# Children's Stories, POEMS, and songs





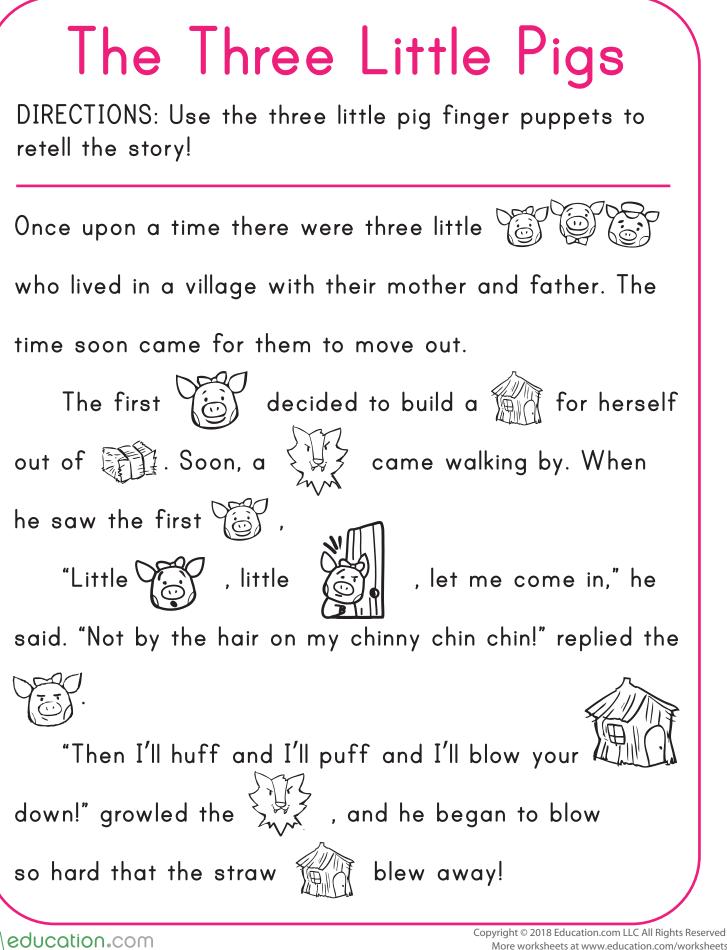
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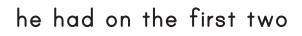
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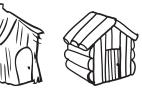
"Then I'll huff and I'll puff and I'll blow your



in!" said the

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angle , and he began to blow as





was different. Try as he might,

down! After tiring

he couldn't knock the

But this

himself out, he decided to try and sneak in through



Little did he know there was a



of hot

water waiting for him at the bottom! He fell in with

a splash as the



laughed around him.

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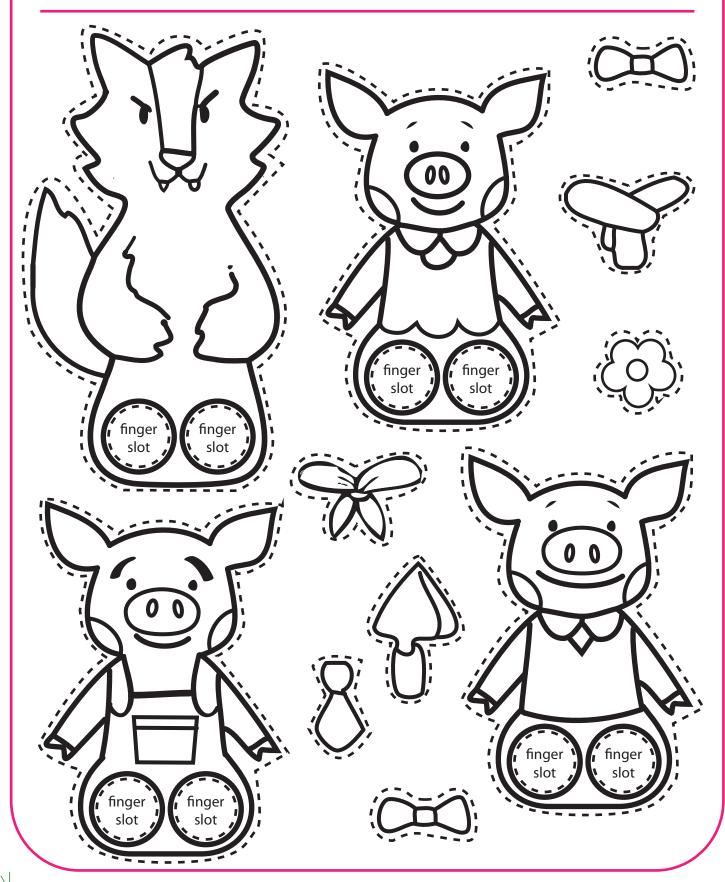
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ran away, never to bother the



again.

# The Three Little Pigs



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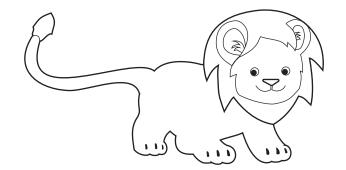
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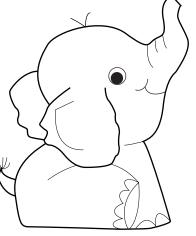
by A.A. Milne

Ernest was an elephant, a great big fellow, Leonard was a lion with a six foot tail, George was a goat, and his beard was yellow, And James was a very small snail.

