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**G5 English Reading Competition Articles**

1. **The Lion and the Mouse**



**One day a lion lay sleeping in the sun. By mistake, a small mouse ran over his nose. The lion woke up and caught the mouse.**

**“Please let me go!” said the mouse, “I didn’t mean to disturb you. I was only looking for seeds for my hungry children.”**

**“What do I care about your children?” said the lion. “I’m hungry, too.”**

**“Let me go,” said the mouse, “and I’ll do a kind deed for you someday.”**

**“You make me laugh,” said the lion. “How do you think a little creature like you can help a mighty creature like me? But, yes, I’ll let you go because you make me laugh.” The lion lifted his paw and the mouse ran away.**

**A few days later, the mouse heard sad roaring in the distance. “That’s the lion!” she said. The lion was trapped under a huge net.**

**“I’m in big trouble!” cried the lion. “The hunters will come back and kill me!”**

**“Don’t be afraid,” said the mouse. As quickly as she could, she chewed a hole in the net with her sharp little teeth. When the hole was big enough for the lion to escape, she said, “You see? I told you I would repay you, even though I’m so small.”**

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**Every day, a little boy came to a tree. He climbed her trunk, swung from her branches and ate her apples.**

**As the boy grew older, the tree was often alone. One day, he came back. The tree said, “Come, climb and swing and eat!”**

**The boy said, “I’m too big for that. I want to buy things. Can you give me some money?”**

**The tree was happy and replied, “I have no money. Take my apples and sell them.”**

**The next time, the boy said, “I’m too busy to climb trees. I want a house to keep me warm.”**

**The tree was very happy and said, “Cut off my branches to make a house.”**

**The next time, the tree was again happy to see him.**

**“I’m too sad and old to play,” the boy said. “I want a boat.”**

**The tree said, cut down my trunk to make a boat.”**

**After a very long time the boy came back. The tree was very happy but said, “I’m sorry - I have nothing left for you.”**

**The boy said, “My teeth are too weak for apples. I’m too old to swing. I’m too tired to climb.”**

**“Well,” said the tree. “I’m only a stump now, but that’s good for sitting. Come, sit down and rest.”**

**The boy did, and the tree was happy.**

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