

The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse

Once upon a time the town mouse went to visit his cousin in the country.

When he arrived he was tired and hungry and thought that country mouse would have a tasty supper ready for him.

But no, he was told that in the country they have to go and forage for their own food.

The town mouse did not think much of this and by the time they had both finished their meal poor old town mouse was still hungry.

'How do you live like this?' said the town mouse, 'I like a bit of luxury in my life!'

At that moment, a loud 'moo' was heard from the other side of the hedge, sending the town mouse scampering for cover under a nearby bush.

Then country mouse looked up and shouted ' Run as fast as you can .There's an owl after us! He wants us

for his dinner!'

This was all too much for the town mouse to take and he announced that he was going home.

'Why not come with me to my house, Cousin? I'll show you what life should be like '

So the two mice set off for the city. When they arrived it was already late so the town mouse took his cousin into a grand dining room where they found a huge chunk of cheese, piles of carrots and some very tasty ears of corn. They were busy chomping away at their feast when a loud noise was heard in the next room.

'What on earth is that?' whispered the country mouse hardly daring to breathe.

Oh, don't worry about that! It's only the dogs coming back from their walk' replied his cousin They won't hurt you.'

But as he spoke, the dogs rushed into the room snarling and barking and wanting their supper.

'Well that's it ! I'm off' said the country mouse I can't live here like this!

And he was out the door before he had finished his sentence!