Think About It!

Close-Reading Questions: Read the play *The Tortoise and the Hare* in the March/April 2017 issue of *Storyworks Jr*. Then go back and reread sections of the play to answer the questions below.

1. In Scene 1, what can you guess Aesop’s story will be about? How did you make your guess?

2. In Scene 2, why does Porcupine suggest that Hare run backward for the whole race?
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3. Reread the last five lines of Scene 3. What do you learn about Tortoise?

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4. What does Hare do in Scene 4? Why does he do this?

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5. How do the other animals explain how Tortoise won the race?

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Critical-Thinking Question (a big question about the whole story):

6. How does Tortoise win the race? What does this tell you about the moral of the fable?