

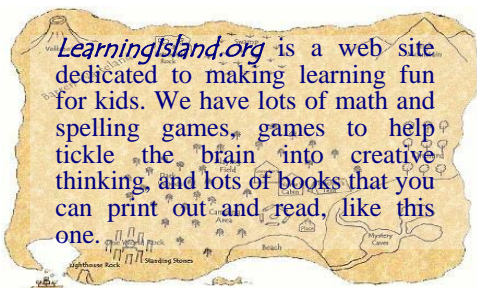


Did you ever go to a zoo where there was a bear in a cage?

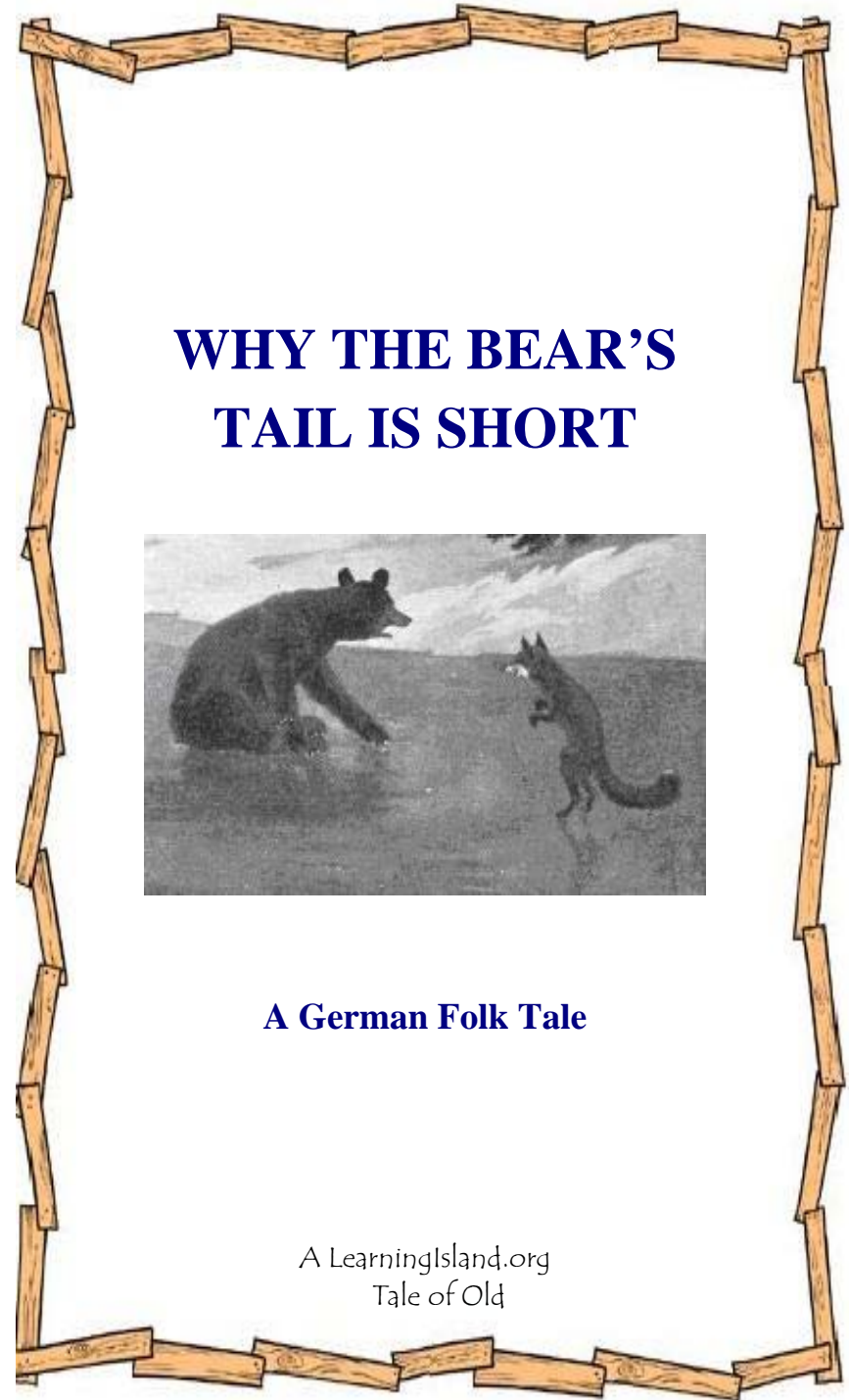
Did you see how short his tail was? I will tell you how the bear's tail came to be short.

It wasn't always short. Long, long ago bears used to have very long tails. They were even longer than a fox's tail.

*Read the story of how the bear got a short tail.*



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## WHY THE BEAR'S TAIL IS SHORT



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