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Once upon a time in the beautiful land of Kisii, Kenya, there lived a magnificent bird known as Egesami. Egesami was a Black Sparrowhawk, a small but powerful predator of the skies. With its sleek black feathers, sharp hooked beak, and piercing dark yellowish eyes, Egesami was a fearsome hunter.

Egesami was known for its exceptional flying skills and its ability to navigate effortlessly through the dense forests of Kisii. It would soar gracefully, flying low among the trees, its wings outstretched, showcasing the striking white badge that adorned its belly, wings, and tail. The sight of Egesami gliding through the air was a captivating spectacle for anyone lucky enough to witness it.

Egesami had strong black claws and yellow legs, which were perfectly suited for catching its favorite prey—chicks. Egesami would carefully observe the nests hidden among the branches, patiently waiting for the right moment to strike. With lightning speed, it would dive down, its sharp claws ready to snatch an unsuspecting chick from its nest.

One day, as Egesami was soaring above the treetops, it spotted a family of colorful birds chirping happily in their nest. The parents were busy gathering food, leaving their chicks vulnerable and exposed. Egesami couldn't resist the opportunity for a delicious meal.

With a sudden burst of speed, Egesami swooped down, its wings folded back, and its sharp beak leading the way. The chicks chirped in alarm, but it was too late. Egesami's claws firmly grasped one of the chicks, lifting it into the sky. The other chicks scattered in fear, seeking safety in the leafy branches.

As Egesami flew away with its prize, it couldn't help but feel a sense of pride. It was a skilled hunter, providing for itself and surviving by using its natural instincts. Egesami understood the delicate balance of nature, where predators and prey played their roles, ensuring the circle of life continued.

But Egesami also knew that life was not just about hunting. It enjoyed the freedom of flight, the feeling of the wind beneath its wings, and the beauty of the world below. It would often explore the vast landscapes of Kisii, discovering new sights and encountering other fascinating creatures.

And so, Egesami continued to grace the skies of Kisii, captivating the imaginations of the people who watched it in awe. Its presence reminded them of the untamed beauty of nature and the power and grace that could be found even in the smallest of creatures.

The legend of Egesami, the Black Sparrowhawk, would be passed down from generation to generation, inspiring young minds to appreciate and respect the wonders of the natural world.

In the ekegusii language, the people of Kisii called it Egesami, a name that echoed through the ages, symbolizing the strength, grace, and resilience of this remarkable bird.

And so, the story of Egesami, the Black Sparrowhawk, became woven into the fabric of Kisii's rich folklore, reminding everyone of the enchanting power of nature and the incredible creatures that call it home.

The end.

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Questions Session

1. What is the name of the Black Sparrowhawk in the story?
2. Where does Egesami live?
3. What are some physical features of Egesami?
4. What does Egesami feed on?
5. How does Egesami hunt for its prey?
6. What is the significance of Egesami's low-flying style?
7. What feeling does Egesami inspire in people who watch it?
8. What does Egesami symbolize in the story?
9. What is the theme of the story?
10. What lesson can readers learn from the story of Egesami?