

Folk Tale

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Read to Find Out

Will Fox or Snail win a race?

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: 255

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One day, Fox lay in the grass. He swung his tail this way and that way. Fox sang, "Hum, hum. I like to run, run!"



Snail sat upon a rock across the way. Snail saw Fox.

Snail asked, "Did you lose something, Fox?"



"No, I am looking for someone to race," Fox said.

"I will race you!"
said Snail.

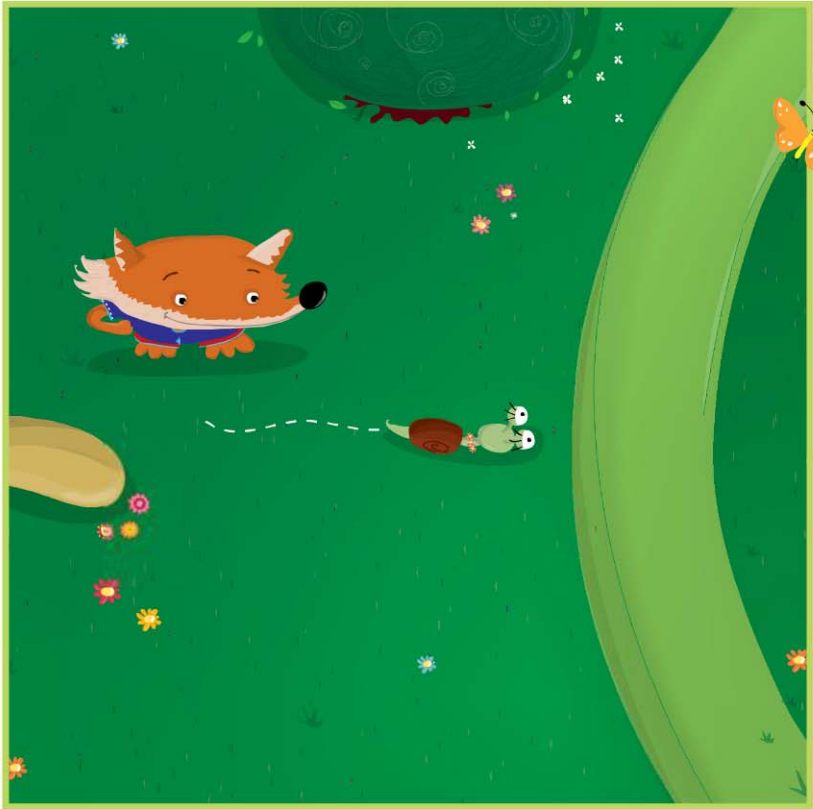


"Ha, ha!" Fox laughed.
"Can you race to the
gate? It is eight miles
away. It will take you
days and days!"



Snail just smiled. "I will
race to the gate."

Snail set off at once.



Fox saw Snail go. Snail
walked inch by inch.



“Snail is so slow!” thought Fox. “I will take a nap. Then I will run. I will still win the race!”



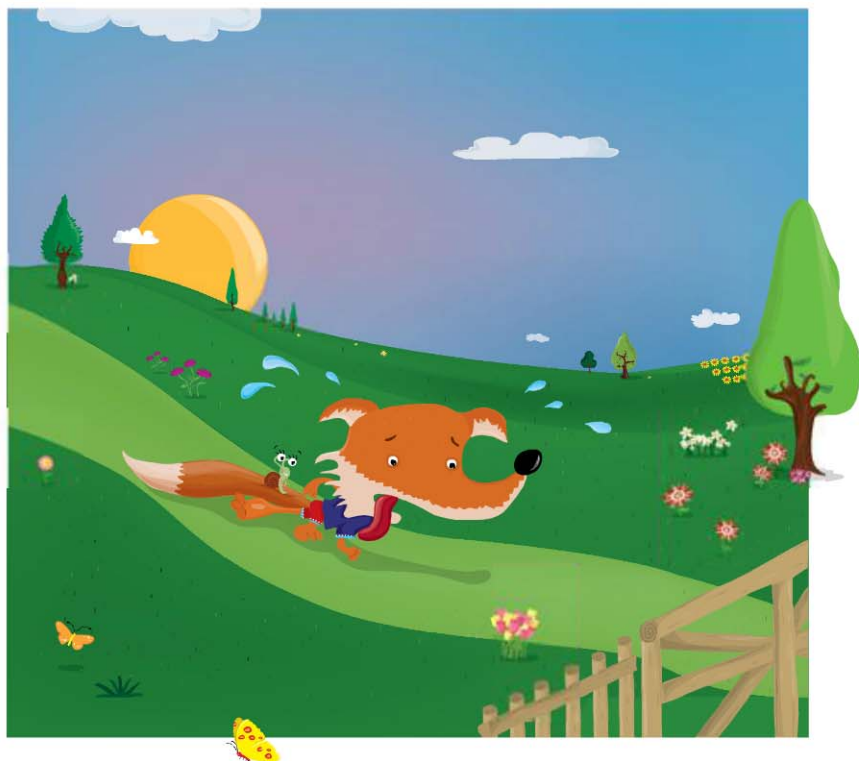
"I am slow, but I am
smart," thought Snail.
"I will let Fox carry me!"

