

Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department
“Don’t Feed Wild Animals and Feral Pigeons” Series
“Good Old Days” Transcript

Super: Good Old Days

At the seaside, Uncle Wong looked deep in thought.
Grandpa knew Wong was getting nostalgic again, so he just busied himself with some peanuts.

Wong: Many years ago, at the seaside, I met my sweet Linda...

Wong’s flash-back appears. A girl with long hair walked by the seaside. Wong, now in his twenties, can’t keep his eyes off the girl. The girl’s hair fluttered in the breeze. Wong was mesmerised.

Flash-back ends. Grandpa called for Wong, bringing him back to the moment.

Grandpa: Wong. Hey, Wong. Come and grab a bite, Wong! Come on!

Grandpa, Sally and Jacky were taking a rest on the grass. Wong came their way.
Jacky picked up his water bottle and screamed --- he found the bottle was stained by bird poop. He immediately complained to Uncle Wong, but Wong was too deep in thought to notice.

Grandpa: Have some water, dear.
Sally: Thanks, Grandpa.
Jacky: Ugh..... That’s gross! It’s bird poop, Grandpa!
Sally: Look at all those feral pigeons. What a nuisance!
Wong: Well, I think pigeons are rather romantic...

Wong’s flash-back appeared. He was feeding the pigeons with Linda. She rested her head on his shoulder. Wong ran towards the pigeons, sending them flying. Linda burst into laughter. The two were facing each other, holding hands, about to kiss.....

Wong’s flashback was interrupted by Jacky’s voice.

Jacky: Why are you feeding the pigeons, Grandpa?
Grandpa: Why don’t you join me?
Sally: My teacher taught us not to feed feral pigeons, Uncle Wong.
Wong: I’m just feeding them with leftovers. It’s better than wasting food.
Grandpa: That’s true, we shouldn’t waste food.
Wong: We used to feed pigeons all the time. What’s wrong with caring for animals?
Grandpa: You’re right. It’s sad to see them starve.
Jacky: It’s people like you who feed them that leads to booming of feral pigeon population. They congregate around the urban areas causing hygiene problems. Look at what they did to my water bottle.
Sally: Feral pigeons can feed themselves. If people keep feeding them, they may get overweight.
Jacky: What’s more if pigeons get used to feeding by human, they will loiter on the streets and may get hit by cars.
Sally: That’s horrible!

Wong: Feeding feral pigeons can actually cause so many problems?
Grandpa: I guess good intentions can go wrong sometimes. Just don't feed them anymore.

Wong was feeding some bread to the pigeons, apparently enjoying himself.
Wong and Grandpa rambled about their misconception.
Jacky tried to teach them, explaining the serious consequences.
Wong was convinced. Grandpa also realized his mistake.

Wong: You know, every time I feed pigeons I think about my sweetheart Linda...

Wong's flash-back appears. Linda was smiling.

Linda: How dare you, Wong! Aren't you supposed to be back for dinner?
Wong: I'm on my way now. I'll be right back!

Back to reality, Wong's mobile phone suddenly rang. He took the call immediately. A woman's voice went fuming on the other end of the line.

Sally: Isn't Linda Jacky's grandma? Why would Uncle Wong think about her?
Grandpa: Linda was a sweet girl when she was young.
Jacky: But since she married grandpa, she has become quite grumpy.
Grandpa: That's why Wong always think about the good old days.

Jacky, Sally and Grandpa whispered among themselves.
Now Jacky and Sally got the whole picture.

The super "Tips on feral pigeons" appear.

MVO: Feeding by human is the main reason for feral pigeons to congregate. Apart from environmental hygiene problem, it may also cause the feral pigeons to lose their instinct to look for food. They even become overweight and overpopulated. Therefore, to show your love for feral pigeons and help to reduce nuisance. Stop feeding them!

In the end flip, super of "Don't Feed Wild Animals and Feral Pigeons" appear.
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