The Tortoise and The Hare



Complete the story with the past simple form of the verbs

There once _____ (is) a speedy Hare who _____ (brag) about how fast he could run. Suddenly, he _____ (see) a Tortoise walking slowly with a heavy shell on his back. He _____ (laugh) at the tortoise and _____ (mock) him for his slow speed. The tortoise _____ (stretch) out his long neck and _____ (challenge) the hare to a race which of course, _____(make) the hare laugh. "A race, indeed a race" "Oh! What fun! My, my! a race of course, Mr. Tortoise, we shall race!" _____(say) the Hare arrogantly.

All the animals in the forest _____ (gather)to watch. The race _____(begin) and the Hare, being such a swift runner soon _____(leave) the Tortoise far behind. He _____ (look) back at the Tortoise and _____(cry) out, "How does he expect to win this race when he's walking along at such a slow, slow pace". He _____ (decide) that he _____ (has) time to take a little nap and he _____ (cuddle) up against a tree and _____ (doze).

Meanwhile, the Tortoise _____ (walk) and _____ (walk). He never ever _____ (stop) until he _____ (come) to the finish line. The animals who _____ (are) watching _____ (cheer) so loudly for Tortoise, they _____ (wake) up the Hare. "Time to get going.' he _____ (think) and of he _____ (go) faster than he _____ (has) ever run before! He _____ (dash) as quickly as anyone ever could up to the finish line where he _____ (meet) the tortoise, who was patiently awaiting his arrival.

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