Leonard had a stall, and a great big strong one, Ernest had a manger, and its walls were thick, George found a pen, but I think it was the wrong one, And James sat down on a brick

Ernest started trumpeting, and cracked his manger, Leonard started roaring, and shivered his stall, James gave a huffle of a snail in danger And nobody heard him at all.





# The Four Friends

by A.A. Milne



Ernest started trumpeting and raised such a rumpus,

Leonard started roaring and trying to kick,

James went on a journey with the goat's new compass And he reached the end of his brick.

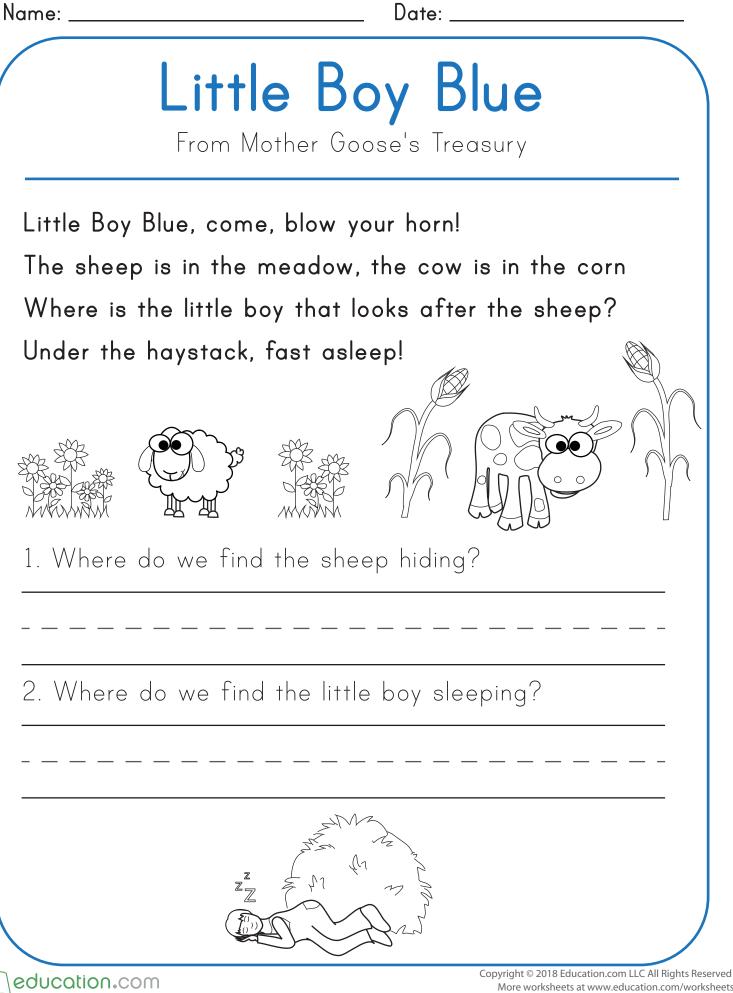
Ernest was an elephant and very well-intentioned, Leonard was a lion with a brave new tail, George was a goat, as I think I have mentioned,

but James was only a snail.

What animal was George?

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# The Hare and the Tortoise

by Aesop

A Hare was making fun of the Tortoise one day for being so slow.

"Do you ever get anywhere?" he asked with a mocking laugh.

"Yes," replied the Tortoise, "and I get there sooner than you think. I'll run you a race and prove it."

The Hare was much amused at the idea of running a race with the Tortoise, but for the fun of the thing he agreed. So the Fox, who had consented to act as judge, marked the distance and started the runners off.

The Hare was soon far out of sight, and to make the Tortoise feel very deeply how ridiculous it was for him to try a race with a Hare, he lay down beside the course to take a nap until the Tortoise should catch up.

The Tortoise meanwhile kept going slowly but steadily, and, after a time, passed the place where the Hare was sleeping. But the Hare slept on very peacefully; and when at last he did wake up, the Tortoise was near the goal. The Hare now ran his swiftest, but he could not overtake the Tortoise in time.

Moral: The race is not always to the swift.

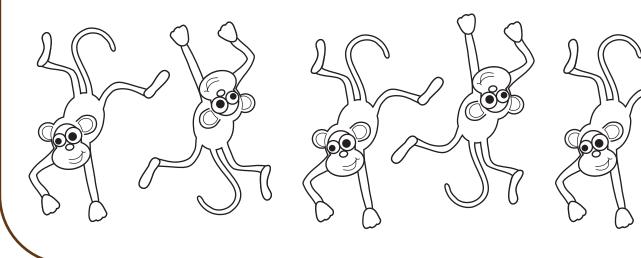
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## Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed

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Four little monkeys jumping on the bed, One fell down and bumped his head, Mama called the doctor and the doctor said, "No more monkeys jumping on the bed!"

Three little monkeys jumping on the bed, One fell down and bumped his head, Mama called the doctor and the doctor said, "No more monkeys jumping on the bed!"



# Five Little Monkeys Jumping on the Bed

Two little monkeys jumping on the bed, One fell down and bumped his head, Mama called the doctor and the doctor said, "No more monkeys jumping on the bed!"

One little monkey jumping on the bed, She fell down and bumped her head, Mama called the doctor and the doctor said, "Put those monkeys straight to bed!"

The five little monkeys jumped on the bed. What happened to each one after they jumped on the bed?

