

THE LEOPARD, THE OSTRICH, AND THE RED PANDA

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There is a Big Boy Leopard who lives at the Staten Island Zoo. He is strong. He has very pretty spots on his back. He runs really fast. His name is Josh.

There is an Ostrich named Billy. He lives at the Staten Island Zoo. He has long legs and a long neck. He is the tallest bird at the Zoo.

There is a Red Panda named Lizzy who lives at the Staten Island Zoo. She is pretty, red and fluffy.

Billy the Ostrich saw Josh and Lizzy and said, "Let's go get something to eat. Would you like to get fish for lunch?"

"Why?" said Josh. "I don't like fish. I like to eat snakes."

Billy said, "OK, I'll eat snakes too. What about Lizzy?"

Lizzy said, "I like to eat fish, too. I don't like to eat snakes."

Billy the Ostrich said, "You guys have different opinions."

"Yes," said Josh the Leopard and Lizzy the Red Panda.

Lizzy said, "We can eat fish and snakes for lunch."

"Ok," said Billy.

Josh the Leopard said, "Sounds good to me!" with a loud roar.

When you compromise, you can get along with others.