

Questions

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 - ☐ He used his bike.
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 - ☐ because he thought that it wasn't fair
 - ☐ because he thought that the tortoise had cheated
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The Tortoise and the Hare

Once, there was a hare who told everyone how fast he could run.

The tortoise thought he was a show-off. He asked the hare for a race. The hare thought it would be easy.

All of the animals got together to watch the race.



The hare set off. After a little while, he decided to stop for a rest.

"You are so slow, you will never win!" he said to the tortoise.

The hare sat down by a tree. "That tortoise will never beat me!" he thought. The hare soon fell asleep.

The tortoise kept going. He didn't stop until he got to the end of the race.

"Hooray!" the animals shouted. "Tortoise, you have won!"

The cheering woke up the hare.

He ran as fast as he could, but it was too late. The tortoise had won.

"It's not fair!" said the hare. "I was asleep, we have to do the race again!"

But this time, no-one listened to the hare.



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