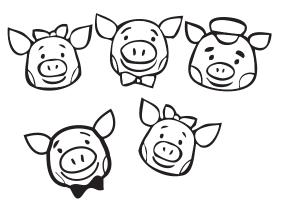

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# The Five Little Pigs

From Mother Goose's Treasury

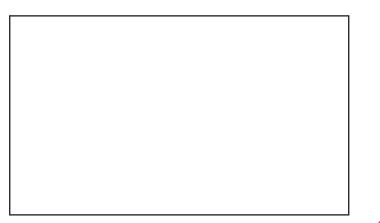
This little pig went to market; This little pig stayed at home; This little pig had roast beef; This little pig had none; This little pig said, "Wee, wee! I can't find my way home."



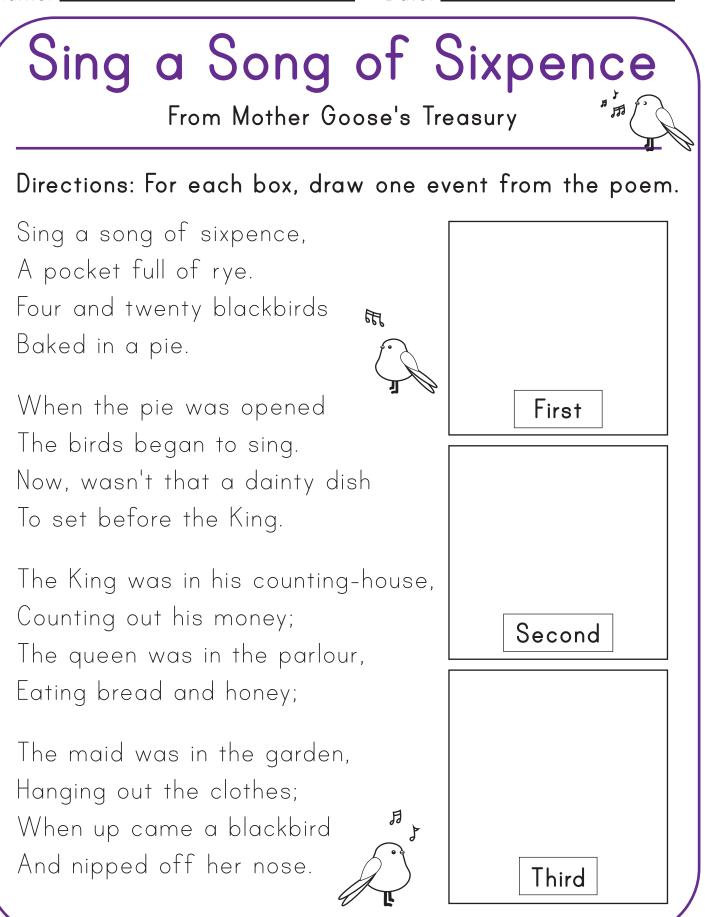
1. What did the second pig do in the poem?

2. Where did the first pig go?

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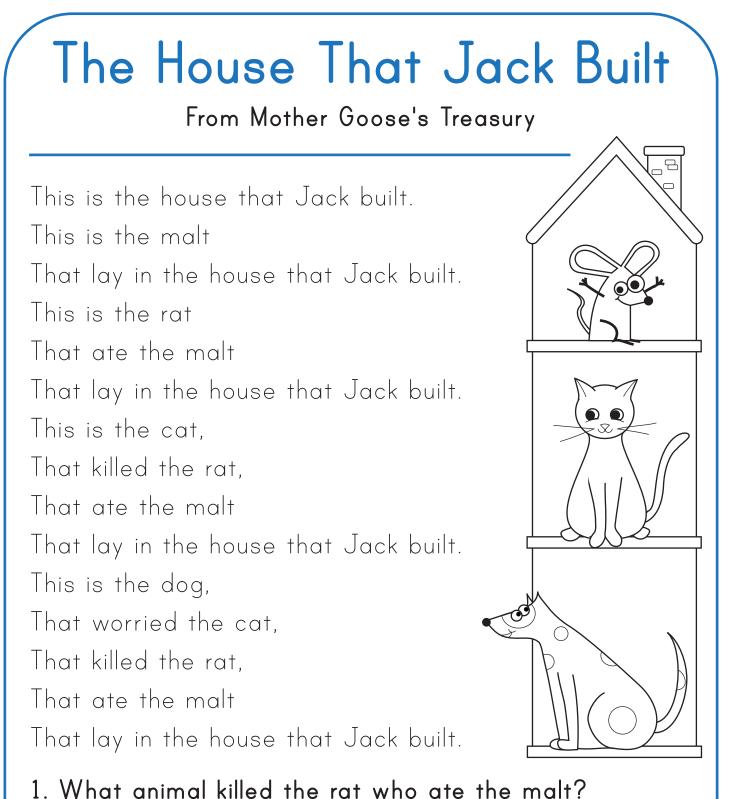


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# Furry Bear

by A. A. Milne

If I were a bear, And a big bear too, I shouldn't much care If it froze or snew; I shouldn't much mind If it snowed or friz— I'd be all fur-lined With a coat like his!



For I would have fur boots and a brown fur wrap, And brown fur knickers and a big fur cap. I'd have a fur muffle-ruff to cover my jaws. And brown fur mittens on my big brown paws. With a big brown furry-down up to my head, I'd sleep all the winter in a big fur bed.

What might you do if you were a bear getting ready for winter?

