


# The BIG PICTURE

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## Fast food fight!

 This is the remarkable moment a **kestrel** tried to steal a **barn owl's** lunch. The spectacular mid-air scrap was snapped off the **Northumberland** coast in north east **England**.

"I was watching the barn owl hunting," explains **Alan Wennington**, who captured the action. "The owl dived to the ground to snatch a vole, and then suddenly, from out of nowhere, the **kestrel** slammed into the owl as it took off. They locked together and fell to the ground."

After a few seconds, the barn owl gracefully flew back up into the air and landed on a fence post to rest, before continuing its search for dinner. Alan thinks the kestrel escaped with its plunder. "Watching owls is amazing," he says. "And it was fantastic to see nature in action."

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