

## (1) A Scare for Bear

"Help! There is something behind us," said Wolf. "What sort of something?" asked Bear. "Something dark and scary. Run as fast as you can," said Wolf. They ran and ran. "Is the scary thing still there?" asked Bear. "Yes. It is running, too. Run as fast as you can," said Wolf. Bear and Wolf went along a log. "Is the scary thing still there?" said Bear. "Yes. It's coming along the log. Run as fast as you can," said Wolf. They went over the rocks. "Is the scary thing still there?" asked Bear. "Yes. It's coming over the rocks. Run as fast as you can." said Wolf. They ran up a tree. "Is the scary thing still there?" asked Bear. "Yes. It's on the ground waiting for us. What will we do?" said Wolf. "I will scare it away. Show me where it is," said Bear. "It is right down there. Look!" said Wolf. Bear looked at the scary thing. Then he laughed and laughed. "You are a silly wolf. That is your shadow," said Bear.

## (2) Little Pea

This is the story of Little Pea, Mama Pea, and Papa Pea. Little Pea was a happy little guy. He liked to do a lot of things. He liked rolling down hills and he liked hanging out with his family. At bed time Little Pea liked snuggling and hearing stories with Mama Pea. But there was one thing that Little Pea did not like. He didn't like candy. They ate candy for dinner every night. Monday: Red Candy. Tuesday: Orange Candy. Wednesday: Yellow Candy. Thursday: Purple and pink polka-dotted Candy. Friday: Striped Candy. Saturday: Swirly Candy. Sunday: Rainbow Candy. Little Pea hated all of it. "If you want to grow up to be a big, strong pea, you have to eat your candy," Papa Pea would say. "If you finish your five pieces of candy then you can have dessert," Momma Pea said. "Five pieces?" he asked. "Five pieces," they answered. "One. Yuck." "Two. Yuck." "Three, four....." "Five pieces of candy! Now can I have dessert?" "Yes! Now you can have dessert," said Mama Pea and

Papa Pea. Little Pea couldn't wait to see what it was. "Spinach!" shouts Little Pea. "My favorite!"

Little Pea licked his dessert plate clean. And they lived hap-pea-ly ever after.

### **(3) *The Fox and the Goat***

A fox one day fell into a deep well and could find no way out. A thirsty goat, came to the same well, and seeing the fox, asked if the water was good.

"It's wonderful," shouted the fox from the bottom of the well. "Come on down." The goat, thinking only of his thirst, jumped down. But just as he drank, he realized he was trapped! The fox had an idea. "If," said he, "you will place your forefeet upon the wall and bend your head, I will run up your back and escape, and will help you out afterwards." The goat agreed and the fox leaped upon his back. Steadying himself with the goat's horns, he safely reached the top of the well and ran off as fast as he could.

"What about me?" shouted the goat from the bottom of the well. The fox was long gone, and the goat was very wet.