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## The Sweet Soup

From Mother Goose's Treasury

ONCE upon a time there was a poor but very good little girl, who lived alone with her mother, and when my story begins, they had nothing in the house to eat. The child went out into the forest, and there she met an old woman, who already knew her distress. The old woman who presented her with a pot which had the following power: If one said to it, "Boil, little pot!" it would cook sweet soup; and when one said: "Stop, little pot!" it would immediately cease to boil. The little girl took the pot home to her mother, and now their poverty was at an end, for they could have sweet broth as often as they pleased.

One day, however, the little girl went out, and in her absence the mother said: "Boil, little pot!" The little pot began to cook, and she soon ate all she wished; but when the poor woman wanted to have the pot stop, she found she did not know the special words. Away, therefore, the pot boiled, and very quickly was over the edge; and as it boiled and boiled the kitchen presently became full, then the house, and the next house, and soon the whole street.

## The Sweet Soup

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It seemed likely to satisfy all the world, for, though there was the greatest necessity to do so, nobody knew how to stop it. At last, when only a very small cottage of all the village was left unfilled with soup, the child returned and said at once: "Stop, little pot!"

Immediately it ceased to boil; but whoever wishes to enter the village now must eat his way through the soup!!!

 What did the little pot cook when the little girl said "Boil, little pot"?

2. What happened when the mother could not stop the pot from boiling?



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## The Ants and the Grasshopper

by Aesop

One bright day in late autumn a family of Ants were bustling about in the warm sunshine, drying out the grain they had stored up during the summer, when a starving Grasshopper, his fiddle under his arm, came up and humbly begged for a bite to eat.

"What!" cried the Ants in surprise, "haven't you stored anything away for the winter? What in the world were you doing all last summer?"

"I didn't have time to store up any food," whined the Grasshopper; "I was so busy making music that before I knew it the summer was gone."

The Ants shrugged their shoulders in disgust.

"Making music, were you?" they cried. "Very well; now dance!" And they turned their backs on the Grasshopper and went on with their work.

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Moral: There's a time for work and a time for play.

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	and the Grasshoppe by Aesop
1. What season	were the ants preparing for?
2. What were the	e ants storing for themselves?
3. Why did the g	grasshopper not store anything?

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# Little Red Hen

From Mother Goose's Treasury

Little Red Hen found a grain of wheat. "Who will plant this?" She asked.

"Not I," said the cat.

"Not I," said the goose.

"Not I," said the rat.

"Then I will," said Little Red Hen.

So she buried the wheat in the ground. After a while it grew up yellow and ripe.

"The wheat is ripe now," said Little Red Hen. "Who will cut and thresh it?"

"Not I," said the cat.

"Not I," said the goose.

"Not I," said the rat.

"Then I will," said Little Red Hen.

So she cut it with her bill and threshed it with her wings. Then she asked, "Who will take this wheat to the mill?"

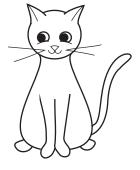
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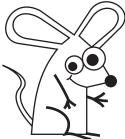
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"Then I will," said Little Red Hen.

So she took the wheat to the mill, where it was ground. Then she carried the flour home.





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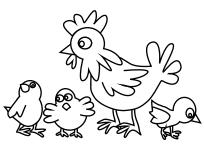
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"Who will make me some bread with this flour?" She asked.

"Not I," said the cat.

"Not I," said the goose.

"Not I," said the rat.



"Then I will," said Little Red Hen. So she made and baked the bread.

Then she said. "Now we shall see who will eat this

bread."

"We will," said the cat, goose, and rat.

"I am quite sure you would," said Little Red Hen, "if you could get it."

Then she called her chicks, and they ate up all the bread.

There was none left at all for the cat, or the goose, or the rat.

### Activity For The Little Red Hen

1. Print out the patterns for the Little Red Hen, cat, goose, rat, wheat, flour bag, and windmill. If available, print on cardstock or thicker paper. Ask children to color in the patterns, then help cut them out and glue them onto popsicle sticks. Put on a puppet show with the puppets based on the story, "The Little Red Hen".

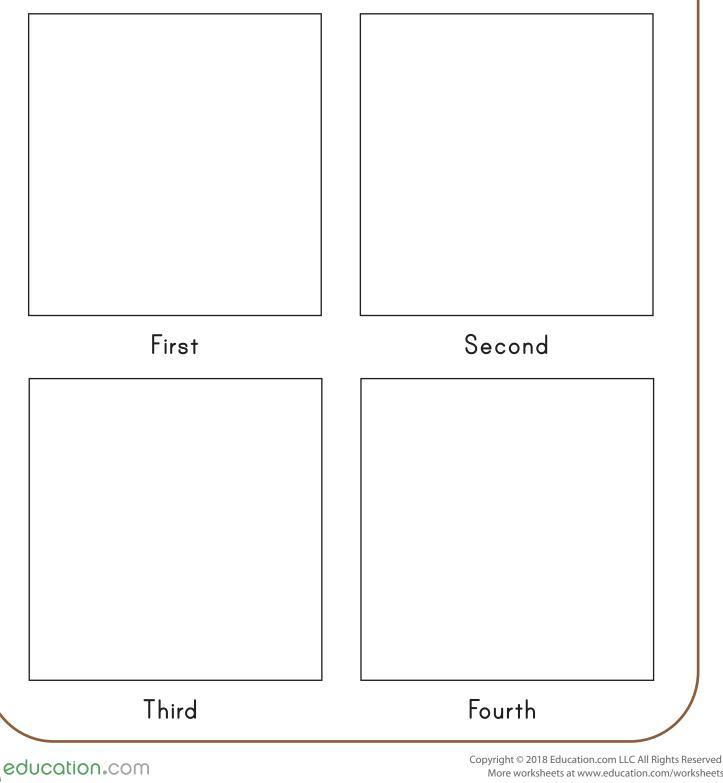


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Directions: Draw a picture of what happened First, Second, Third, Fourth in the story.



