LESSON PLAN

The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse

GRADES	TIME	READING LEVEL
2–4	50 min	1

Lesson flow



5 min

Opening Hook

Ask pupils whether they would prefer a fancy meal in a scary place or a plain meal at home.

15 min

Story Exploration

Read the story aloud. Pupils list what each mouse has and what each mouse lacks.

15 min

Analysis Exercises

Using a two-column chart, pupils compare town life and country life.

10 min

Application/Reflection

Pupils write about what makes them feel safe and happy at home.

5 min

Assessment Strategy

Pupils state the moral and give one detail from each setting that supports it.

STORY OVERVIEW

- **Title and Moral**: The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse - "A simple life in peace is better than a rich life in fear."
- **Plot Summary**: A country mouse visits her cousin in town, enjoys a feast, but is chased by dogs and decides she prefers home.

LESSON FUNDAMENTALS

- **Learning Objectives**:
  - Compare the two settings in the story.
  - Explain why the Country Mouse goes home.
  - Discuss what makes people content.
- **Discussion Questions**:
  1. What does the Town Mouse think of the country?
  2. What happens during the feast?
  3. Which life would you choose, and why?
- **Required Materials**:
  - Copies of the story
  - Whiteboard and markers
  - Paper for notes and reflections

✓ Original text available on the story page.