The Hare and the Tortoise - A Play

Scene 1

Narrator 1: One day the hare is talking to his friends.

Hare: I’m an excellent runner. I run very fast. I can run faster than all the animals in the forest.

Rabbit: Really?

Hare: Of course! In the forest there are rabbits, foxes, deer, badgers, beavers, mice, hedgehogs snails and insects. They are all slower than me. I am the fastest animal in the forest!

Tortoise: Don’t forget me.

Hare: You! You can’t run! You’re the slowest animal in the forest! Slower than a snail!

Tortoise: If you want, we can have a race..

Hare: What! You and I have a running race.

Tortoise: Yes, you and I.

Hare: OK. We can have a race at 3 o’clock this afternoon!

Narrator 2: All the animals are very excited.

Badgers to the beavers: You must come to see the race..

Mice to the foxes: You must come to see the race.

Snails to the insects: You must come to see the race.

Hedgehog: Everyone must come to the race.
Scene 2

Narrator 1: It’s 3 o’clock. Time for the race!

Badger: Ready, steady … GO!

Narrator 2: The hare runs ahead very quickly. Soon, the other animals can’t see him. He’s running in the forest.

Narrator 1: The tortoise is walking, slowly but surely.

Narrator 2: The hare can’t see the tortoise.

Hare: He’s so slow! I can stop and wait for him.

Narrator 1: The hare sits down under a big tree to wait for the tortoise. And … he falls asleep!

Narrator 2: The tortoise is walking, slowly but surely. He passes the sleeping hare.

Narrator 1: The hare sleeps and sleeps.

Narrator 2: The tortoise walks and walks. Soon he can see the winning post!

All the animals: Look, here comes the tortoise!

Narrator 1: The hare wakes up, but it’s too late!

Narrator 2: The tortoise is the winner!

All the animals: Hurrah, hurrah! The tortoise is the winner!

Tortoise: Yes. Slowly but surely wins the race.
The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse - A Play

Scene 1

Narrator 1: One day a town mouse goes to visit her cousin in the country. She likes the green fields, the river, the pretty flowers and the big green trees.

Narrator 2: The country mouse lives in a lovely little house. The kitchen cupboard is full of lovely, fresh fruit and vegetables, bread and cheese and some delicious honey.

Town Mouse: The country is very beautiful but I don’t like the quiet. And I don’t like eating vegetables, bread and cheese every day. I want to go back to the town. You can come with me and see how wonderful it is. And what delicious things we have to eat.

Scene 2

Narrator 1: The two little mice arrive at the town house the next day.

Town Mouse: Come into the dining room and we can have lunch.

Narrator 2: The country mouse is amazed to see all the wonderful food on the table.

Narrator 1: Suddenly a man and a lady come into the dining room.

Town Mouse: Quickly, run! We must hide!

Narrator 2: The mice hide inside a vase.

Narrator 1: The man and the lady have lunch and then go away.

Town Mouse: It’s OK now. We can have our lunch.

Country Mouse: This house is dangerous!

Town Mouse: Come here and try this roast beef. Then have some chocolate cake and ice cream, it’s all delicious!
Scene 3

Narrator 2: That evening the two little mice are looking at the delicious fish on the table.

Narrator 1: Suddenly a big, fat cat comes into the dining room.

Town House: Quickly, run! We must hide from the cat!

Narrator 2: The mice hide under a mat.

Narrator 1: The cat can’t see them and goes away.

Town Mouse: It’s OK now.

Narrator 2: But it isn’t OK!

Narrator 2: All the family come into the dining room.

Town Mouse: Quickly, run! We must hide!

Narrator 1: The mice hide behind an armchair.

Narrator 2: The family have dinner and then go away.

Town Mouse: It’s OK now. We can have our dinner.

Country Mouse: It’s not OK! I don’t want dinner! I don’t like hiding from the lady and hiding from the cat and hiding from the family. I don’t like this dangerous house!

Narrator 1: The country mouse puts on her coat and goes out of the house.

Country Mouse: Goodbye! I’m going home. I like eating bread and cheese in my quiet little house in the country. I don’t like eating delicious ice cream and cake in a dangerous house in the town.’
The Lion and the Mouse - A Play

Scene 1

Narrator 1: It’s a lovely sunny day in the jungle. Some little mice are playing and a big lion is sleeping in the sun.

Narrator 2: One little mouse jumps on the lion’s leg. The lion wakes up with a ROAR! He puts his big paw on the mouse’s tail and opens his mouth. He wants to eat the mouse!

Mouse: Squeak, squeak. I’m very sorry. Please don’t eat me!

Lion: OK. I’m a kind lion. You can go and play with your friends.

Mouse: Oh! Thank you. Perhaps one day I can help you.

Lion: I don’t think a little mouse can help a big lion.

Scene 2

Narrator 1: The next day the little mouse is walking in the jungle and he hears a strange cry.

Narrator 2: It’s the lion. He’s in a lion trap!

Mouse: I can help you.

Lion: How can you help me. You’re only a little mouse.

Narrator 1: The little mouse sits down next to the lion’s head. He starts to gnaw at the rope.

Narrator 2: He gnaws and he gnaws and he gnaws. Suddenly the rope breaks and the lion is free!

Lion: Thank you little mouse. You’re a good friend.

Mouse: Yes … Little friends can be great friends!’