## Fleety, the Little Mouse

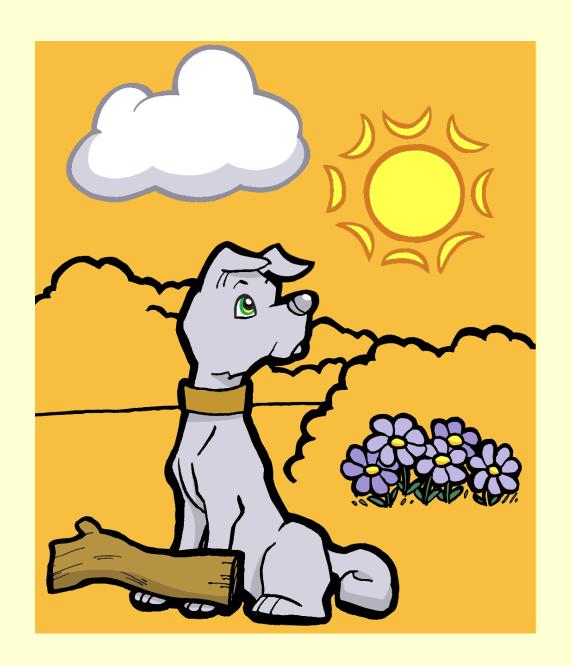
Fleety was a happy mouse;

He lived in a great big house.

Every day he would scurry around

Checking things out and hearing new sounds.





One day, from his window, he saw a big dog

In the garden, sniffing an old fallen log.

When his master called him away,

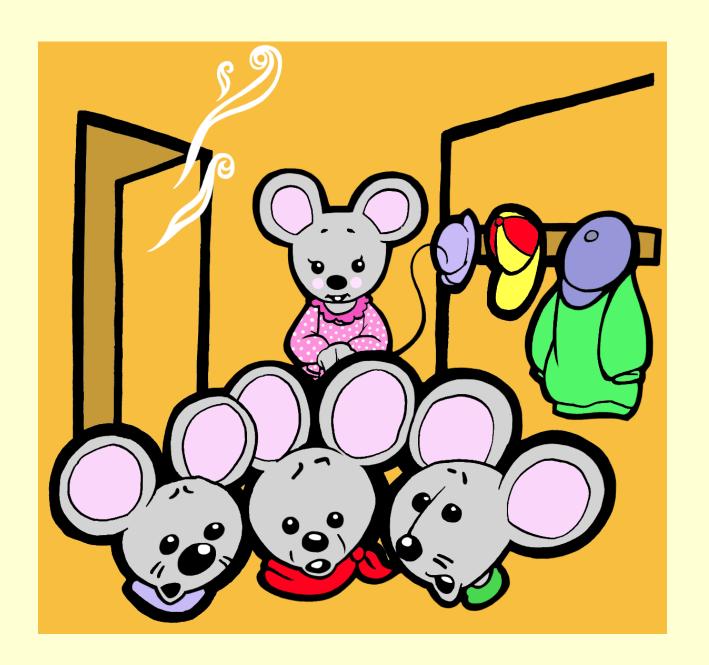
Fleety saw the dog was quick to obey.

That evening, Fleety and his brother Topsy

Were playing with their new friend, Flopsy.

Then Mama Mousy called to them and said,

"It's time to come in and get ready for bed."





Fleety remembered the dog that obeyed,

And so his sticks on the ground he laid.

"Yes, ma'am," he said and went on in.

His mom was happy, and gave him a grin.

But Topsy, his brother, was not so fast;

He stopped to dawdle and was the last.

He did not heed what Mama Mousy said.

Topsy cried: "I don't want to go to bed!"





Mama Mousy had made a yummy corn pie

For the little mice who obeyed and didn't cry.

But Topsy decided he wanted to pout.

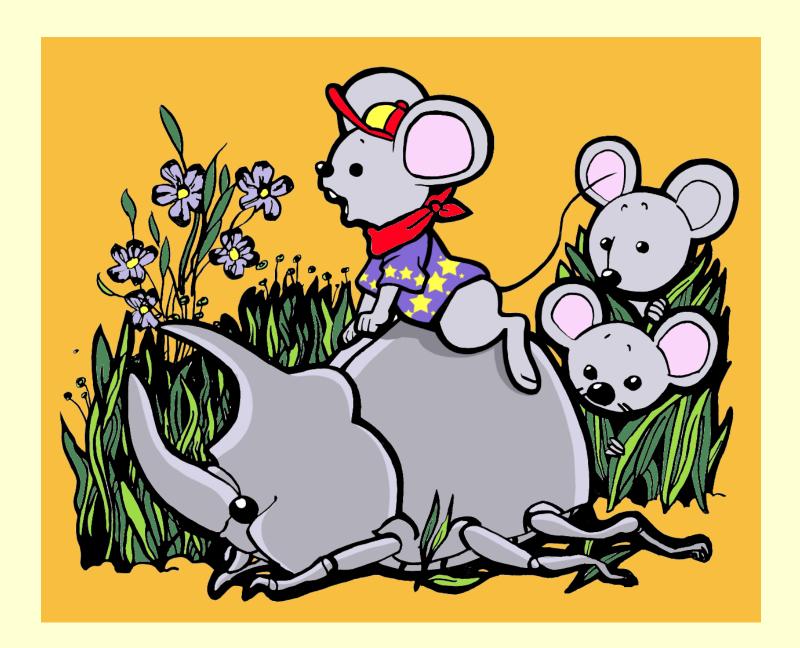
The others had pie, but he was left out.

So here's the lesson: When you do it now,

Things will work out for the best somehow.

When Fleety was swift to listen and obey,

Extra happy times he enjoyed every day.





Though it was hard to follow, Fleety always thought

That when he chose to obey, Mama smiled a whole lot.

Like Fleety, you can make your parents happy too,

By listening and obeying what they ask of you.