

No Honour Amongst Thieves

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OVER BLACK.

SUPERIMPOSE: Far away in the Tinlands, there is a great famine. There lived three people...

FADE IN:

INT. RAT NEST - MORNING

A scrawny RAT known as "THE WIND" for his quickness, looks around his scattered nest, the sad expression on his face tells the story. He exhales and steps out.

INT. MOUSE HOUSE - SAME TIME

A smart-mouthed MOUSE TRAP also called "M.T" is doing his stretches, about to start his day. He takes one look in the mirror before heading out.

EXT. OPEN FIELDS - CONTINUOUS ACTION

M.T sees Rat strapping up his boots by a corner.

M.T
Well well well, it's the infamous
Wind.

RAT
(scoffs)
What bad luck it is to start my day
with your smug face.

CAT (O.S)
Will you little twats stop yapping

WIDE, we see the big brawny CAT, bullish and lazy, walking towards them.

M.T
Of course, if it isn't
(air quotes)
The big bad Cat

RAT
and lazy... You forgot lazy.

Cat growls at them.

(CONTINUED)

M.T
I'm off, I hope you both are dead
by the time I'm back.

MINUTES LATER...

M.T spots a fruit laying atop a fence, beside it is a bunch of leaves.

From the other side of the road, comes Rat speeding towards the fence, Cat is not far off behind him. An argument ensues, all three claiming their rights to the fruit. M.T gets an idea.

M.T
Wait, we can share it, better
little than nothing.

RAT
You want us to work together? I
sense you already have a plan.

Hurdled up in a circle, M.T lays out his plans. They all agree and set off to their positions. Cat takes watch by the corner, while Rat uses M.T's back as a platform to climb up the fence.

M.T
Remember, stay off the bunch of
leaves, there's a pit underneath.

RAT
Aye aye captain

CAT
Sure

Rat gets to the fruit atop the fence, thinks for a moment.

RAT (V.O)
If I run, they won't catch me.

Cat sees the Rat coming down with the fruit and thinks.

CAT (V.O)
I could attack them and take it all

Rat climbs off M.T's back, Cat sneak attacks. He misses the fruit completely, taking out M.T and Rat instead. All three fall into the pit, with the fruit on the floor above them.

M.T
(beat; angry)
Everyone happy now?!

FADE OUT: