



JOHNNY-CAKE



Read the story below.

Once upon a time there was an old man, and an old woman, and a little boy. One morning the woman made a Johnny-cake, and put it in the oven to bake. "You watch the Johnny-cake while your father and I go out to work." But the little boy didn't watch it and all of a sudden the oven door popped open, and out of the oven jumped Johnny-cake. He went rolling, and out into the road. The little boy ran after him and crying out to his father and mother, but Johnny-cake outran all three. On ran Johnny-cake, and he came to two ditch-diggers, but he soon outstripped them also. On went he came to a bear but he never stopped. Then he came to a wolf. The wolf set into a gallop after him but no hope of overtaking him. On went he came to a fox. The fox said: "I can't quite hear you; won't you come a little closer?" Johnny-cake went a little closer, and screamed out: I have outrun an old man, and an old woman, and a little boy, and two ditch-diggers, and a bear, and a wolf, and I can outrun you too-o-o!" "You can, can you?" yelped the fox, and he snapped up the Johnny-cake in his sharp teeth in the twinkling of an eye.

Answer each question.

1. What did the old woman ask the little boy?

2. What did happen when the little boy didn't watch it?

3. How many people and animals came in Johnny-cake's way?

4. How did the fox eat Johnny-cake?

5. If you will come across the Johnny-cake what will you do?
