

Read.



Lesson 52

start



Read this silently and then out loud.



LITTLE GUSTAVA

Once there was a little girl.

Her name was Gustava.

One day she heard a little bird.

It sang and sang and sang.

“Oh, spring has come!” said Gustava.

“Mother, do you hear the bird?

I am so happy! I love the spring.”

Her mother gave her some bread and milk.

She sat in the warm sun to eat it.

Read.



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Little Gray Kitten saw her there.

She ran to Gustava.

“Mew, mew,” said the kitten.

“What have you to eat?”

“I have bread and milk,” said Gustava.

“Will you have some?”

I will give you some of my good milk.”

“Mew, mew,” said Gray Kitten.

“It is good. Give me some more.”

“Oh, I am so happy,” said Gustava.

“Spring is here, Gray Kitten.”

“I like spring, too,” said Gray Kitten.

Read.

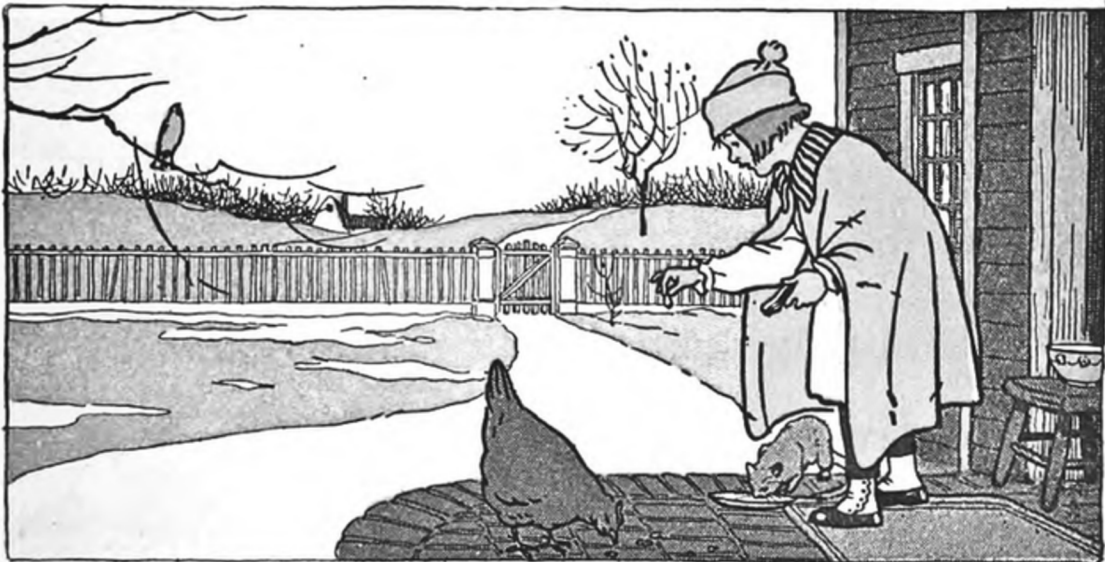


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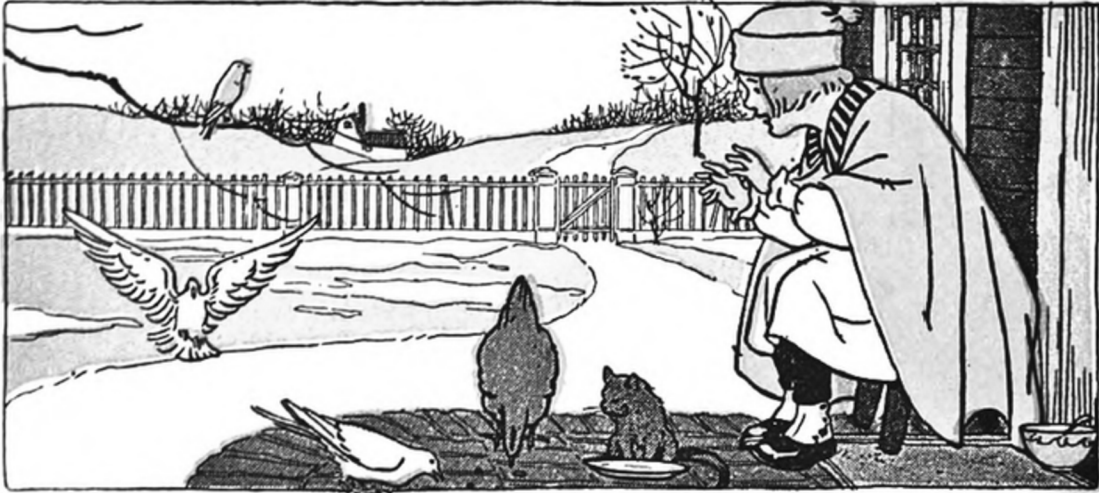
Read this silently and then out loud.

