

The Lion and the Mouse



Once when a lion, the king of the jungle, was asleep, a little mouse began running up and down on him. This soon awakened the lion, who placed his huge paw on the mouse, and opened his big jaws to swallow him.

"Pardon, O King!" cried the little mouse. "Forgive me this time. I shall never repeat it and I shall never forget your kindness. And who knows, I may be able to do you a good turn one of these days!"

The lion was so tickled by the idea of the mouse being able to help him that he lifted his paw and let him go.



Sometime later, a few hunters captured the lion, and tied him to a tree. After that they went in search of a wagon, to take him to the zoo.

Just then the little mouse happened to pass by. On seeing the lion's plight, he ran up to him and gnawed away the ropes that bound him, the king of the jungle.

"Was I not right?" said the little mouse, very happy to help the lion.

MORAL: Small acts of kindness will be rewarded greatly.

Based on the story, complete the sentence below.

never repeat	gnawed away the ropes
tickled by the idea of	awakened the lion
a good turn	never forget
search of a wagon	the lion's plight
huge paw	lifted his paw

1. This soon _____, who placed his _____ on the mouse,
2. I shall _____ it and I shall _____ your kindness.
3. I may be able to do you _____ one of these days!"
4. The lion was so _____ the mouse being able to help him that he _____ and let him go.
5. After that they went in _____, to take him to the zoo
6. On seeing _____, he ran up to him and _____ that bound him,