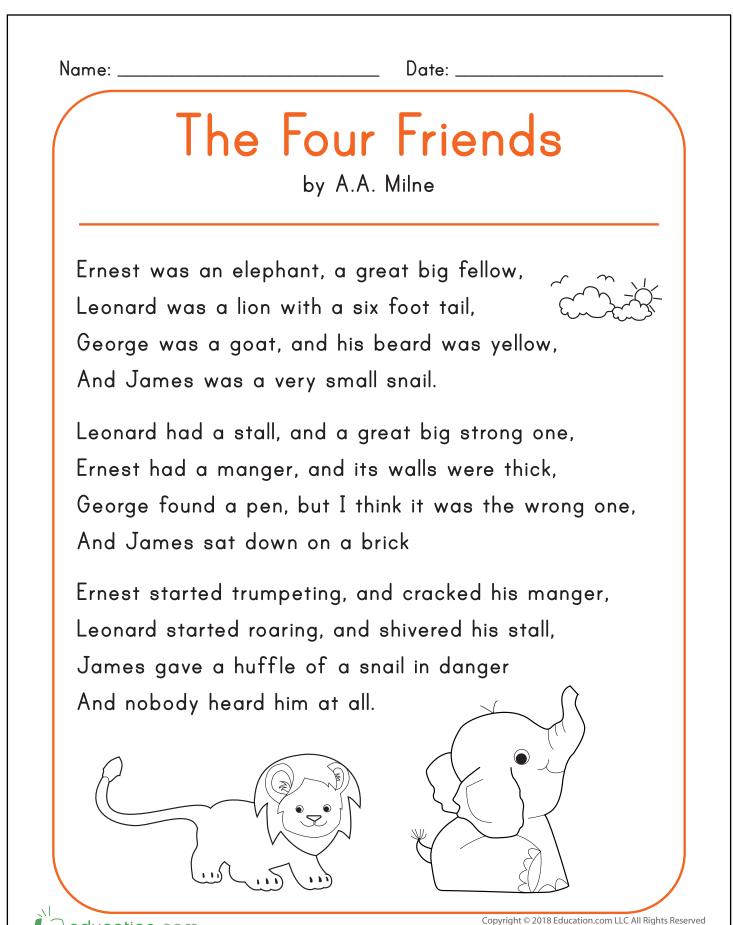
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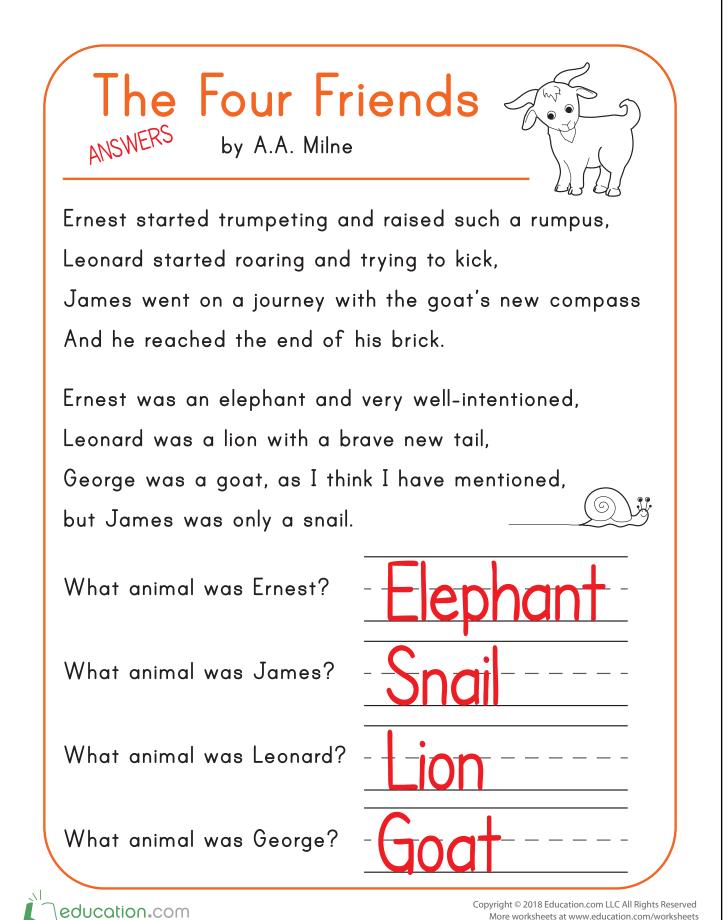
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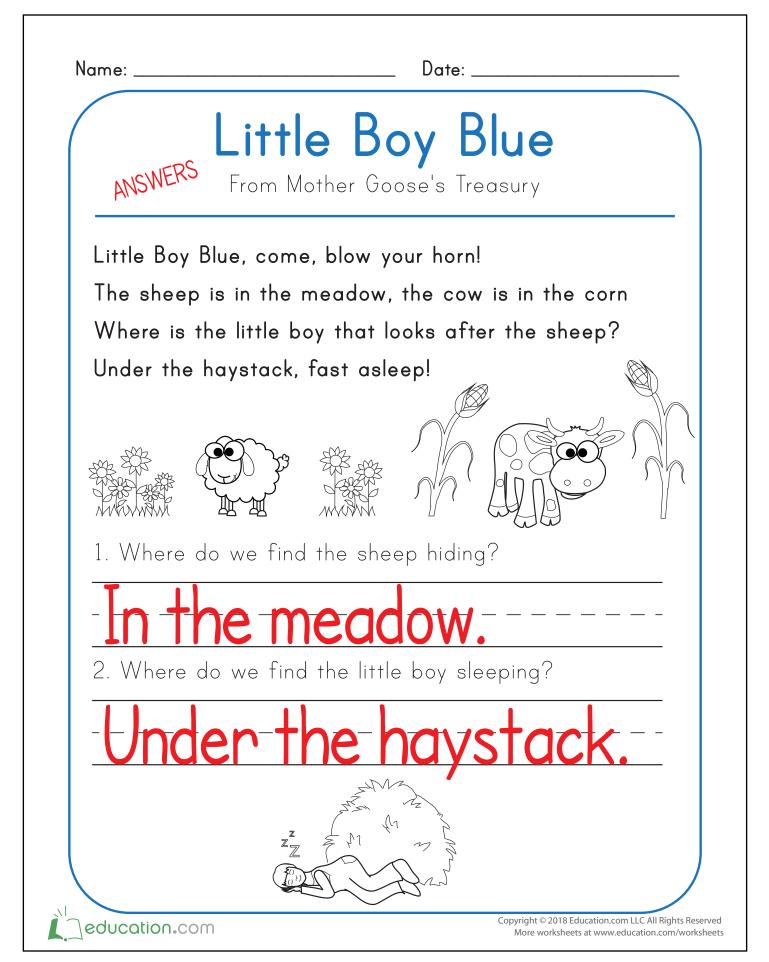
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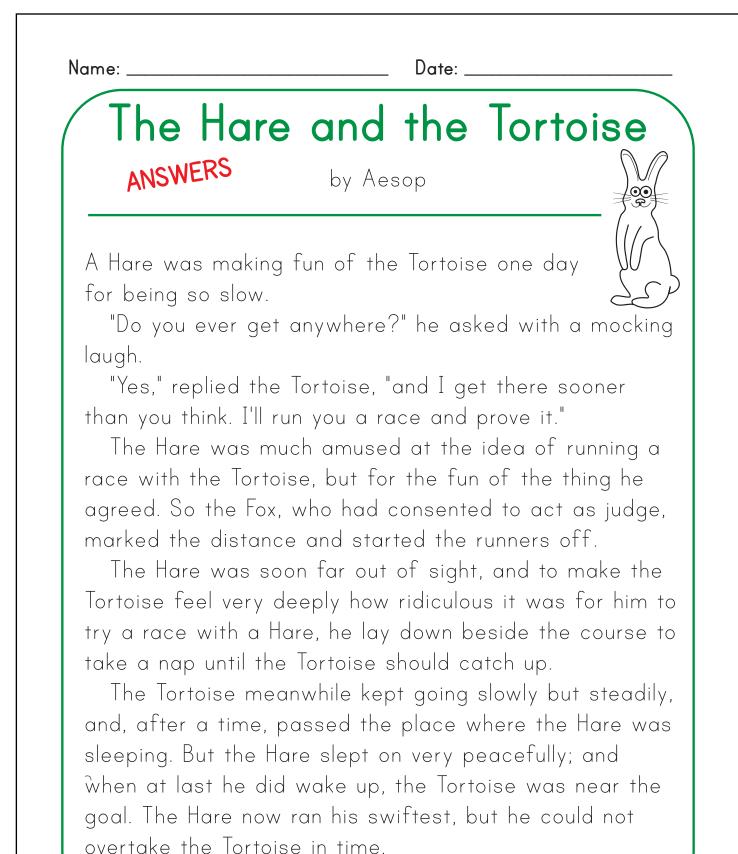


