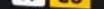


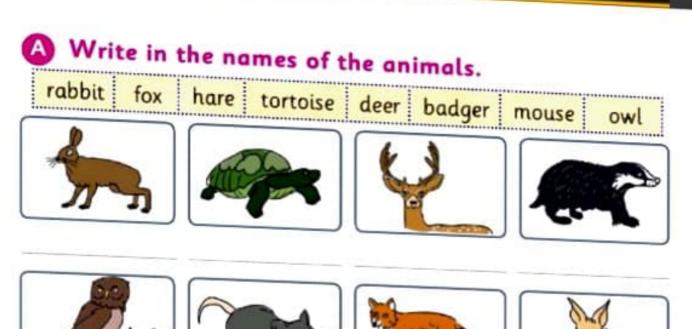
# The Hare and the Tortoise

Unit



Once upon a time, there lived a hare that was always boasting. 'I am faster than all the other animals,' he boasted. The tortoise was fed up listening to his boasting. 'Let's have a race,' he said to the hare. The hare laughed at the tortoise, but the tortoise just smiled. The race started. The hare ran off like the wind. The tortoise plodded along slowly. 'This is too easy,' said the hare. 'Even if I take a nap I will win!' So the hare lay down on the grass and went to sleep in the sun. The tortoise kept plodding along. He didn't stop. After an hour, he passed the sleeping hare. After another hour, he was almost at the winning line. All the animals cheered. The hare woke up. He ran as fast as the wind... but he was too late. The tortoise crossed the winning line just ahead of him. The message of this story is: slow and steady wins the race. 🗶





## B Find the answers in the story.

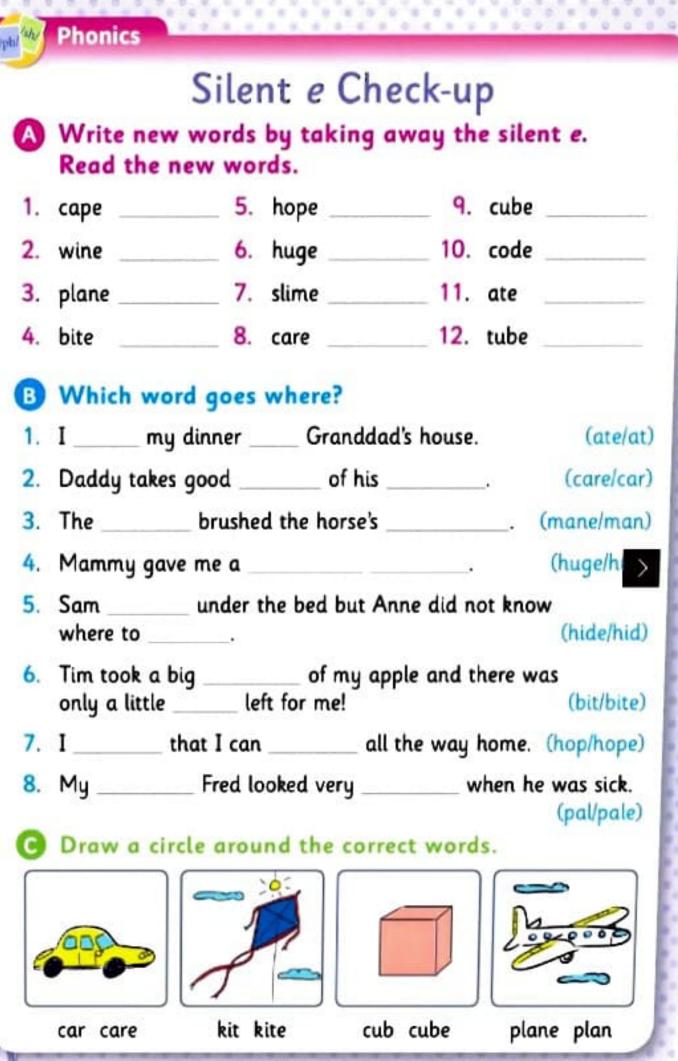
- What animal was always boasting?
- 2. What animal was fed up of the hare boasting?
- Where did the hare lie down for his nap?
- 4. Who won the race?
- 5. What is the message of the story?

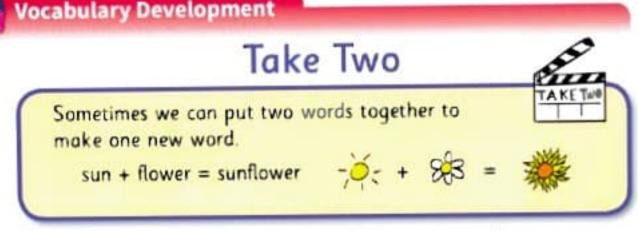
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- 1. Role-play: Act out the story.
- Directed discussion: What is the message of 'The Hare and the Tortoise'? Is the message just about races? Can you think of other times when it is better to take your time than to rush? (crossing the road, painting a picture, doing maths, and so on.)
- Extension exercise: Aesop, who lived long ago, first told this story. Listen to another of his stories, 'The Fox and the Crow' (page 83) and talk about the message.

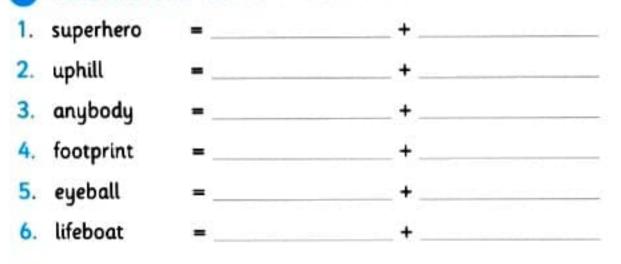




### A Join the words and write the new word.



#### B Find the two words in each word below.



#### Guess the word from the picture and draw the answer.

