

## Ruby and the Chariot Race

One day, there was a farmer who lived in ancient Egypt. Her name was Ruby, and she wanted to be in a race. But, she couldn't go in the race, because she didn't have a chariot. She only had a horse, Harabi. He was really fast, the fastest horse in Egypt. Ruby tried to build a chariot, but she couldn't, because she didn't have the right tools. So, she went to a trader and traded wheat for the tools she needed. Then, she could finally build a chariot.

On the day of the chariot race, Harabi was nervous, and the race started without Ruby. Ruby still wanted to go, because that was the only race. Then, suddenly, she got a brilliant idea. She told him she was going to get nine more horses by trading some mud bricks she made and attach all nine horses to her chariot instead of Harabi.

Harabi gasped. He wanted to run the race. He walked up to the chariot, and Ruby attached him on. Then, there was a big thud! That thud was actually the other horses in the race stamping their feet to get them clean because there was sand on them.

Harabi's feet were still clean and he could jump really high. He jumped all the way to the racetrack and started to gallop and gallop and gallop. He was so fast that he bumped into another chariot. Then, he jumped over all of them and won the race!

Ruby thought he was brilliant! She decided to get him a snack as a treat, and she gave him wheat to eat. Then, she got a trophy from the Pharaoh.

“Good job,” he said.

She told the Pharaoh that her birthday was that day.

“Happy birthday. How old are you turning?” he asked.

She told him that she was turning twenty-one. He said that all of the other racers would have to give her twenty horses for her birthday. He gave her twenty, too.

Ruby traded the tools for building her chariot to the Pharaoh because he didn't have any chariots, just one horse left. He gave her more land for her horses.

She gave all her horses a treat, to let them roll in sand. Then, Ruby went back to being a farmer—a horse farmer—until she died. And they all lived happily ever after.

The End