

## The Two Mice

A country mouse invited a city mouse to his house. The two mice had a great time. They climbed trees and took long hikes. This made them very hungry. So they went into the farm and looked for some corn. The city mouse wrinkled up his nose. "The road is so dusty. The food is so boring. In the city, I eat meat, cheese, and pie. Do you want to go there with me?" asked the city mouse. The country mouse licked his lips. "Oh, yes!"

The next day, the two mice jumped on a train and went to the city. They walked to a big building and took an elevator to the top. This was where the city mouse lived. It looked big and fancy. The two mice had a great time. They listened to music, played games and ran from room to room. All of this made them very hungry.

So they went into the dining room. There was a table filled with meat and a whole cherry pie. Just as they began to enjoy the food, out came a cat and a dog! "Run for your life!" said the city mouse. The two mice jumped off the table and ran into a hole. The country mouse had never been so scared. "I'm going back home," he said. "The city is nice, but corn and safety are better than cherry pie and danger."

The two mice hugged and said good-bye. The country mouse jumped on a train and went back to the country.