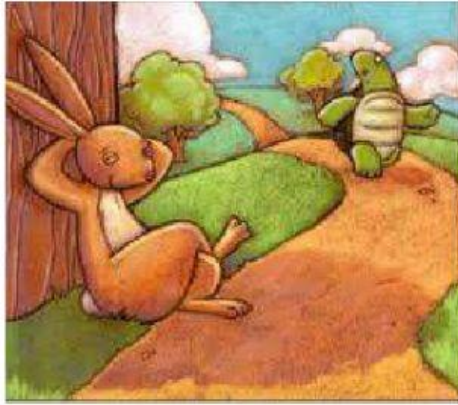


# The Hare and the Tortoise



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.