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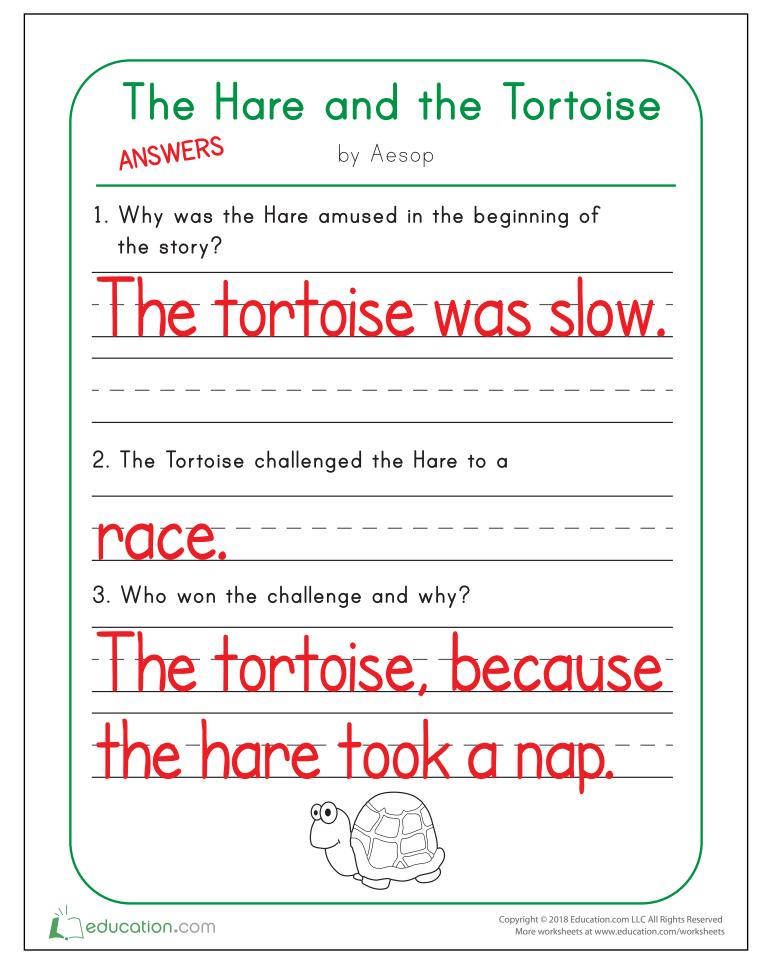


