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Language Arts Test

Listening Selection

Grade

3

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Listening Selection***A Fine Day for a Walk***

by Nancy Van Laan

Moose sniffed the air. It was a blue-sky day. A sunshiny day. A fine day for a walk. Maybe Beaver would like to walk, too.

Moose walked up the hill and down the hill. Moose walked to the pond to see Beaver.

“Hello, Beaver,” said Moose. “It is a blue-sky day. A sunshiny day. A fine day for a walk.”

“It is also a good day to swim,” said Beaver.

“You are right,” said Moose. “But my legs say it is time for a nice long walk.”

“Ask Mouse,” said Beaver. “Maybe Mouse will walk with you.”

“Good idea,” said Moose. “I will go ask Mouse.”

Moose walked up the hill and down the hill. Up and down another hill. Moose walked across the meadow to see Mouse.

“Hello, Mouse,” said Moose. “It is a blue-sky day. A sunshiny day. A fine day for a walk.”

“Yes,” said Mouse. “It is also a good day to clean.”

“You are right,” said Moose. “But my legs say it is time for a nice long walk.”

“Ask Rabbit,” said Mouse. “Maybe Rabbit will walk with you.”

“Good idea,” said Moose. “I will go ask Rabbit.”

Moose walked up the hill and down the hill. Up the hill and down the hill. Up and down another hill. Moose walked across the corn field to see Rabbit.

“Hello, Rabbit,” said Moose. “It is a blue-sky day. A sunshiny day. A fine day for a walk.”

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“Yes,” said Rabbit. “It is also a good day to dig.”

“You are right,” said Moose. “But my legs say it is time for a nice long walk.”

“Ask Squirrel,” said Rabbit. “Maybe Squirrel will walk with you.”

“Good idea,” said Moose. “I will go ask Squirrel.”

Moose walked up the hill and down the hill. Up the hill. Down the hill. Up. Down. Up and down another hill. Moose walked through the woods to see Squirrel.

“Hello, Squirrel,” said Moose. “It is a blue-sky day. A sunshiny day. A fine day for a walk.”

“Yes,” said Squirrel. “It is also a good day to climb.”

“You are right,” said Moose. “But my legs say it is time for a nice long walk.”

“Ask Beaver,” said Squirrel. “Maybe Beaver will walk with you.”

“Hmmm . . .” said Moose. “Beaver has had time to swim. Maybe he is ready to walk now.”

Moose walked up the hill and down the hill. Up the hill. Down the hill. Up. Down. Up. Down. Moose walked back to the pond to see Beaver.

“Hello, Moose,” said Beaver. “I am ready to go for a walk with you.”

“Hmmm . . .” said Moose. “My legs are telling me something.”

“What are they telling you?” asked Beaver.

“To take a nice long rest!” said Moose.

And that is just what Moose did.

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