How Steady Effort Helps You Finish

Story lesson



Fast and Slow

On a sunny forest path, a tall wolf laughed at a tiny tortoise. “You are much too slow to race me!” he boasted. The tortoise looked up calmly. He was slow—but he was ready to begin.





The Race Begins

Off went the wolf—zoom! He dashed far along the path. The tortoise placed one foot forward, then another. He was far behind, but he kept going.

The Wolf Stops

The wolf looked back and saw no tortoise. “I have plenty of time,” he thought. Sure he had already won, he curled beneath a tree and fell fast asleep. The quiet path beside him stayed open.





Step After Step

Step by step, the tortoise came along. He passed the sleeping wolf without stopping. Slow steps kept carrying him forward. You can try steady steps too: with a grown-up, choose a soft toy as a finish marker, walk across a clear floor, and count each step together.

TALK ABOUT IT

Tap the animal that keeps moving.

Steady Steps Finish

At last, the tortoise reached the finish first. He smiled proudly beside the flag. Far behind, the wolf woke and saw what had happened. The tortoise had not hurried, and he had not given up. His slow, steady steps carried him all the way.



Check your wonder

1 **Why did the tortoise reach the finish first?**

- **A.** He kept moving steadily
- **B.** He stopped for a nap
- **C.** He ran faster than the wolf

2 **What made the wolf lose his lead?**

- **A.** He stopped and slept
- **B.** He walked steadily
- **C.** He started behind

ANSWERS 1-A 2-A

1. That's right—he kept going step by step. 2. Yes. While the wolf slept, the tortoise kept moving.

THE END

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