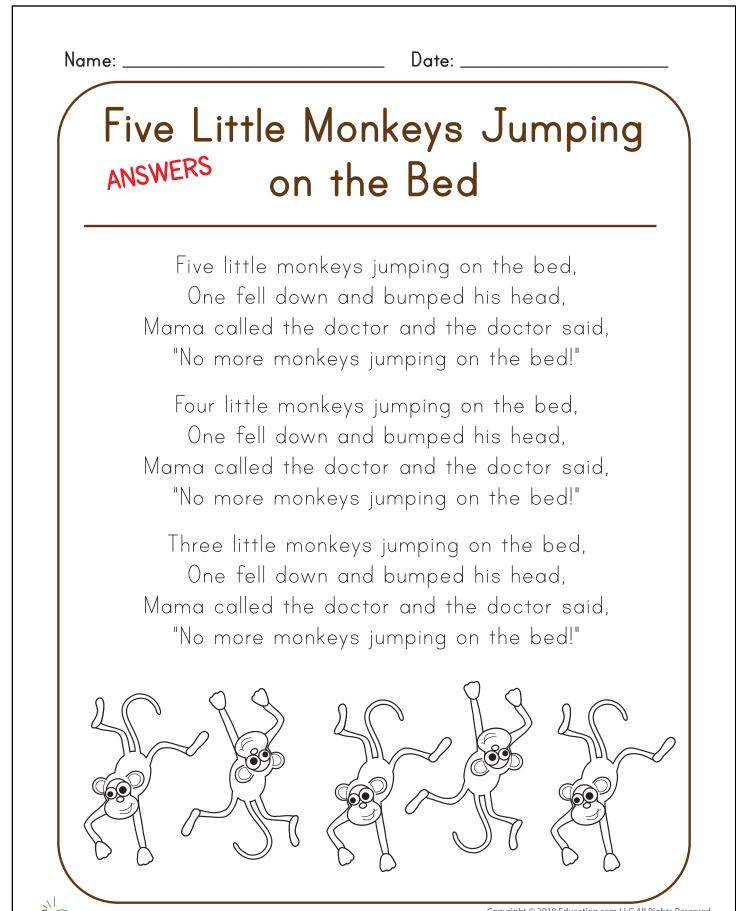
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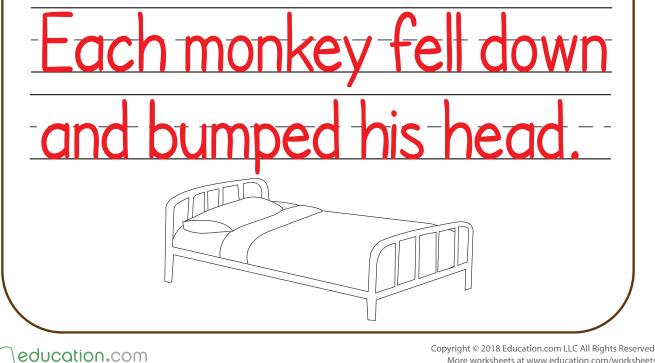
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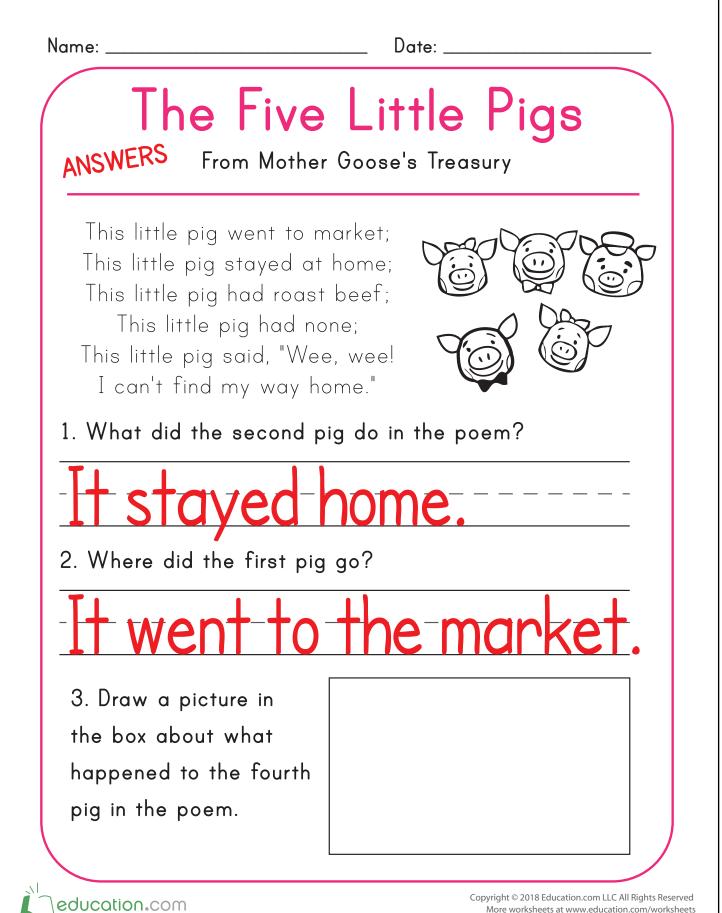
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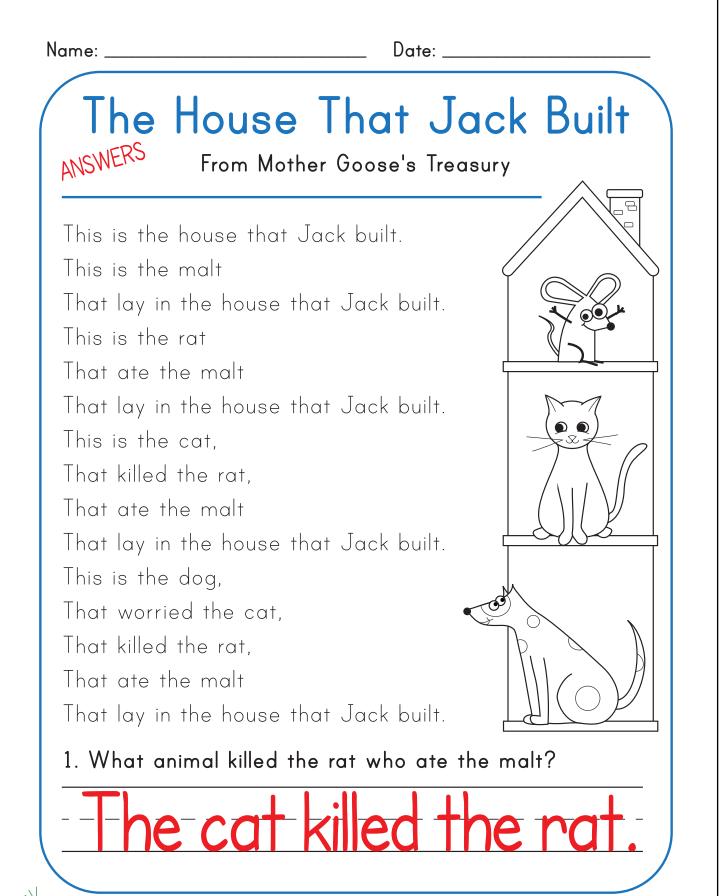
