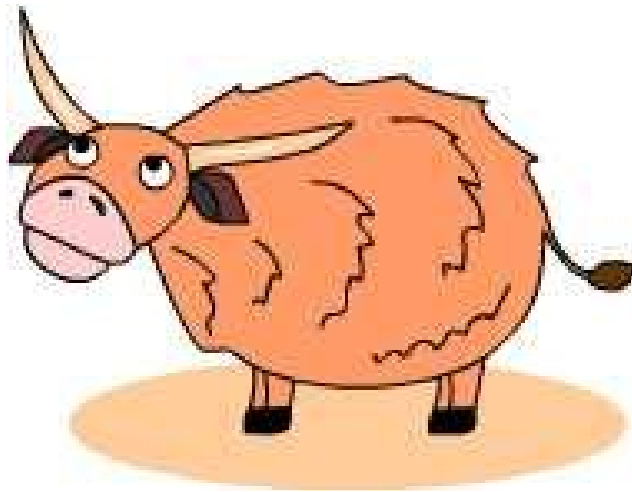


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Once upon a time...
There was an Itty Bitty Yak
The Itty Bitty Yak was so small
He could play soccer
With a golfing ball!

The Itty Bitty Yak
Had lots of hair on his back.
It wasn't because he was old!
It was to protect him
From the cold!

It was very cold
Where he stayed.
So lots of winter games
With the others he played.

They would run and jump
In the very deep snow.
Or they would huddle together
When the wind would blow.

In a huddle
They would tell
Stories about the old days,
While the heavy snow fell.

History was important to them,
Since they could not read or write.
Sometimes they would talk
Way into the night!



Itty Bitty Yak
Would listen really well
To what the Old Yaks said.
They had wise things to tell!

About how to live
In good times and bad,
And how to change to happy
When you are rather sad.

The Itty Bitty Yak
Felt his eyes get wide
When an older yak
Pulled him aside!

The older yak
Said to him,
“Even though you are tiny
“You don’t act
“Hurt and whiny!”

“We like that
“About Itty Bitty You.
“We are glad
“You listen, too!”

“Even though
“We don’t know it all,
“We’ve seen and heard a lot.
“We know what to do, and what NOT!

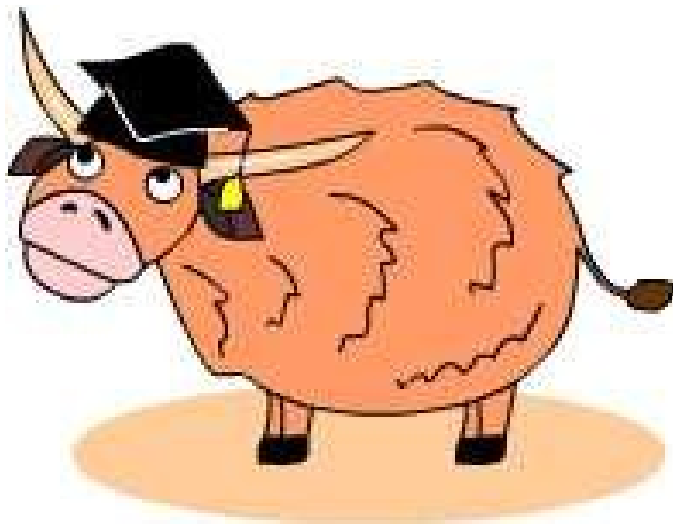
“Now, Itty Bitty Yak,
“It’s up to you
“To help the others
“Make it through.”



“You’ve learned from us,
“For that you are wise.
“You are very smart
“For your Itty Bitty Size!”

The Itty Bitty Yak
Followed the Old Ones’ advice.
Because of that,
All the yaks’ lives were nice!

And he lived happily ever after...



LESSON PLAN

What was the weather like where the Itty Bitty Yak lived?

How did the yaks protect themselves from the cold?

What did the yaks talk about when they huddled from the cold?

Why did the older yak like the Itty Bitty Yak?

What smart thing has an older person taught you?

What are some of the rhyming words in the story?