



The Eagle's Big Race

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One day there lived a bird. His name was Ravlinclaw. He was a young eagle who trained very hard for a big race in Melbourne. The young eagle was a 10 year-old eagle, but an eagle who was very confident.

One day Ravlinclaw had been training when some older and stronger birds who were in the race in Melbourne with him came up to him and said that he was so slow and he was so bad at flying. That hurt his feelings, and he went to his room in the tree crying.

Later, Ravlinclaw came out of his room, but he had lost his confidence so he just ate his lunch and went back to his room.

One hour later he heard the bigger and stronger birds messing around and talking about how bad he was, so he yelled outside the window with anger, "I WILL NEVER DO THE RACE IN MELBOURNE!"

Soon the sound of what Ravlinclaw yelled echoed around every tree, and his friends noticed the sound of his voice. Many of his friends called him sadly and encouraged him to do the race, but he did not listen.

After another hour passed, Ravinclaw's best friend, Halk Halktail, came to Ravlinclaw and told him what would happen if he did not have confidence, so Ravlinclaw listened and got better.

In two weeks' time the day of the race had come, and Ravlinclaw was at the starting line, ready to go. When the race started Ravlinclaw was first, and soon he was one step to the finish line. But just then, one of the big strong birds who was doing bad stuff to Ravlinclaw got bitten by a person's dog and fell to the ground. When it all happened, Ravlinclaw did not go past the finish line. Instead, he helped the bird who was hurt and then went past the finish line last. But he got the cup for independence and helping others.

The bird who was being mean said sorry and thank you, and they became friends.

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