

## The Tortoise and the Hare (An Aesop Fable)

In a land far far away, there lived an enthusiastic but arrogant little Hare. He would always make fun of his friend, Tortoise for being so slow.

“You are so slow. How do you ever get anywhere?” he would ask the Tortoise.

The wise Tortoise would answer:

“Easily. I can show you. Let’s race and I can prove it to you!”

The hare laughed and laughed at this ridiculous proposal. He stopped to think about it for a bit. He didn’t believe that the Tortoise stood a chance against his very own fast legs.

But still, he agreed to this race because he liked having fun. The Fox became the judge and the race started!

The Hare started running with all its might and soon, he had vanished into the distance. The Tortoise was nowhere to be seen.

The Hare laughed and laughed to himself. He decided to take a nap beside the race track.

But he didn’t know that, the Tortoise was moving slowly but surely on the race track – determined to win.

After a while, the Tortoise passed through the shed where the Hare was still fast asleep. When he finally woke up, he saw that the Tortoise was almost at the finish line.

He started running as fast as he could to catch up – but the Tortoise had already crossed the finish line.

Upon his victory, the Tortoise smiled, turned to his friend and said:

“It’s not always the fastest who wins the race.”

