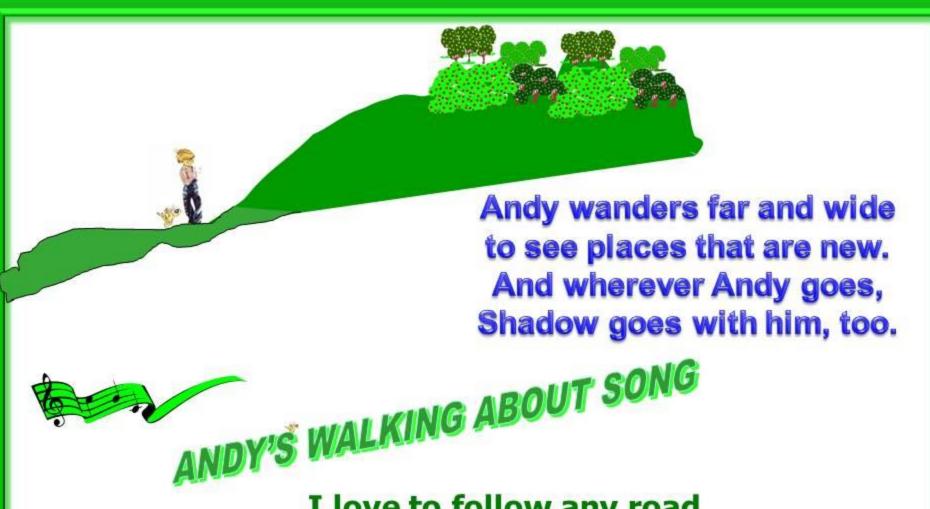
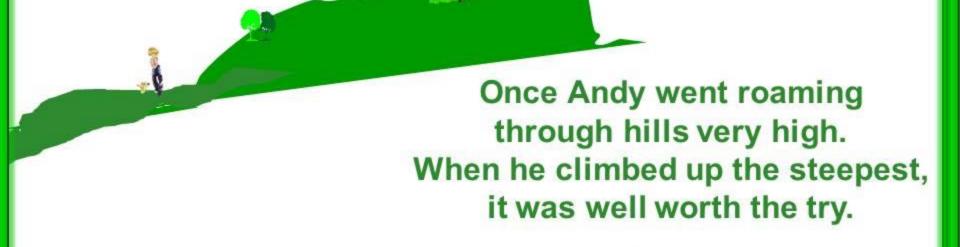




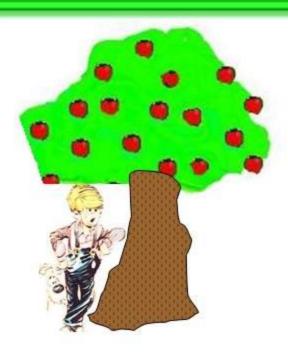
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I love to follow any road to see what I can find Villages in valleys, orchards up on hills. And people of every kind.

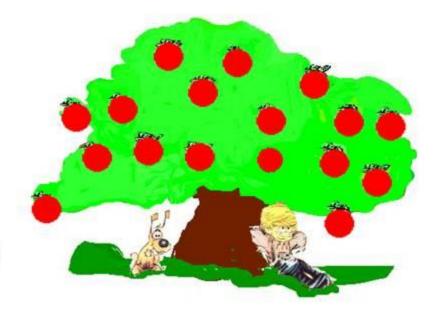


The hilltop was covered with an orchard, you see, with apples, pears, peaches and sweet cherry trees.



Now Andy was weary from such a long climb. So he decided to rest in the shade for a time.

He sat down beneath the big apple trees full of juicy red apples big as elephant's knees.





"If I knew who owned those delicious red apples, I'd certainly ask to taste just a sample."

THE APPLE TREE SONG

Apples juicy, crisp and sweet!
Apples the all-time healthy treat!
Apple pancakes, apple sauce,
Apple dumplings, apple pie,
Apple cider, apple crisp.... My, oh my!
We apple trees are glorious!
There really should be more of us!



"I own them," rumbled a voice so deep that Shadow jumped back. Andy sprang to his feet.





Andy had to look up to see the man's face.
An enormous strong giant owned the fruit in this place.



His hair was bright red.
His eyes were bright blue.
His hands were like shovels.
His feet were huge, too.

HUGE HUGH'S SONG

It's not that I'm so very tall!
It's just that all of you are small!
You say my hands are simply monstrous?
Your tiny little hands are just preposterous!
And don't you call my feet immense!
You'd grow yours bigger
if you had any sense!



"Hello, there!
I'm Andy.
I was wondering if
I might have
an apple
for a coin or a gift."



The giant quit scowling and smiled at the boy.
"Hello there," he rumbled.
"I'm Huge Hugh McCoy.

I see by your manners you're not from the town.

If you were, you'd have gobbled all kinds of fruit down."

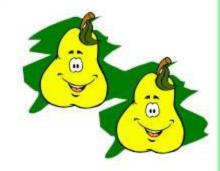


"With people who ask I am happy to share. Have an apple and then try my pears over there."



