

#98 The First Unspoken Words

A congregation of moles came up from underground to have a meeting. They were warned by one-of-those-in-charge that not a single mole was to speak out of turn, or for that matter, to speak out at all. The meeting began with a speech by one-of-those-incharge that informed the moles that no one was to ever come out to the light of day, again. They were told that they must stay underground from now on. While the moles were being given this bad news by a very important one-of-those-in-charge, and in spite of the fact that he had fairly large authority, there was a feeling in the air that staying underground was a ridiculous idea and just could not be. It was as if every mole (other than one-ofthose-in-charge) knew that this just could not come to pass. Apparently, they were all hearing the same, unspoken words. So, although the moles were told not to speak, one brave mole stood up and said, "I know that I am not supposed to speak, but someone must say aloud what so many are feeling or else the dirt itself may start to speak! This simply cannot be." With that - and surprisingly, with no other words - the moles joined hands and walked away.

SOMEONE HAD TO SAY IT