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## The kangaroo

It is believed that kangaroos once had four legs, which they used to walk. But one day, there were some kangaroos resting peacefully, until they saw a hunter hiding in the bush.

The man approached a kangaroo, and the kangaroo, very scared because he had never seen a person before, ran away. The hunter followed him and caught up with him in no time. But the kangaroo was able to hide before the man caught it.

It got dark and the man made a fire, the kangaroo realized that the man would not leave, so he would have to escape without being seen. Running fast on all four legs wouldn't do him any good, so he decided to go slow using only his two hind legs to keep quiet. The kangaroo walked alone with two legs, when he was in a safe place he tested if he could let go and he succeeded.

Finally, the kangaroo reached the place where the other kangaroos were, explained to them how he had escaped, and taught them to walk and jump on two legs. Since then, kangaroos walk and jump using only their hind legs.

This is an Australian legend, passed down from generation to generation, and explains the origin of the kangaroo gait.