THE PEAR TREE SONG

There's nothing so fair as a bright golden pear ripening in the sun! We're juicy, delicious, so fresh and nutritious! A treat for everyone!





Andy ate a fine pear and a juicy ripe peach.
Huge Hugh picked him cherries that hung out of reach.



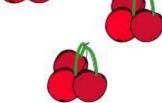
Cherries on top of ice cream,
Cherries jubilee in flame,
Cherry jam spread on your bread,
or eat our cherries plain.
We cherry trees are wonderful!

Come eat a tummyfull!













"The fruit was delicious.

I thank you, Huge Hugh.

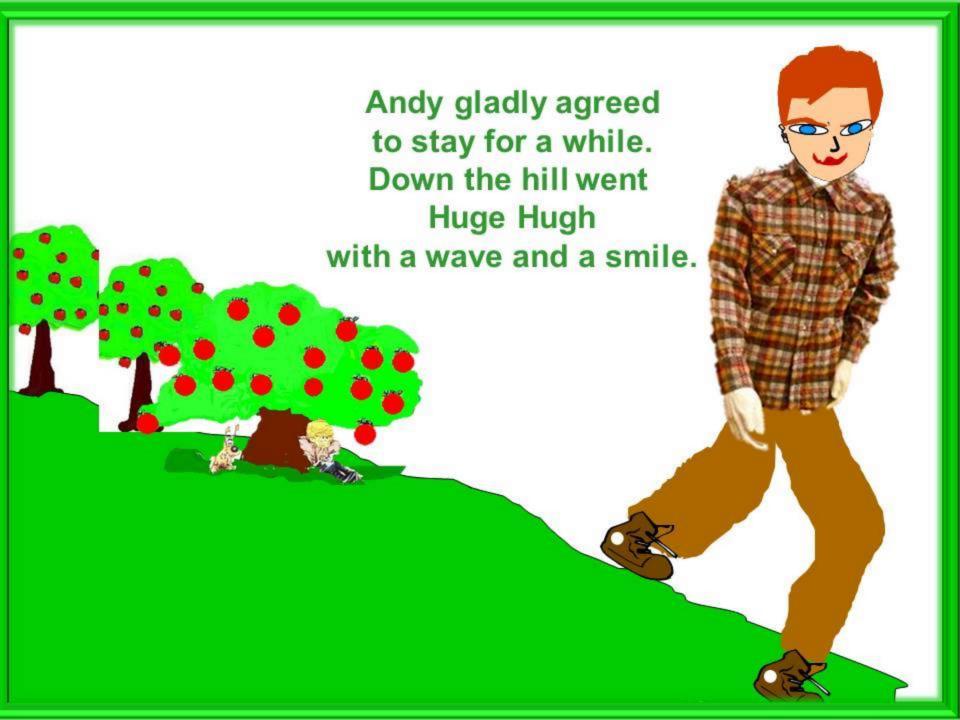
Now I wish you would say what I might do for you."



"There is one small favor if you're not in a hurry. Watch over my trees so I don't have to worry while I visit my sister, Mrs. Hilda McFurry."









"I wonder," said Andy as he sat under a tree,
"why Huge Hugh says the villagers have no manners like me."

Then Shadow ran off with a bark and a growl. From one of the trees came the hoot of an owl.







Andy quit singing a song to himself when he saw an old man the size of an elf.





The old man had climbed up into a tree and was picking off pears.

First one, and then three.



So Andy cried, "Hey! The giant's away!"

The old man replied, "I was hoping he'd died.



I'm picking some pears.
I'm sure you don't mind.
You're not like the giant!
You've a face that is kind."

"I suppose," agreed Andy,

"one nice pear won't be missed."

"Good!" said the old man
and grabbed ten in his fist.



"I say there!" called Andy.

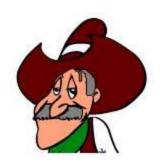
"Ten pears isn't one!"

"Oh, please, sir, they're all for my little grandson.



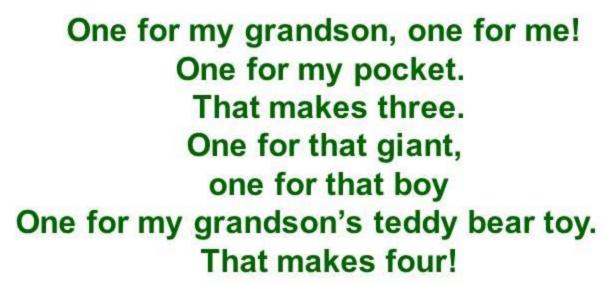


He's sick and needs fruit, the poor little fellow. You're too nice to deny him pears juicy and yellow."













"All right, then," said Andy, "but I think ten is plenty."

The man ran off laughing. "I really have twenty!"



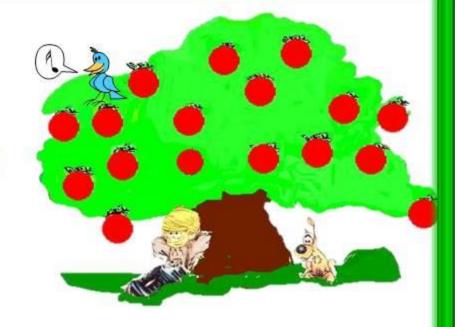
DON'T BE FOOLED





Don't be fooled by a phony smile! You get that from a crocodile!

