

A poor fisherman, who lived on the fish he caught, had bad luck one day and caught nothing but a very small fish.

The fisherman was about to put it in his basket when the little fish said, "Please spare me, Mr. Fisherman! I am so small it is not worthwhile to carry me home. When I am bigger, I shall make you a much better meal."

But the fisherman quickly put the fish into his basket.

"How foolish I should be," he said, "to throw you back. However small you may be, you are better than nothing at all."

*A small gain is worth more than a large promise*      Aesop

