meow, meow, meow!”
The goose honked, “Honk, Honk, Honk!”
And the pig oinked, “Oink, oink, oink!”

The pig was nice but the little girl still wanted an... elephant! So she went back to her mom and said,

“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”

Her mom said, “No. But you can have a horse.” So the little girl got a horse.

The dog barked “Woof, woof, woof!”
The cat meowed, “Meow, meow, meow!”
The goose honked, “Honk, Honk, Honk!”
The pig oinked, “Oink, oink, oink!”
And the horse neighed. “Neigh, neigh, neigh!”

The horse was nice but the little girl still wanted an... elephant! So she went back to her mom and said,

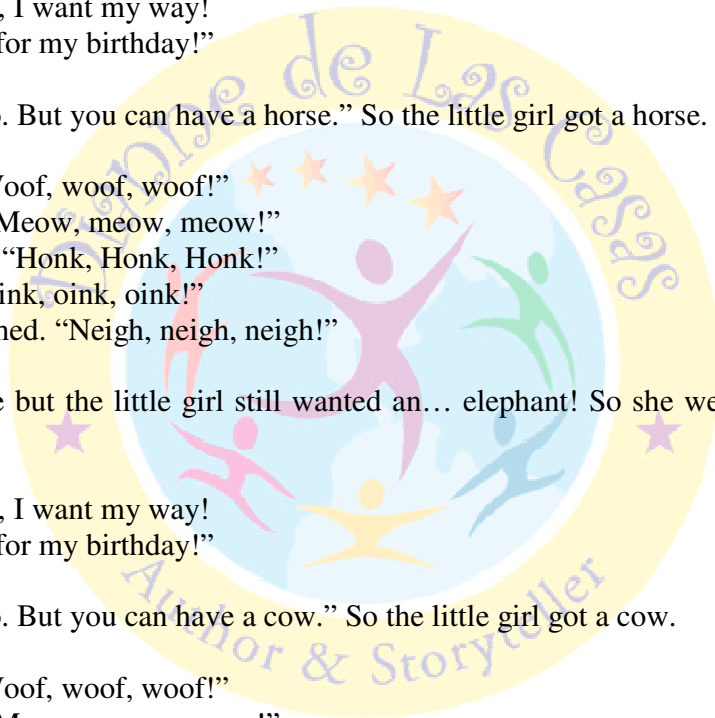
“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”

Her mom said, “No. But you can have a cow.” So the little girl got a cow.

The dog barked “Woof, woof, woof!”
The cat meowed, “Meow, meow, meow!”
The goose honked, “Honk, Honk, Honk!”
The pig oinked, “Oink, oink, oink!”
The horse neighed. “Neigh, neigh, neigh!”
And the cow mooed, “Moo, moo, moo!”

The cow was nice but the little girl still wanted an... elephant! So she went back to her mom and said,

“Mommy, mommy, I want my way!
I want an elephant for my birthday!”



Her mom said, “Okay! You may have an elephant for your birthday.” So the little girl got an elephant.

The dog barked “Woof, woof, woof!”

The cat meowed, “Meow, meow, meow!”

The goose honked, “Honk, Honk, Honk!”

The pig oinked, “Oink, oink, oink!”

The horse neighed. “Neigh, neigh, neigh!”

The cow mooed, “Moo, moo, moo!”

And the elephant stomped, “Boom, boom, boom!”

The elephant was nice but now, all the little girl really wanted was... some peace and quiet.

So all the animals went away

And the little girl had a quiet birthday!