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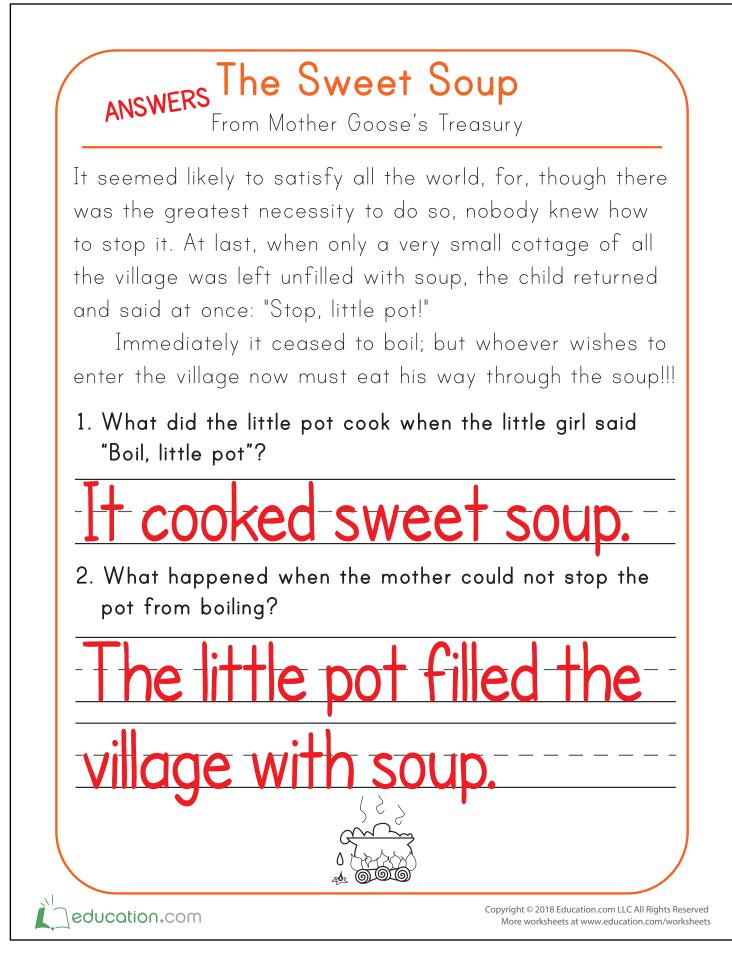


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2. What were t	he ants storing for themselves?
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3. Why did the	grasshopper not store anything?
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