Story Message and Lesson

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet - Building Confidence

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All the animals laughed. Hare zoomed off and was soon far ahead. He looked back and could not see Tortoise at all. "I have lots of time," he said. He lay down under a shady bush and fell asleep.

Tortoise kept walking, one slow step at a time. She did not stop to rest. She passed the bush where Hare was snoring.

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After that day, Hare never bragged about his speed again.

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   - She looked up from her lettuce.
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   - The animals laughed at Tortoise.
   - Hare won the race by a little.
   - Tortoise reached the oak tree first.

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   - Tortoise wanted the animals to laugh.
   - Tortoise believed in herself.
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