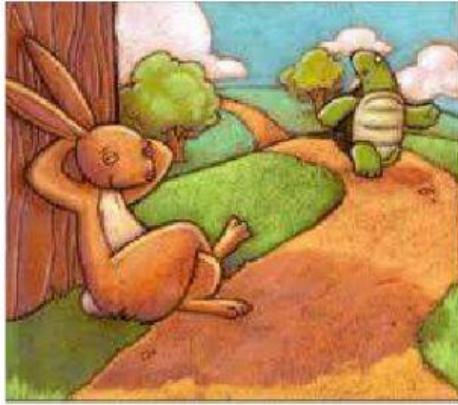# The Hare and the Tortoise

Once, there _____ a hare who told everyone how fast he could run.

One day, the hare and the tortoise decided to have a race. The hare _____ that he could run faster than the tortoise.

All the animals _____ together at the finish line to see who would win. The race _____! The tortoise ran as fast as possible. But the hare was faster, of course.

'This will be a very easy race', thought the hare.

So the hare decided to have a rest, and he quickly fell asleep at the side of the road. Suddenly, the hare _____ and he _____ the tortoise ahead of him!

'How did he get ahead of me?' the hare asked himself.

The hare _____ past the tortoise easily. Soon, he couldn't see the tortoise, so he _____ down and he _____ another rest.

The tortoise kept going. He didn't stop until he _____ to the end of the race. The tortoise crossed the line and _____ the race!

"Hooray" the animals shouted. "Tortoise, you have won!"

The hare woke up and he ran as fast as he could, but it _____ too late. The tortoise had won.

KEEP TRYING, EVEN WHEN THINGS SEEM HARD.