THE ANT AND THE GRASSHOPPER

1

Narrator: It's summer. It's hot and sunny. Ant is working hard near his little house. He is gathering food. He is getting ready for the winter.
Ant: Oh, it's so hot... and I'm so tired!
Grasshopper: Hello, Ant! What are you doing?
Ant: Hello, Grasshopper. I'm getting ready for the winter.
Grasshopper: Why are you working? It's very hot today. Stop working! Have a rest!
Ant: No, no, I can't. And what are you doing?

2

Grasshopper: I'm having fun. I'm singing and dancing. Let's sing and dance together.
Ant: Oh, no, I have no time. The winter is long and cold and I'm getting ready for it.
Grasshopper: I don't like winter. I like summer.
Ant: But you must be ready for the winter. Have you got enough food in your house?
Grasshopper: I don't want to think about the winter. It's summer now and I'm happy! Bye-bye, Ant. And don't work so hard!
Ant: Bye-bye, Grasshopper. Good luck.

3

Narrator: It's winter now. Everything is white with snow. Grasshopper is cold and hungry.
Grasshopper: Oh, poor me! I'm so cold...I can't walk...I'm so hungry...Oh, what do I see? That's the Ant's house...
Narrator: Grasshopper knocks at the door.
Ant: Who's there?
Grasshopper: I'm your friend, Grasshopper.
Ant: What do you want?
Grasshopper: Let me in, please. I'm cold and hungry.
Ant: Really? Why aren't you singing and dancing now? Goodbye!

4

Narrator: Ant closes the door. Grasshopper starts crying.
Grasshopper: Please, Ant, please, let me in!
Ant: All right. Come in! Be my guest! My house is warm. There is enough food. But let that be a lesson to you.
Grasshopper: Thank you, thank you very much! You're a good friend. I promise to work hard in summer. I'm ready to work even in winter...
Ant: OK, OK. Sit by the fire. Let's have dinner. And don't forget your promise! Oh, and we can sing a song after dinner!
Grasshopper and Ant: Ha-ha-ha...

2. **Read the text again and look at the pictures. Answer the questions.**

1. What is the weather like in picture 1?
2. What is Ant doing?

3. What is Grasshopper doing in picture 2?
4. Does Grasshopper like winter?

5. What is the weather like in picture 3?
6. Who is cold and hungry?

7. What are Ant and Grasshopper doing in picture 4?
8. What does Grasshopper promise?

New words

enough – достатъчно
food – храна
forget – забравям
gather – събирам
get ready – приготвям се
grasshopper – скакалец

knock – чукам
little – малък
long – дълъг
must – трябва
narrator – разказвач
near – близо до
promise – обещание; обещавам
sit – седя; сядам
together – заедно
warm – топъл
work hard – работя усърдно

Good luck! Късмет!
Have a rest! Почини си!
I have no time! Нямам време!
Let me in! Пусни ме да вляза!
Poor me! Горкичкият аз!
Stop working! Спри да работиш!
Who's there? Кой е там?