

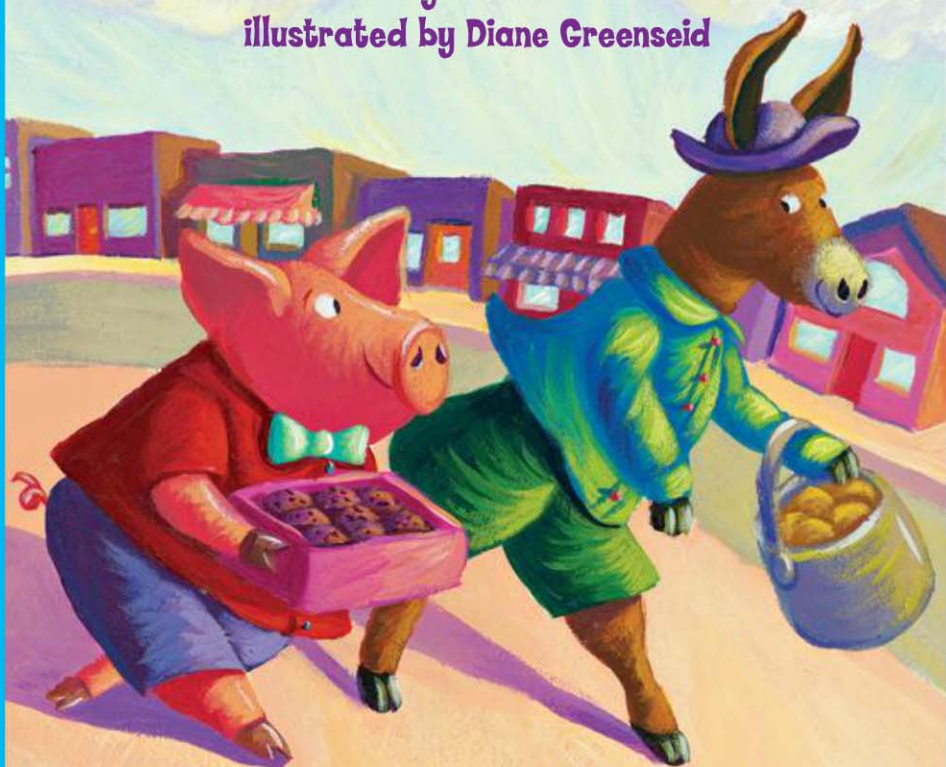
Folk Tale

A Day with Pig and Mule

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Read to Find Out

What happens when Pig and Mule sell their cakes and buns?

STRATEGIES & SKILLS AT A GLANCE

Comprehension

- Strategy: Generate Questions
- Skill: Make Predictions

High-Frequency Words

- across, carry, eight, once, saw, upon, walked

Phonics

- long /ā/ ai, ay

Word count: 375

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Once upon a time, Pig and Mule were pals. Pig lived across the way from Mule.

Pig and Mule liked to bake.



One day Pig said, "I think
I will bake cakes."

