**THE CIRCLE AND THE OTHERS**

**Green Circle** : What happened to you? You’ve been running and you’re out of breath!

**Red Circle** : I got away! That was close!

**Green Circle** : What did you get away from? Was somebody chasing you?

**Red Circle** : A crazy square was chasing me and it wanted to …

**Green Circle** : It wanted to …

**Red Circle** : It wanted to turn me into a square!

**Green Circle** : For centuries now they have been trying to do so but without result. I thought that they had given up

**Red Circle** : Obviously not!

**Green Circle** : So tell me , how did it all start? Did it flirt with you?

**Red Circle** : Yes !! For a while now it was trying to approach me. It was very polite in the beginning. It said that it admired my perfect symmetry and all my points were equally important.

**Green Circle** : Don’t tell me! What a poet!

**Red Circle** : Don’t you see? It was trying to touch my sensitive chords!

**Green Circle** : Well?

**Red Circle** : Then it started to sing to me “ I’m in love with the shape of you..” And it was getting closer and closer!

**Green Circle** : Wow! What a cheeky square.

**Red Circle** : After that it wanted to a have common point with me… to touch me!

**Green Circle** : How ridiculous!

**Red Circle** : Then it said in a sexy voice “ Baby I love your circumference!”

**Green Circle** : Oh my God! How rude! And what did you do?

**Red Circle** : What can I say? I’ve got a lot of fans! I’m the center of attention. The same thing happened the other day with a straight line.

**Green Circle** : Oh! Beware of straight lines. They are the most dangerous geometrical beings.

**Red Circle** : Tell me about it! They are shameless and without limits. It was hard to get away from them

**Green Circle** : So tell me! How did it happen that you were at the same place , at the same time?

**Red Circle** : Well, they appear suddenly when you least expect them. Well , it seems that it had been following me for a long time and as I was taking a walk the other day

**Green Circle** : You saw the straight line in front of your eyes. It became tangent to you because its distance from your center was equal to your radius

**Red Circle** : That’s right! And it wasn’t enough that it had one common point with me. It wanted to com closer to my center and now having two common points with me, it became a secant

**Green Circle** : Don’t you know ? That’s what it always does!

**Red Circle** : It kept coming closer and closer to my center until it finally conquered it

**Green Circle** : Because it was looking for someone silly like you to get its center!

**Red Circle** : That’s what you think!

**Green Circle** : Didn’t you know that the moment a straight line is born it dreams of crossing the center of a circle?

**Red Circle** : I’m telling you…I was trying to get rid of it but I couldn’t …so in the end I told it to get lost . Then it became really angry , it called me bad names and on top of that it called me a “vicious circle”

**Green Circle** : What bad manners!

**Red Circle** : What impresses me the most is that all the shapes on the plane want to be our friends. Mostly the polygons , which the greater the number of their sides, the more respectable they feel.

**Green Circle** : Because in this way they look like role models. Us! You know we’re the best!

**Red Circle** : I know what you mean. The moment a polygon is born it dreams of becoming a circle.

**Green Circle** : That’s right! But you can’t become a circle. You are born a circle.

**Red Circle** : Yes! And you can’t become modest. You are born modest

 **Green Circle** : What I find difficult to understand is that only you face these problems so often.

**Red Circle** : What do you mean?

 **Green Circle** : Well I was thinking …. Why is everybody flirting only with you? Are you so perfect or are you provoking them somehow?

**Red Circle** : Me ? Provoking them? Are you kidding me? I’m just minding my own business. I’m only walking.

**Green Circle** : How exactly are you walking?

**Red Circle** : Ummmm…..like this!

**Green Circle** : You’re right , you’re minding your own business. You’re not provoking. You’re not provoking at all !!

 **THE END**