Juan Tamad and the Tikling Birds: A Filipino Folktale of Laziness and Perseverance

Juan Tamad is a Filipino folktale that teaches the importance of hard work and perseverance. The story follows Juan, a lazy young man who refuses to help his parents with the farm work. One day, he is visited by a group of tikling birds who offer to help him plant rice. Juan agrees, but he quickly falls asleep. The tikling birds finish planting the rice, but Juan takes all the credit. When the rice is ready to harvest, Juan refuses to help his parents again. The tikling birds return and help the parents harvest the rice. Juan is left with nothing, and he learns the importance of hard work.



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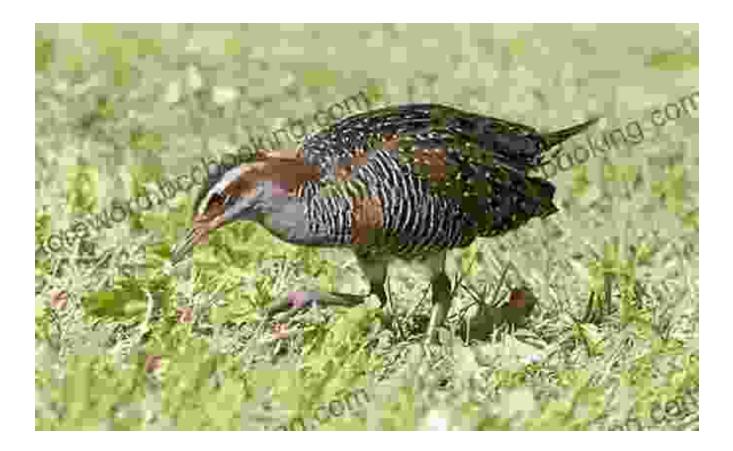
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The Story of Juan Tamad

Once upon a time, there was a lazy young man named Juan Tamad. He lived with his parents in a small village. Juan's parents were farmers, and they worked hard to provide for their family. But Juan was lazy. He refused to help his parents with the farm work. He would rather sleep all day or play with his friends. One day, Juan's parents were getting ready to plant rice. They asked Juan to help them, but he refused. He said that he was too tired. Juan's parents were very disappointed, but they didn't know what to do. They couldn't force Juan to work.

That night, Juan was sleeping in his bed when he heard a strange noise. He opened his eyes and saw a group of tikling birds standing in his room. The tikling birds are small, yellow birds that live in the Philippines. They are known for their beautiful singing.



The tikling birds told Juan that they had come to help him plant rice. Juan was surprised, but he agreed. The tikling birds flew out of the window and into the rice field. Juan followed them.

The tikling birds worked very hard. They planted all of the rice in no time at all. Juan was very impressed. He thanked the tikling birds for their help.

The next day, Juan's parents were surprised to see that all of the rice had been planted. They asked Juan how he had done it. Juan told them that the tikling birds had helped him.

Juan's parents were very happy. They thanked the tikling birds for their help. The tikling birds flew away, and Juan and his parents went back to work.

When the rice was ripe, Juan's parents were ready to harvest it. They asked Juan to help them, but he refused. He said that he was too tired. Juan's parents were very disappointed, but they didn't know what to do. They couldn't force Juan to work.

That night, the tikling birds returned to Juan's room. They told him that they were going to help his parents harvest the rice. Juan was surprised, but he agreed.

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The Moral of the Story

The moral of the story of Juan Tamad is that laziness does not pay. If you want to be successful, you have to work hard. Perseverance is also important. If you don't give up, you can achieve anything you set your mind to.

Juan Tamad is a popular story in the Philippines. It has been told for generations, and it continues to teach children the importance of hard work and perseverance.



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