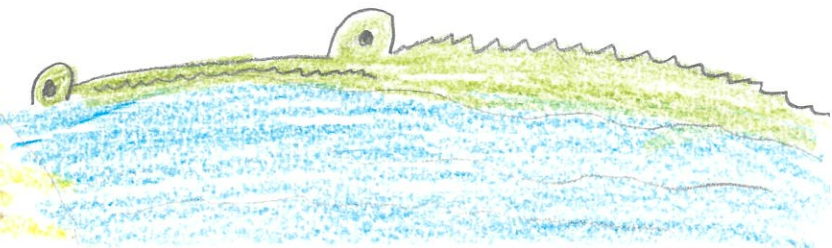




Counting

Crocodiles

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On an island in the middle of sea  
lived a clever monkey on a huge lemon  
tree. Monkey couldn't eat anything  
but lemons for breakfast, lunch  
and dinner. She ate them boiled and  
steamed, dried and fried. Monkey  
was frustrated of eating lemons  
all day long.



One morning Monkey spotted five tall banana trees across the sea on another island. Monkey sighed wish I could swim across and grab the sweet bananas from the trees. There was a problem. The problem was the sea was infested with hungry crocodiles. They were vicious and they loved feasting on fishes.



There were ten crocodiles in the sea. Each of the five banana trees had five delicious bananas. So all together it made twenty five. The clever monkey decided to ask the crocodiles to set themselves next to each other so he could leap across.



He decided to give each crocodile two bananas in return. That left him with five more bananas to spare. The crocodiles agreed to help Monkey. So the monkey and the crocodiles were overjoyed with their bananas.



In conclusion with the knowledge of multiplication Monkey was able to complete his mission and enjoy his delicious bananas.

Thank you for reading my story.

