

## Summary of How the Camel Got His Hump

The story is about how the camel got his hump. The author says that at the beginning of the world, everything was new. The animals had just started to work for human beings. The story is about a camel who lived in the middle of a Howling Desert. He ate sticks and thorns and was not interested to work for anyone. Whenever anyone spoke to him, he would say 'Humph!'

On a Monday morning, the horse went to him. He told him to come out and sprint. But the camel, as usual, said 'Humph!' The horse told this to the man. After some time, a dog came to the camel and asked him to work. But again, the camel said 'Humph!' Later, the Ox came to him. As per his habit, the camel replied 'Humph!' to him too.

The man summoned the horse, the dog, and the Ox. He asked them about the camel. All three animals told him what had happened. Even after hearing them, the man asked them to work double-time in order to compensate for the camel's work. This made all three of them furious and angry. They decided to hold a meeting.

During the meeting, the horse complained about the camel to the Djinn. He told him that the camel would not work and only say 'Humph!' all the time. The Djinn promised them that he will set the camel right.

The Djinn found the camel in the desert where he was looking at his reflection in the water. He asked the camel to work but as usual, the camel said 'Humph!' As soon as the camel uttered these words, he saw his beautiful back puffing up. This was very strange. The camel was very proud of his beautiful back but now it became ugly.

The Djinn explained to the camel that it was his own hump. He is only responsible for this as he did not work. The Djinn now asked the camel to work but he said he can't work due to this hump. He told the

camel that as he did not work for three days, with this hump he can now work for three days without eating or drinking. From that day, the camel has a hump but still, it has not learned to behave.