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“What are you doing, bear?” grunted the pig, loudly.
The bear noticed them and said, “Every winter when I am supposed to be asleep I lie awake shivering. But this winter will be different. Look at this piece of paper.”
The animals crowded round the paper and the bear told them that it was a plan for a winter house.
“I am building it with good strong logs and branches, and moss to keep out the wind,” he said. “And if you help me you can share my winter house.”

The other animals all laughed at this and said that the bear was silly. But the bear took no notice of them and began to fill up the cracks with moss.
“We shall see who sleeps well when winter comes,” he said.



The days passed and winter came.
The wind howled, but the bear did not mind.
He lay in his cosy little winter house on a
bed of nice soft moss.