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The Rabbit and the Coyote

Long ago, when the moon was still young and the stars whispered secrets to the earth, a **clever** rabbit was hopping through the desert when she heard a growl behind her.

"Stop right there, Dinner," *snarled the coyote.*

Rabbit froze, but only for a moment. "Me? Dinner? Surely you mean someone else," *she gasped.*

"I haven't eaten in three days!" *whined the coyote.*

"Well then," *she said with a shrug,* "you must be too weak to chase me!"

"Oh really?" *he snapped.*

Rabbit smiled slyly. "Let's make a deal," *she said, twitching her ears.* "If I can trick you before sundown, you let me go."

Coyote narrowed his eyes. "Deal," *he growled through his teeth.*