

## THE RACE

**Bo Dog was always boasting that he was the fastest runner of all animals. So, one day, when they were gathered together, Bo Lizard decided to challenge him to a race.**

**The race was to be one mile long to the next village and the animals all rushed to wait at the winning pole at the road junction.**

**The race started. Bo Dog shot off and Bo Lizard scurried off too.**

**Then, in the next moment, at a bend in the track, Bo Lizard jumped on Bo Dog's back but so lightly that the other animal did not feel a thing.**



About half a mile away Bo Dog looked around and, seeing no one behind, he barked in glee.

By the time he had turned his head, he saw at his side, Bo Lizard, who started to sing:

“Banga—langa, I there with you,  
Banga—langa, I there with you!”

The surprised Bo Dog rushed on with greater speed. Bo Lizard was already on his back.

At the three-quarter mile point Bo Dog looked back and saw no one on the track and barked happily.

But Bo Lizard had hopped off and started his song:

“Banga—langa, I there with you,  
Banga—langa, I there with you!”

Bo Dog was furious and ran faster than the wind, but he did not feel Bo Lizard on his back.

Suddenly, the end of the race course was in sight.

Bo Dog was overjoyed because he had again turned around and seen nothing nor had he heard anything and he rushed on.

The large crowd at the winning pole saw only Bo Dog and started to shout in excitement. Most of them had betted in favour of Bo Dog and now started to ask for the money they had won.

One rod away from the winning pole Bo Lizard jumped over Bo Dog's head, landed on the ground past the pole and started to sing:

“Banga—langa, I win the race,  
Banga—langa, I win the race!  
Banga—langa, I win the race,  
Banga—langa, look at Bo Dog face!

Ever since then Bo Dog could be always seen making half-hearted attempts to chase Bo Lizard.

(Crick—crack the wire bend, and so the nancy story end.)