Soon little Brown Hen came by.
“Good day, Brown Hen,” said Gustava.
“I am glad to see you.
Here is some bread for you.
Eat all you want.
Spring is here, Brown Hen.
Are you not glad?
I am so glad that winter is over.
Do take some more bread.”
“Cluck, cluck,” said little Brown Hen.
“Spring makes me happy, too.”





Read this silently and then out loud.



“Coo, coo, coo, coo,” said the doves.

“Oh, I hear my white doves,” said Gustava.

They flew down to her.

“I am so glad to see you,” she said.

“How pretty your white wings are!

Winter is over, White Doves.

Now you can find food.

But I will give you some bread today.”

She threw them some bread.

“Oh, spring has come,” said Gustava.

“We are all so happy.”

“We like spring, too,” said the doves.

Read.



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Soon her little dog came by.

“Bow-wow, bow-wow,” he said.

“Don’t you want me, too?”

“Oh, yes, Little Dog,” said Gustava.

“You must have some food, too.

Spring is here, Little Dog.

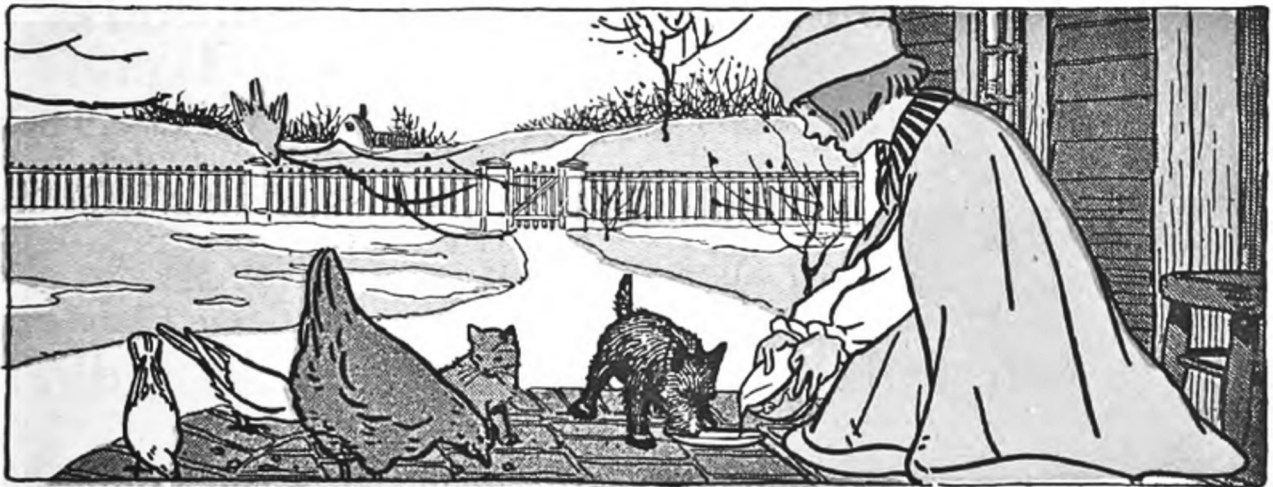
We are so glad that winter is over.

Take some of this milk.

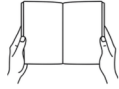
I have not had any yet but take all you want.

I will put it on the floor for you.

I like to see you eat.”



Read.



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Read this silently and then out loud.



Then Gustava sat down on the floor.
Little Dog, Gray Kitten, Brown Hen,
and the White Doves sat around her.
Just then her mother came out.
“Oh, Gustava!” she said.
“You have no dinner.
I will get you some more bread and milk.”
“I gave it all away,” said Gustava.
“Spring made me so happy.”

Discuss.



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Teacher instructions: Discuss the illustration and the passage with your learner.



What do you see in the illustration?

Why was Little Gustava so excited?

What did Little Gustava do for the animals?

What animals visited Little Gustava?

Write.



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Copy the passage.

Just then her mother came out.

“Oh, Gustava!” she said.

“You have no dinner. I will get you
some more bread and milk.”

Handwriting practice lines consisting of solid top and bottom lines with a dashed middle line, repeated eight times.

Write.



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end



Use the illustration as inspiration to write a sentence.