THE DOG AND HIS REFLECTION

Read this fable, warning us not to be greedy. Afterwards, look at the sentences below and **number** them in the right order.



A dog was very pleased to be given a bone by the butcher. It was a big bone and he hurried home as fast as he could go.

Crossing a bridge over a river, he saw himself reflected in the water. The greedy dog thought he was looking at another real dog - a dog whose bone was even bigger than his! He should have stopped to think.

Instead, he dropped his bone and leapt at the other dog. Of course, he had to swim for his life. He reached the shore and scrambled out, but he had lost his bone. He knew then how stupid he was to have been so greedy.

He reached the shore and scrambled out.
A dog was very pleased to have been given a bone.
He should have stopped to think.
He had lost his bone.
He saw himself reflected in the water.

THE LION AND THE MOUSE

Here is a well-known fable. After you've read it, **number the events** below in the order in which they happened in the story.



A mighty lion was sleeping in the forest, when a tiny mouse ran across his nose. Angry at being wakened up, the lion placed his heavy paw on the mouse's tail. He was ready to kill her.

"Set me free," begged the poor mouse. "One day I'll repay you."

The lion thought this was very funny. How could a mouse ever

help him? But he was generous and let her go.

Some days later, the lion was caught in a hunter's net. His roar filled the forest. The mouse heard the noise and quickly found the lion struggling in the net. So she gnawed at one of the ropes that held him. Soon, he was free.

"See," said the mouse, "how even a tiny mouse can help a lion.

One good turn deserves another, and kindness is never wasted."

The mouse gnawed one of the ropes.
The lion placed his heavy paw on the mouse's tail.
The lion was caught in the hunter's net.
A mighty lion was sleeping in the forest.
"Set me free," begged the poor mouse.

YOUNG KING ARTHUR

Read how Arthur became king. Then **number the boxes** in the order in which things happened.

The old king died. Who should be the new king? Many people argued. No one could agree.

Then a magic stone appeared in St Paul's churchyard in London. An enormous sword was sticking in it. A message on the sword said that whoever pulled the sword from the stone was the true King of Britain.

Many strong men tried to pull the sword out, but it was stuck fast in the stone by some strange magic power. Still, no one could agree who to have as king.

When Arthur was fifteen years old, he went to London with his family. It was time for his older brother, Kay, to learn to be a knight.

Arthur was in trouble. He had forgotten to bring Kay's sword. When he went to look for one, he found the sword in the stone. He didn't know that many other men had tried to remove it. He pulled it out easily.

No one believed that Arthur had done it – not at first. So he repeated what he had done. Everyone was amazed. They had a new king: King Arthur!



Now put the events in the right order. Number the boxes.

