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Notes

Paul Bunyan and the Troublesome Mosquitoes

- 1 Right from the start, Paul Bunyan was a giant of a human being. As a baby, he was so enormous that he had to sleep in a lumber wagon instead of a crib. Young Paul might've been dangerous, if he hadn't been kind to the core.
- 2 Paul grew up to become a famous lumberjack. He was so powerful that he could fell twelve trees in a single stroke. When he built his own lumber camp, it was the biggest one around.
- 3 Remember the summer of the troublesome mosquitoes? Well, those mosquitoes were mean, and they had a painful bite! They were so big that the lumberjacks had to fight them off with their axes.
- 4 However, Paul was a resourceful man. He imported some huge bees to destroy the pesky mosquitoes. Unfortunately, that just made things worse. The fearsome insects intermarried and had children that could sting like a bee and bite as often as a mosquito!
- 5 Their craving for sweets was their downfall. Just when the lumberjacks feared that the mosquitoes were invincible, a ship came up the river, bringing sugar to the lumber camp. The greedy insects swarmed the decks and ate so much sugar that they couldn't fly. They plummeted into the river and drowned. That evening, the grateful lumberjacks celebrated by cooking Paul's favorite dinner of flapjacks and scrambled eggs.