

Fable

Keith is reading a fable about an ant and a grasshopper.

The Ant and the Grasshopper

It was summer. A young grasshopper was singing on the grass happily when he saw an ant carrying a grain of corn on her back.

‘Why don’t you come and play? Look how happy I am!’ he said.

5 ‘I’m busy saving up food for winter and I think you should do the same,’ the ant replied.

‘**Huh**, why should I? I have plenty of food now!’ said the grasshopper in an arrogant tone.

‘You should always prepare for the future. My
10 friends are working hard too. **We** are all finding food,’ said the ant.

‘No way! I don’t like working!’ the grasshopper did not care about what the ant said and hopped away.

When winter came, the ant saw the grasshopper lying on the field. He
15 did not have any food to eat.



‘You poor thing—why didn’t you work hard in summer?’ the ant asked and she shared some corn with the grasshopper.

‘Thanks for the food! I... I’ll learn from my
20 mistakes.’ replied the **starving** grasshopper.



A Choose the best answers by blackening the circles.

1. In line 7, the grasshopper said, 'Huh, ...' He _____.
- A. was very tired B. was very full
- C. was very happy D. did not agree with the ant

2. What did the ant and her friends do in summer?



A.



B.



C.



D.

3. Read line 20. The word 'starving' means _____.
- A. upset B. sleepy C. hungry D. arrogant

- ★ 4. What did the grasshopper learn in the end?

- A. He shouldn't make fun of the ant.
- B. He should keep playing all the time.
- C. He should share food with his friends.
- D. He should prepare well for the future.

Q4

Think about what the grasshopper did wrongly.



5. Which of the following is TRUE?

- A. The grasshopper did not like eating corn.
- B. The ant did not save up any food in summer.
- C. The ant was hard-working and kind-hearted.
- D. The grasshopper had plenty of food so he did not worry about winter.

B Answer the questions in short.

6. Read line 10. Who does the pronoun 'We' refer to?
- _____.

- ★ 7. Find a word in the fable to describe the grasshopper.
- _____.

Q7

Find the word between line 5 and line 15.

