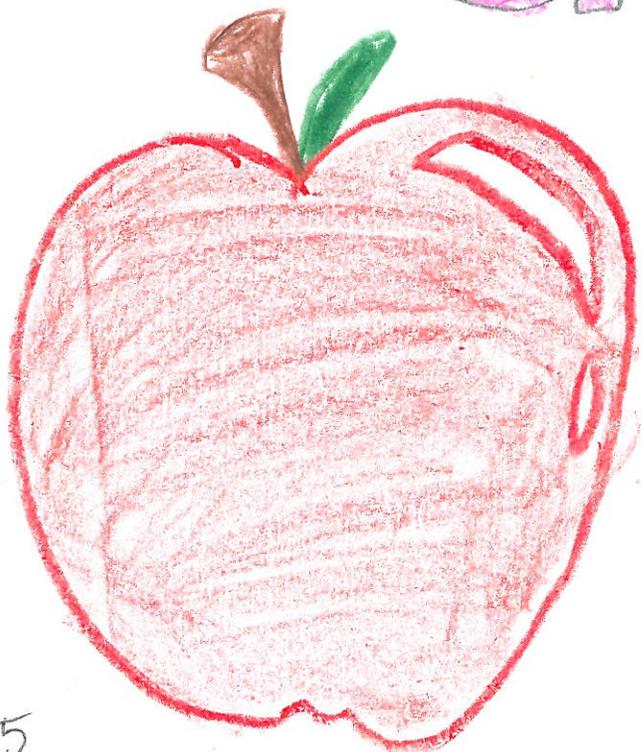


Fruit

for

Fanning



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There once was a wolf who only ate meat. You would expect this, though, because wolves are carnivores. Even so, wolves should sometimes eat nutritious grasses and fruits. This one did not want or need to, because he lived in a zoo. The wolf's name was Fang.



Every time it was dinner, The other animals of the zoo, who were all herbivores, would ask Fang if he wanted some fruit. "No way!" Fang would say. "I am content with meat." But the others would tell him he could get lots of nutrients from the fruits. "You should also have milk," snorted the rhinos.



"I already told you!", growled Fang, "I will not eat fruits or drink milk!"

After many weeks, something happened. The zoo had run out of meat! Fang was horrified! The zoo could not get any more meat for 3 whole days! "What will I eat?!", Fang moaned.



The other animals felt sorry for Fang. One by one, they gave him fruit and vegetables, as much as Fang hated fruit and veggies, he could not turn down the whole zoo. Near the end of the line, a baby kangaroo hopped up to Fang and gave him an apple. Before Fang could add it to the pile of fruit, she asked him to eat it now.



Fang was surprised. He did not really want to eat the apple. "Pleeeeeeasse," begged the kangaroo. "It's full of nutrients!" said giraffe. Fang looked at the kangaroo's hope full face and sighed. "Fine," he said. And with a deep breath, he raised the apple to his mouth and bit into it.



Fang widened his eyes in surprise. "This is good!" he exclaimed. "And it's healthy!" replied the animals. "Good news, too!" squawked parrot. "The zoo got meat early! It's here!" So from that day on, instead of just meat, Fang had a side of fruit and veggies. And, with a little persuading from the rhinos, he also had milk instead of water. Soon he realized he was healthier, and was happy he had listened to his friends.