

# Chameleon Army

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## Chapter 1: Charlie the Special Chameleon

Charlie is a **chameleon**. He lives in a big, green **garden**. The garden is beautiful. It has tall trees and red, yellow, and blue **flowers**.

Charlie is not a big chameleon. He is small and often **green**. *Sometimes* he is brown, *sometimes* blue. He can change his **color** very quickly. That is what chameleons do!

Charlie likes to be a **soldier**. Not a real soldier with a **gun** and a **uniform**, but a garden soldier. He thinks about **danger** all the time.

"I must **protect** the garden!" he thinks.

*But* the garden is always very **quiet**. The other animals are not soldiers.

The **rabbit**, Rosie, eats carrots. The **bird**, Bluey, sings songs. The **cat**, Captain Claws, sleeps all day on a **warm wall**.

They are all very **happy**.

Charlie, **instead of** eating small flies like a normal chameleon, stands very straight. His body is stiff. He tries to look very **important**.

"I am the leader of the Chameleon Army!" he says. *But* the army has only **one** soldier: **him**.

"A good soldier must be **calm**," Charlie tells himself. "I must always be calm. No panic!"

*But* then, something moves in the grass.

*Who is it? What is it?*

Charlie jumps. He is not very calm now! He quickly changes his color to bright **red** with yellow dots.

"Stop! **Who** goes there?" he shouts.

A small, brown **mouse**, Mickey, looks up. "Hello, Charlie. I am looking for a **small** piece of **cheese**. I'm very **hungry**."

"This is a **secret mission**, Mickey!" Charlie says. "You must not move here!"

Mickey laughs. "This is just a garden, Charlie. Go and **rest**."

Charlie looks at the mouse. He changes his color to a soft **grey**. *He is a little sad.*

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## Chapter 2: The Terrible Green Tree

One **morning**, Charlie is on the biggest tree in the garden. It is a big, green tree.

"This is my **Headquarters**," he thinks. "From here, I can **see** everything."

He is completely **green** now. Nobody can see him. He is a **secret** soldier.

*Suddenly*, he hears a sound. **Tap, tap, tap.**

*A new danger!*

He looks down. Rosie the rabbit is trying to dig a **hole** near the tree.

"Stop! You **cannot** dig here!" Charlie shouts.

Rosie looks up. "Oh, Charlie. I need a cool place. It's very **hot** today. I want to make a **home**."

"No!" Charlie says. "This tree is a military **area**! Go and dig near the **big** stone **instead of** near my Headquarters!"

Rosie sighs. "Soldiers are very **silly**," she thinks. She hops away and starts to dig near the stone.

Charlie watches her go. "Good," he thinks. "The **enemy** is gone."

*But* when he looks back at the tree, he **cannot** see his **tail**.

"My tail! **Where** is my tail?"

He looks left. He looks right. He looks behind him. No tail!

Charlie is not calm. He is very **worried**. His color changes to a bright **orange**. He looks like a small, orange **flag** on the green tree.

"Help! A big, green monster has eaten my tail!" he cries.

Captain Claws, the cat, opens one eye on the wall. "That's your tail, **you fool**," he says, very slowly. "It is green, like the tree. You are sitting on it."

Charlie stops shouting. He looks again. Yes, his tail is completely green. It is a perfect match for the tree.

"Oh," Charlie says. He changes his color back to green. "A good soldier must be **calm**," he remembers. "It was a secret, military tail **trick**."

Captain Claws closes his eye. "Go to **sleep**, soldier," he mutters.

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## Chapter 3: The Big Mission

One **afternoon**, there is a big **problem**.

Bluey the bird is crying. "My **egg!** My beautiful blue egg! It's **gone!**"

Bluey has a nest on the roof of the **small** house. Now the nest is empty.

"This is a **real job** for the Chameleon Army!" Charlie thinks. *He is very excited.*

"Do not worry, Bluey! I will **find** your egg," he says.

"The egg is blue," Bluey says. "It is small and very **round**."

Charlie starts his mission. He does not use a **map**. He does not ask for **help**. He is a secret agent!

He runs through the grass. He changes color from green to brown to yellow.

He sees Mickey the mouse. Mickey has something round and **white**.

"Mickey! Stop! Is that the egg?"

Mickey holds up the thing. "No, Charlie. It's a small, white **ball**. My new **toy**. I found it near the **door**."

Charlie shakes his head. "The egg is blue! Go and play **somewhere else instead of** here!"

Next, Charlie sees Rosie the rabbit. She is sitting on something blue.

"Rosie! You have the egg! Give it to me!"

Rosie looks confused. "What? This is my blue **bowl**. I use it for my **water**."

Charlie looks at the bowl. Yes, it is a bowl. He is not very calm. His color is now a nervous, light **pink**.

"I must be calm," he whispers. "I must think."

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## Chapter 4: The Hero of the Garden

Charlie stops running. He sits on a rock. He closes his **eyes**. *He tries to be calm.*

"Where is the egg?" he thinks. "A bird's nest is high. The egg is not on the **ground**. Someone must take it up."

He opens his eyes. He sees Captain Claws on the wall. The cat is awake! He is looking at the roof of the house.

*Something is wrong!*

Charlie climbs the wall. He is brown like the bricks.

When he gets to the roof, he sees Captain Claws. The cat is playing with something. It is small. It is round. It is **blue!**

"Captain Claws! The egg!" Charlie shouts.

The cat looks at Charlie. He starts to play with the egg again, moving it with his big **paw**. The egg is going to fall!

Charlie knows he must be **fast**. He cannot think about his color. He cannot think about being a soldier.

He jumps. He jumps onto the cat's head!

"Meee-OW!" Captain Claws shouts. He is very surprised.

The cat opens his paw. The blue egg starts to **roll**.

Charlie is on the cat's head. He stretches his **long tongue!**

*Flick!*

His tongue is very sticky. It touches the egg. **Got it!**

Charlie quickly pulls the egg to him. It is safe!

Captain Claws runs away. "You are not a soldier! You are a crazy, sticky **thing!**"

Charlie holds the egg very carefully. He is a little **shaking**, but he is also very **proud**. His color is a beautiful, **strong** blue now, the same color as the egg.

He takes the egg back to Bluey's nest.

Bluey is very, very happy. "Thank you, Charlie! You are a true hero!"

Rosie and Mickey come over. "You are the best soldier, Charlie!" Rosie says.

"A good soldier must be **calm**," Charlie says, smiling. "But **sometimes** he must also be very, very **fast instead of calm**."

From that day, the other animals do not laugh at Charlie. *He is still a little bit silly*, but he is their hero.

And the Chameleon Army? It still has only **one** soldier, but now Charlie knows: he is the **best** soldier the garden has!