

Story #593 (1968, Tape #2)

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Some Lazes Identify a Camel #593

The Laz people once held a conference. During the meeting, one of them left the room and went outside. He looked and saw a camel out there. He reported this to those inside, and they all came out to look.

"Ha, what is this?" they asked each other.

The most intelligent of the group said, "Ha, couldn't you guess by now? It's the god of Trabzon. It's the great god himself."

¹Most narrations are solo performances, but in this and the four anecdotes that follow, the performance is a duet. The husband/wife team help each other to fill in essential materials and key words.