

# The Terrible Trip Up!

A few days before Sports Day, the fox team were telling everyone how brilliant they were at all the races.

“We’ll win the trophy because we’re so good!” said one of the foxes. All the animals were really looking forward to Sports Day but the rabbits were feeling a bit worried. They knew they weren’t the fastest, the smartest or the best at anything they knew of. The cheetahs were extremely fast and zoomed off down the freshly-painted track.

“We’ll win the trophy because we’re so fast,” said one of the cheetahs. The rabbits, foxes and zebras practised different activities and the koala team got ready for a nice, long nap.

“We’ll win the trophy because we’re so...” started one of the koalas then she fell asleep again.



Soon enough, the day had arrived and the rabbits wanted to have fun and try their best. The zebras did well at the egg and spoon race.

“We’ll win the trophy because we’re so clever,” said one of the zebras. Then, it was the running race and the cheetahs took the lead. Next up, was the three-legged race!



All the animals lined up at the start in their pairs with one of their legs tied to their partner. Suddenly, the whistle blew and they were off, apart from the koalas who fell asleep at the starting line! The cheetahs roared ahead very

fast but then they were out of breath and had to stop. Then, the foxes took the lead but were pulling in different directions and tripped over. The zebras argued about how to stop the others and landed on top of the foxes in a great big heap. The rabbits just kept on going. They carefully moved together, counting and helping each other stay up, all the way to the finish line.



“They won the trophy because they’re good at teamwork!” cheered all the animals.



# Questions

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