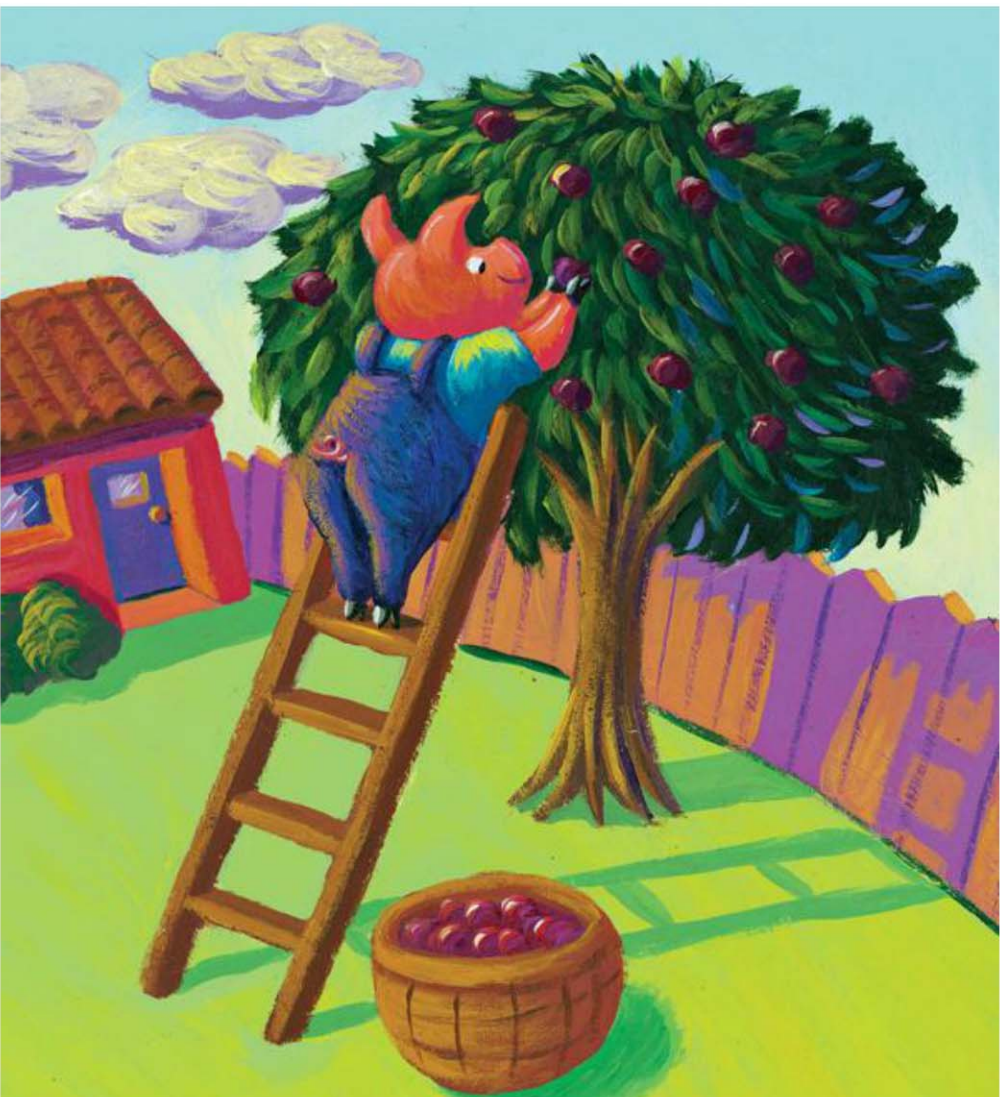
"I will bake, too," said Mule.
"I can make buns."

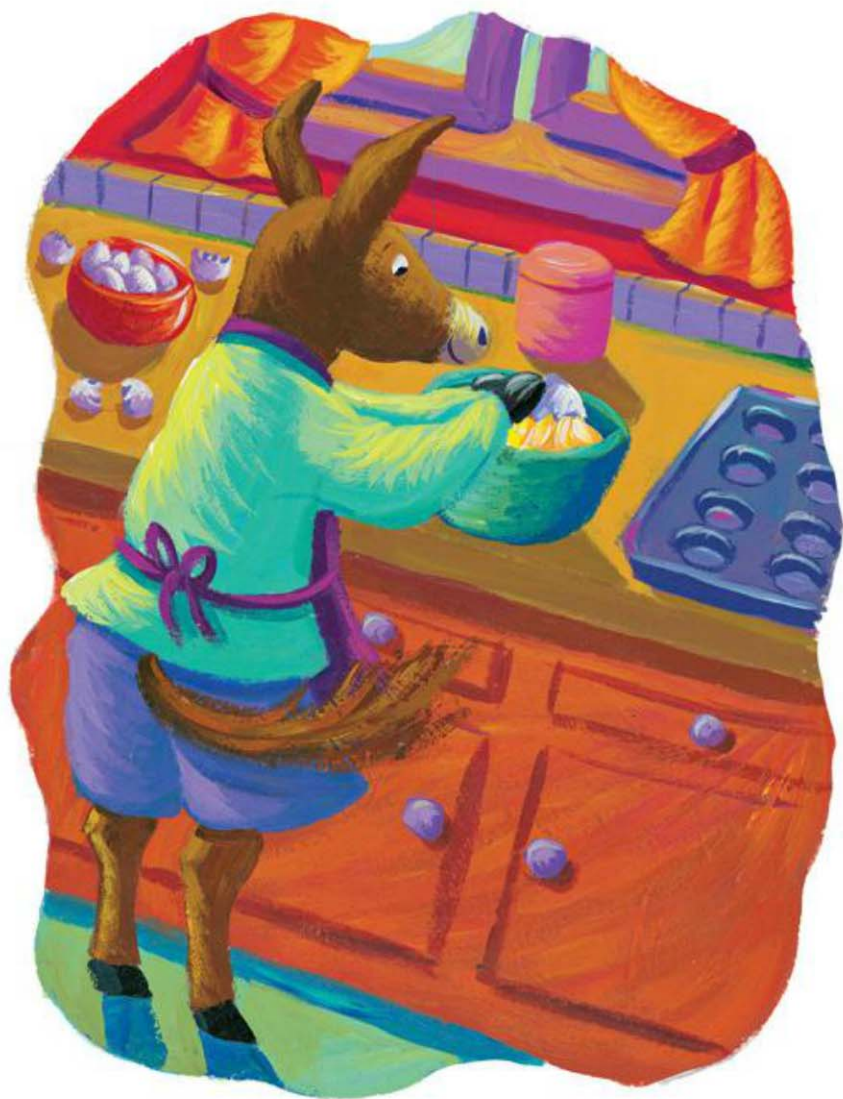
"We can sell our cakes and
buns!" said Pig.

