

Ant & Bread Durga Lal Shrestha Binita Buddhacharya



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There's an ant on the road. There's a tiny piece of bread.



Watch as the fearless ant Tugs and yanks her load!



She pulls and pulls, it does not move.



She's not one to give it up!



See how she calls for help Her friends are her only hope!



All the ants join in hand



Push and pull all day long. See how the chariot glides to their song.



Finally they reach the nest



Lay it out for the rest Look as they split the bread And each eat their spread!



About the Author DurgaLal Shrestha is a famous poet of Nepal Bhasa and Nepali. As a teacher of NepalBhasa at KanyaMandir Higher Secondary School in the 1950s to 70s, he created songs to inspire children to express themselves in their mother tongue. His songs became widely known throughout the Kathmandu Valley and collections of his children's songs have been



through over reprints and are still circulated today. About the Illustrator BinitaBuddacharyais a versatile visual artist and illustrator. She recently completed her MFA in Painting from Tribhuvan University. In addition to designing sets and props for theatre, she leads children's workshops. She also plays a leadership position as the Treasurer of Illustrator



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