

## Aesop's Fables - Unit 2

1. In *The Cat, the Cock, and the Young Mouse*, what did the Mouse learn not to do?
2. In *The Wolf and the Shepherd*, why did the Shepherd leave the Wolf with his sheep?
3. In *The Goose and the Golden Egg*, why did the Countryman kill the Goose?
4. In *Mercury and the Woodman*, what did the Woodman lose in the pool? Why was he allowed to keep the three axes?
5. In *The Serpent and the Eagle*, how did the eagle save the Countryman?
6. In *The Hare and the Tortoise* who won the race? How did he win?

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| prowling   | roaming stealthily, as if hunting for prey    |
| consented  | agreed or allowed                             |
| briny      | very salty                                    |
| ornamental | decorative or providing adornment             |
| bluff      | an attempt to deceive or mislead someone      |
| estate     | a large piece of land, or everything one owns |
| relish     | immense joy                                   |
| wringing   | twisting and squeezing                        |
| coaxing    | trying to persuade by gentle means            |
| greedy     | always wanting more                           |