"And we will get rich!"
Mule added.



Pig picked plums to bake plum cakes. Plum cakes! Yum!





Mule used lots of eggs in
his buns. Egg buns! Yum!

Pig said, "I have eight plum cakes. I will carry them in this box."

Mule said, "I have eight egg buns. I will carry them in this pail."





Pig set out his cakes. Mule set out his buns.

Pig said, "We will sell our cakes and buns."

Mule said, "And we will get rich!"



Pig waited. No one came to buy plum cakes.

Pig got hungry. "It's time for lunch," he said.

Pig saw Mule's egg buns. Pig had a dime. He bought an egg bun. He paid with his dime.

Mule waited. No one came to buy egg buns.

Mule got hungry. "It's time for lunch," he said.

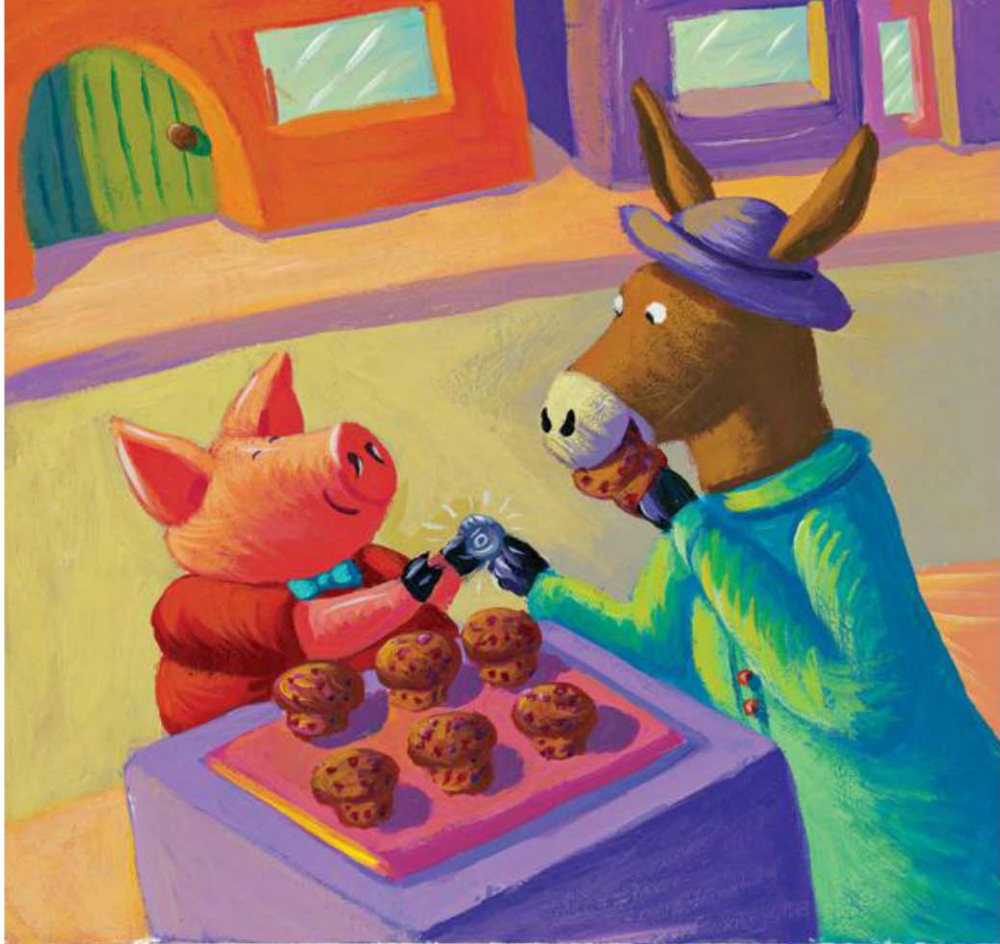
Mule saw Pig's plum cakes. Now Mule had a dime. He bought a plum cake. He paid with the dime.