Snail walked into Fox's tail.



Fox woke up and sang,
"Hum, hum. Time to win
the race!"

But where was Snail?
Fox did not pass her.

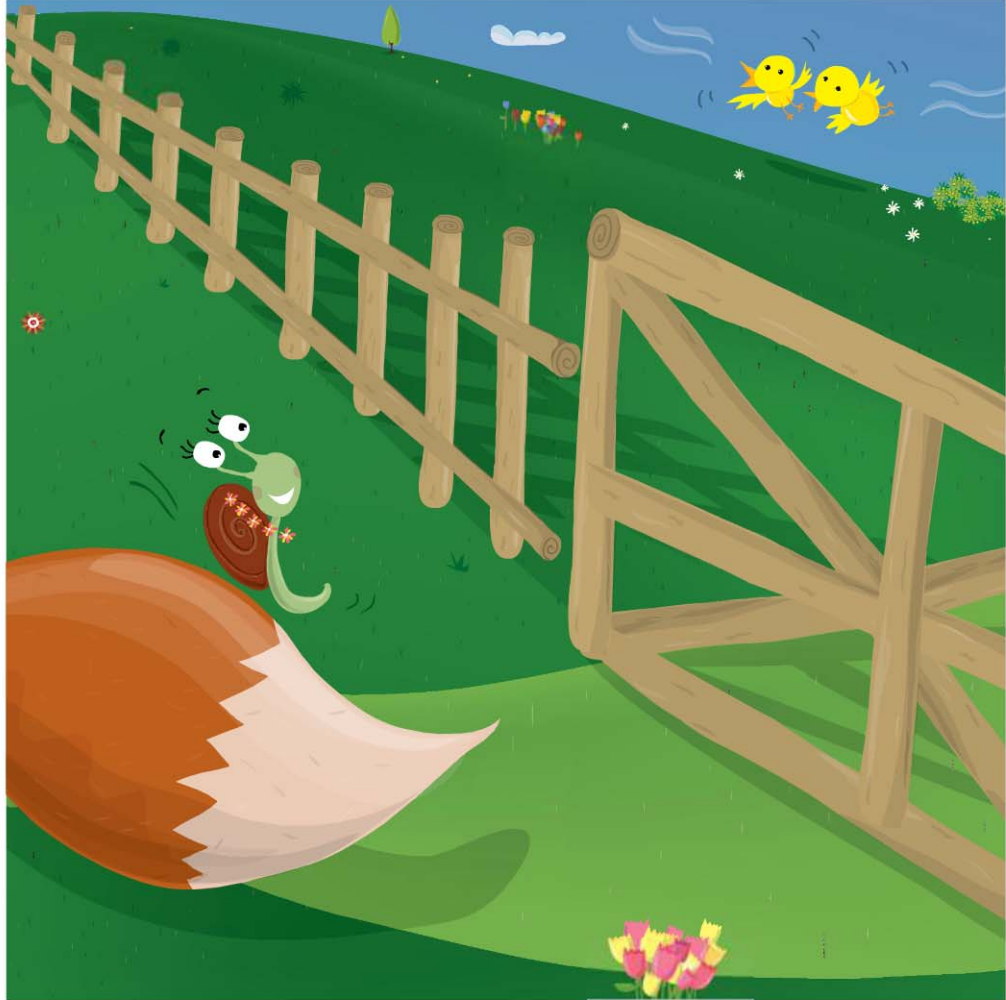


Fox ran and ran. Still he
didn't see Snail. Fox ran
faster and faster.

Snail hung on to Fox's tail.



At last, Fox came to the gate. Snail walked from Fox's tail to the gate. Fox did not see Snail.



Fox looked this way and that way. "Snail is not here," he said. "I win the race!"



"I am here, Fox. I am waiting for you," said Snail.
"You did lose something!"



What did Fox lose?
Fox lost the race!

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 Fox will do next?
2. How would you feel if you were Fox at the end of the story?
How would you feel if you were Snail at the end of the story? Explain.
3. How do kids feel when someone brags? Why?

Literacy Activities



What Snail Thought

What did Snail think as Fox carried her to the gate? Draw a picture of Snail in Fox's tail. Add a thought balloon. Write what Snail is thinking.



What Do They Have?

Read the animal names. Check the box that tells what each one has.

Animal	Fur	Shell
fox		
snail		
turtle		
dog		



Teammates

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