

# The Tortoise and the Hare

## Let's Read

Once upon a time, there was a hare and a tortoise. The hare liked to tease the tortoise about being so slow. One day, the hare invited the tortoise for a race want to show how fast he is. The tortoise agreed.

At the day of the race, all the animals came to watch. "3,2,1, start!" yelled the judge. The hare quickly run ahead, leaving the tortoise far behind, climbing.

The hare kept running, looked back and saw the tortoise far behind. The hare thought, "The tortoise is so slow! I think I can win even I take a short break." So the hare lay down under a tree and fell asleep. The tortoise kept walking, slow and steady, without stopping.

After a long time, the hare woke up. He looked around and did not see the tortoise. "That slow tortoise must still far behind me," he thought, and started to run again, think he can get to the finish line earlier than the tortoise.

But when the hare got to the finish line, he saw the tortoise there, already finished. The tortoise had won the race!

The hare was very surprised and felt silly. The tortoise smiled and said, "Slow and steady wins the race."

## Vocabulary

1. Hare

5. Judge

2. Tortoise

6. Finish Line

3. Tease

7. Surprised

4. Race

8. Steady

## Reading comprehension

1. Who were the main characters in the story?

- A) The judge and the tortoise
- B) The hare and the tortoise
- C) The hare and the judge

2. Why did the hare tease the tortoise?

- A) Because the tortoise was very fast
- B) Because the tortoise was very slow
- C) Because the tortoise liked to race

3. What did the hare do after running ahead in the race?

- A) He kept running without stopping
- B) He lay down under a tree and fell asleep
- C) He stopped to talk to the judge

4. How did the tortoise move during the race?

- A) Slow and steady
- B) Fast and quickly
- C) He didn't move at all

5. What did the hare think when he woke up?

- A) He thought the tortoise had already won
- B) He thought the tortoise was still far behind

C) He thought he should take another nap

6. What was the lesson of the story?

A) Fast runners always win the race

B) Slow and steady wins the race

C) It is good to take breaks during a race