Mouse Goes to Town

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Country Mouse lived in a hole in a field.

He ate beans and plain bread. One day his cousin came.

It was Town Mouse. "Is this all you eat?" he said.

"Come to town with me!" said Town Mouse.

So they went to town. It was dark when they got there.

Town Mouse took him to a big house.

On a table sat cake, cheese, and jam.

Country Mouse had a bite of cake. "So good!" he said.

Then a door went creak. In came a big cat!

"Run!" said Town Mouse. They ran into a hole in the wall.

They sat still till the cat left. Thump, thump, went their hearts.

They went back to the cake. Then dogs came in, barking!

The mice ran to the hole once more.

Country Mouse shook from nose to tail.

"Good-bye," he said. "Keep your cake. I am going home."

He went back to his hole in the field.

He ate his beans, and he slept well.