LESSON PLAN

The Ant and the Grasshopper

GRADES	TIME	READING LEVEL
2–4	50 min	1

Lesson flow



5 min

Opening Hook

Ask pupils what they have to prepare in advance, such as a school bag or homework.

15 min

Story Exploration

Read the story aloud. Ask pupils what each character is thinking in summer and in winter.

15 min

Analysis Exercises

Pupils debate: should the Ant share her food? Each side gives two reasons.

10 min

Application/Reflection

Pupils write one thing they can prepare today that will help them next week.

5 min

Assessment Strategy

Pupils explain what the Grasshopper should have done, using the moral.

STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and Moral**: The Ant and the Grasshopper - "Work today so you are ready for tomorrow."
- **Plot Summary**: A grasshopper sings all summer while an ant stores food, and when winter comes only the ant is prepared.

LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:
  - Compare the choices of the Ant and the Grasshopper.
  - Explain the moral in their own words.
  - Discuss whether the Ant should share her food.
- **Discussion Questions**:
  1. Why does the Ant keep working?
  2. Why does the Grasshopper laugh at her?
  3. Should the Ant share her food? Why or why not?
- **Required Materials**:
  - Copies of the story
  - Whiteboard and markers

- Paper for notes and reflections