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The following suggestions can easily fill several lessons for this story if you want your students to get enough speaking time and feedback from at least three classmates.

There are general suggestions for classroom use at the end of this document.

The story is easy for beginners to understand (although advanced learners enjoy it, too). But beginners vary greatly in their speaking and writing skills. So use and adapt these ideas to suit your students.

Before watching: prediction

- *This story starts with an animal. What animal do you think it is?*
 - *No, it isn't a cat. No, not a dog ...*
- *It is a very small animal (use hands to show size).*
- *A long tail (use hands to show tail, use face to suggest a gnawing mouth and twitching nose – someone will probably suggest MOUSE in one language or another).*
- *Yes, it is a mouse!*

Watch the video [Frightened Mouse](#)