Andy sighed and sat down and went on with his song. Soon he saw a small woman who brought two baskets along.





"I'm Bessy," she cried. "I need a few cherries."

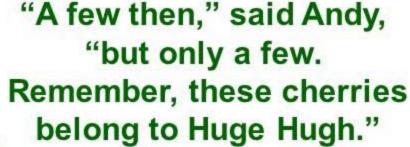
"I'm sorry," said Andy.

"How about some nice berries?"













"I knew," said small Bessy,
"I had only to ask it."
Then quick as a wink
Bessy filled both her baskets.



BESSY'S CHERRY-PICKING SONG



Poor little me, I'm so very small! Poor little me, I deserve it all. That mean old giant never gives me enough But now there's a dumb bunny

boy I can bluff!

DON'T BE FOOLED





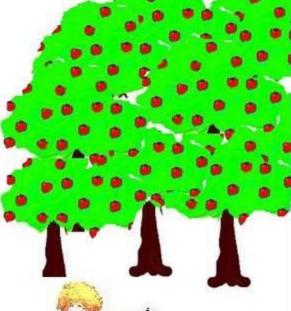
Don't be fooled by sugar-y words! Sugar-y words are for the birds! Then two tiny boys with round little faces both smiled up at Andy and tugged his shoelaces.







"We came for some apples.
We need them for school.
Not many. Just samples.
Come on, man, be cool!"













"I can't give you samples from trees that aren't mine. I can't give away apples. I must draw the line."





"Who cares?" laughed the boys.

"The giant's away.

We'll take what we want
and we won't have to pay."







THE TINY BOYS'

Apple butter for bread,
apple cookies to eat,
Caramel apples on sticks,
applesauce so sweet!
When we're stealing apples
we want a lot.....
Just as long as we
don't get caught!



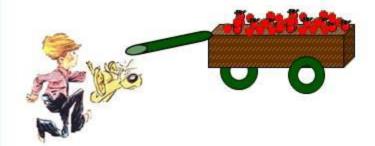




Don't be fooled by compliments!

Even a bunny has more sense!

The boys took an armload of apples that day and came back for more with a wagon for hay.



The little old man brought a donkey to carry a big load of pears.

Bessy took lots more cherries.





A couple of hikers
ate peach
after peach.
When poor Andy
objected,
they stayed
out of reach.





THE WILLAGERS' SONG



And a ho and a hi and a tee-hee!
Very soon, very soon it will all be free!



The two little boys and the little old man and Bessy and the hikers all together began to point fingers at Andy and cry very loud. "He told us we could," yelled the whole crowd.



DON'T BLAME ME!

Don't blame me! I'm a little old man, getting along the best that I can!



Don't blame me! Gracious! I'd never steal!
Blame your new friend 'cause he made the deal



Don't blame us! That boy said O. K.! It's all his fault! You should make him pay!





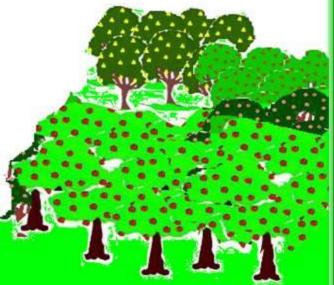


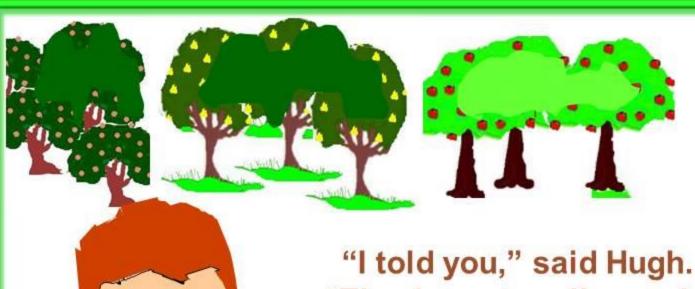
Then they ran down the hill and left Andy alone to explain to Huge Hugh the fruit they had stolen.



"I'm so sorry, Huge Hugh,"
said poor Andy,
dismayed.
"I thought they looked
pleasant.
I feel so betrayed."







"I told you," said Hugh.

"They're not really needy.

They have very bad manners,
and they're all very greedy."

Sadly Andy called Shadow and they went on their way. But our Andy had learned a good lesson that day.





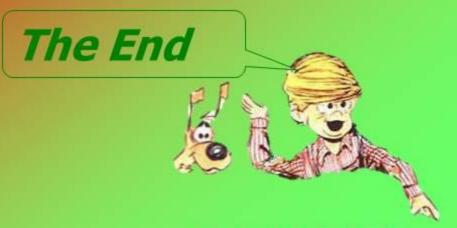
SHADOW'S TROTTING ALONG SONG



I love to go where Andy goes!

We make a jolly pair.

And if Andy finds he needs a friend, he knows that I'm always there.



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