



## Story Summary

Read this abridged Aesop's Fable, *The Fox and the Crow*. Write a summary.

*One bright morning as the Fox was following his sharp nose through the wood in search of a bite to eat, he saw a Crow on the limb of a tree overhead. This lucky Crow held a bit of cheese in her beak.*

*"No need to search any farther," thought sly Master Fox. "Here is a dainty bite for my breakfast."*

*Up he trotted to the foot of the tree in which the Crow was sitting, and looking up admiringly, he cried, "Good-morning, beautiful creature!"*

*The Crow, her head cocked on one side, watched the Fox suspiciously. But she kept her beak tightly closed on the cheese and did not return his greeting.*

*"What a charming creature she is!" said the Fox. "How her feathers shine! What a beautiful form and what splendid wings! Could she sing just one song, I know I should hail her Queen of Birds."*

*Listening to these flattering words, the Crow forgot all her suspicion, and also her breakfast. She wanted very much to be called Queen of Birds.*

*So she opened her beak wide to utter her loudest caw, and down fell the cheese straight into the Fox's open mouth.*

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