



Musuku harvested a good crop from her field and stored all of her produce in an open top barn. To cover the produce, Musuku placed a very large pumpkin on top of the barn, and employed a cat to guard it. The pumpkin was bigger than any that had ever been grown in Musuku's village, and attracted a lot of interest, especially from the thieving monkey. Do you think the cat will be able to protect Musuku's pumpkin and produce?



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