

## 2. Two Friends and the Bear

*(Two friends.....travel together..... promise to help in danger..... through a forest.....see a bear.....one climbs up a tree.....the other does not know how to climb .....thinks a plan..... lies down on the ground.....holds breath.....bear smells him..... takes him for dead.....leaves..... friend comes down..... asks what did bear say....don't rely on false friends....feels ashamed.)*



**Ans.** Once there lived two friends in a village. One day they travelled together through a forest. They promised to help in danger. They saw a bear coming towards them. They were frightened. One of them climbed up a tree. The other one did not know how to climb a tree. He knew the danger. He thought of a plan. He lay down on the ground. He held his breath. The bear smelt him. It took him to

be dead and left him and went away. The first friend came down and asked what the bear had told him. The second friend replied, "The bear advised me not to rely on false friends." The first friend felt ashamed.

*Moral* : A friend in need is a friend indeed.