Pig and Mule waited and waited. Still no one came.

Pig said, "It's time for a snack. I will get an egg bun! I will pay with this dime."





Then Mule said, "It's time for a snack. I will get a plum cake!"

Mule paid with the dime.

Pig said, "I want another egg bun! I will pay with this dime."

Mule said, "I want another plum cake! I will pay with this dime!"





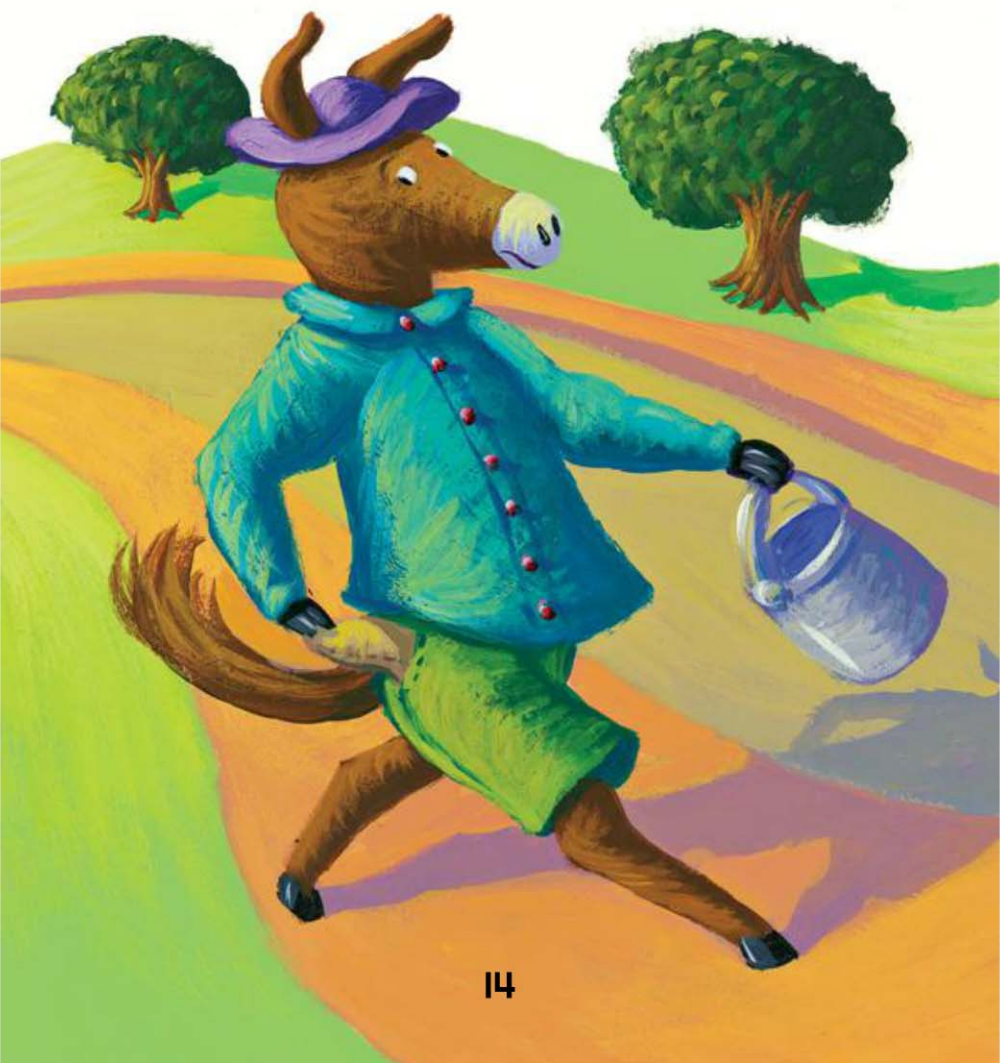
All day, Pig and Mule went back and forth. Pig bought Mule's egg buns. He paid with his dime.

Mule bought Pig's plum cakes. He paid with the same dime.

At the end of the day, all the buns and cakes were gone!

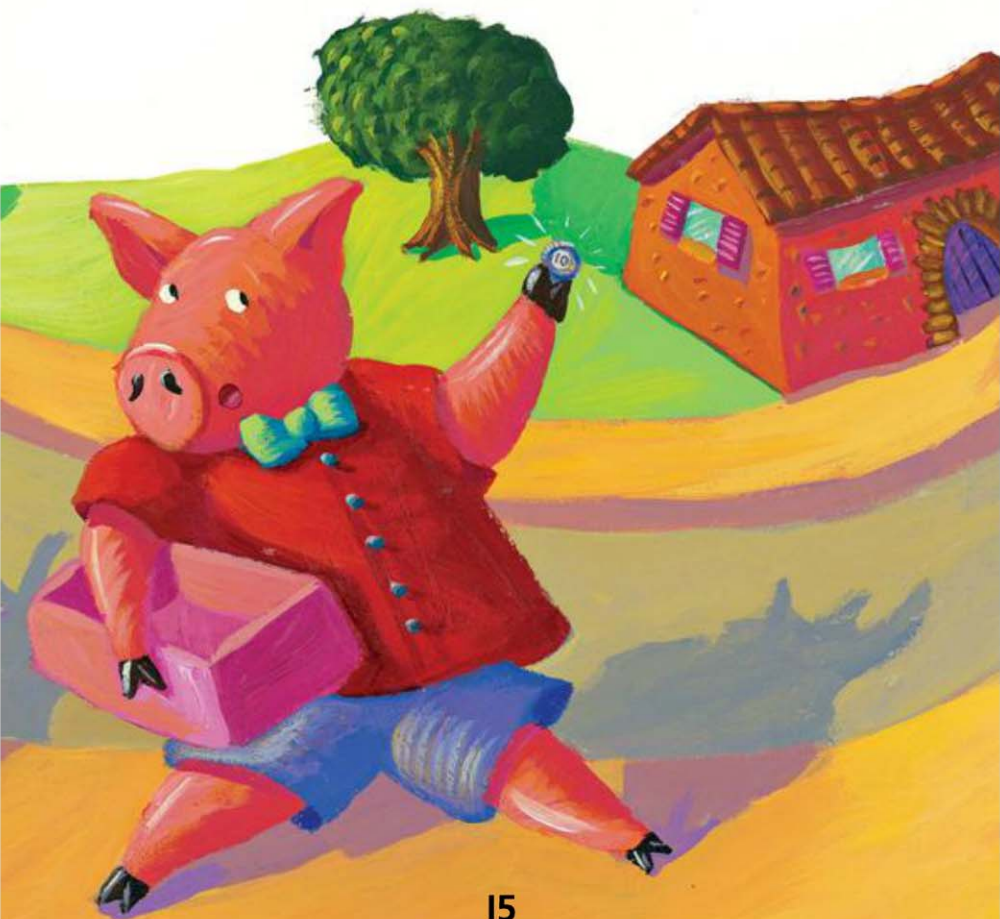
Pig and Mule walked home.

Pig said, "I sold all my plum cakes. But I just have my dime."



Mule said, "I sold all my egg buns. But I didn't even make a dime!"

The pals did not know why they were not rich.



Comprehension Check

Retell

Use a Predictions Chart to check your predictions about the story. Then retell the story.

What I Predict	What Happens

Think and Compare

1. What do you think will happen the next time Pig and Mule sell cakes and buns?
2. Have you ever made anything with a friend? What was it?
3. When people have something to sell, how do they let others know about it?

Literacy Activities



Dear Friend,

Imagine that you are Pig or Mule. Write a postcard to a friend who lives far away. Tell your friend about your day selling cakes or buns in town.



Animal Habitats

Copy the chart. Check the box that tells where each animal lives. Then add another name of a farm animal, a forest animal, or an ocean animal.

Animal	Farm	Forest	Ocean
fox			
mule			
pig			
robin			
shark			



Teammates

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