

# 15 SHORT STORIES

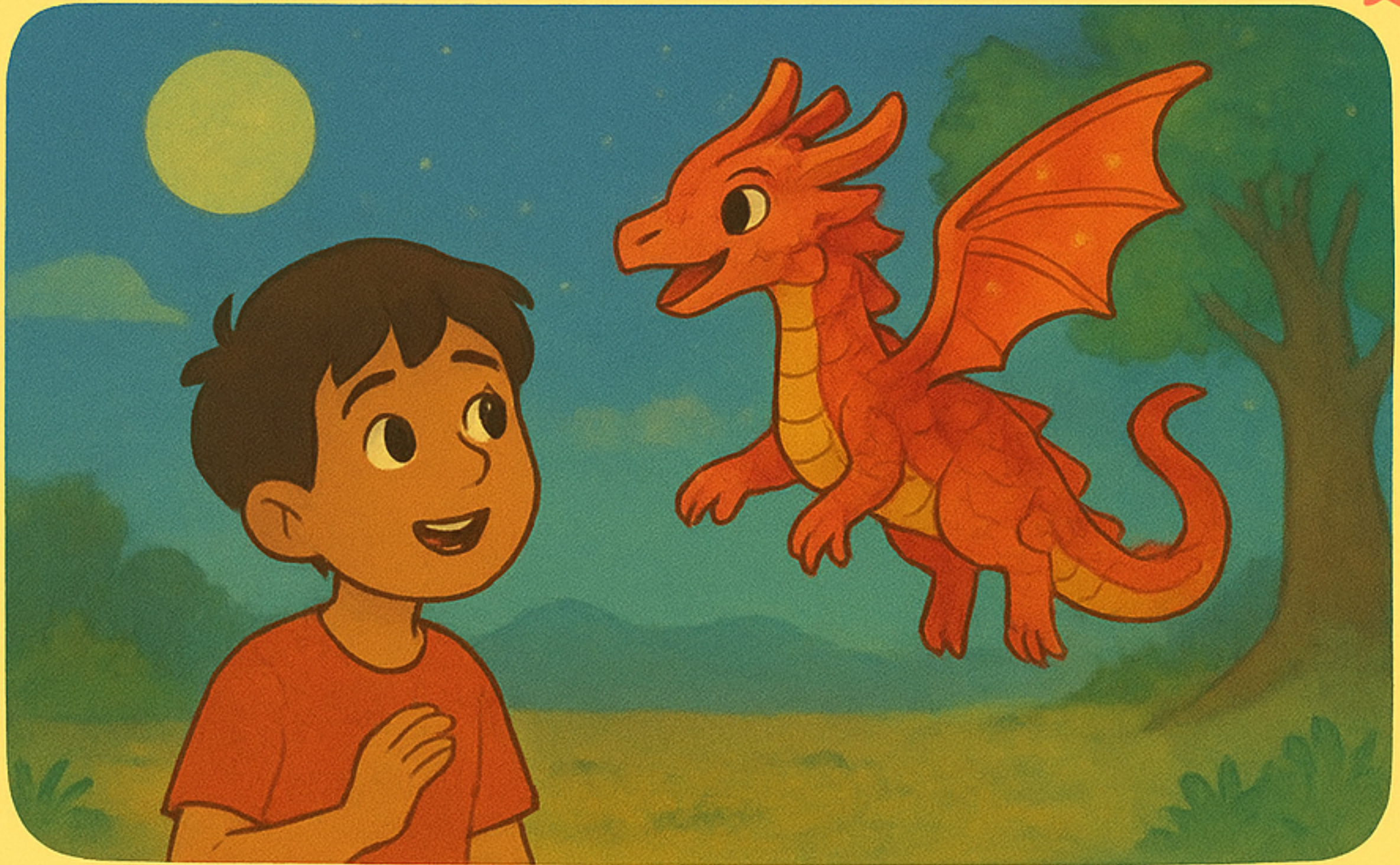
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# Magical Story #5

## The Paper Dragon



In the middle of a dry desert stood a lonely tree. Everyone thought it was just an ordinary tree. But at night, it whispered to the stars.

A young girl named Amina, wandering lost, heard it speak. "Drink from my roots," the tree said gently.

She dug carefully and found a pool of glowing water, The water healed her tired feet and gave her strength.

The tree told her, "Plant my seeds wherever you go."

Amina carried the seeds in a small pouch.

Wherever she planted one, a green sprout grew overnight.

Soon, the desert began to bloom with flowers.

Travelers rested under the shade of new trees.

Birds returned, and rivers began to flow again.

The whispering tree grew taller and brighter each year.

Amina became transform her songs of joy.



# Magical Story #4

## The Whispering Tree



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# Magical Story #3

## The Clockmaker's Secret



In a quiet town, an old clockmaker named Idris worked late at night. No one knew his clocks ticked with real magic. One evening, a curious boy, Sami, sneaked into the shop. He saw a giant clock with silver stars for hands. Idris appeared and smiled. "This clock can stop time." Sami's eyes widened with wonder. Idris said, "You may stop time only to do good deeds." Sami agreed and turned the silver star hand. Everything around him froze – birds, wind, even raindrops. Sami placed bread near a stray dog and saved a falling baby bird. When time started again, people were amazed by the small miracles. Idris told Sami, "Magic is powerful when it's kind. Years passed, and Sami became the new clockmaker. He built clocks that brought warmth and hope. The silver star clock stayed in the shop window. Children often peeked at it, dreaming of adventures.



# Magical Story #2

## The Invisible Bridge



A girl named Hana loved exploring rivers and hills. One misty morning, she found a brokeh wooden bridge. Across the river, she saw a sparkling castle. “If only I could reach it,” she whispered. Suddenly, a silver fish leapt out of the water. “Step where the stars touch the water.” it said. Hana hesitated but noticed tiny twinkling lights on the river. She stepped on the lights, and an invisible bridge formed. With every step, flowers bloomed under her feet. At the castle gate, a fairy queen greeted her. “You’ve found the path of hope,” said the queen. The queen gifted Hana a crystal pendant. “Wear this to find hidden paths in life.” she said. Hana thanked the fairy and returned home. The bridge vanished, leaving only ripples behind. But the pendant glowed whenever Hana felt lost.



# Magical Story #1

## The Golden Feather



Long ago, a poor boy named Arif found a glowing feather in the forest. It shimmered like the sun and hummed softly. He kept it in his pocket, hoping it would bring luck. That night, he heard whispers calling his name. The feather floated up and turned into a golden phoenix. "I can grant you one wish," said the bird. Arif wished for food for his starving village. The phoenix flapped its wings, and baskets of fruits appeared. The villagers cheered and thanked Arif. The phoenix said, "Kindness makes magic grow." Before flying away, it dropped another feather. The feather became a lantern that never stopperd glowing. It gulded the villagers on dark nights. Arif learned that real magic lives in helping others. Every year, the lantern shone brighter.



# Story Reading Worksheet – The Pirate's Hidden Map



## Fill in the blanks

Long ago, on a sunny island, lived a girl named Rosa. Her grandfather was once a famous sailor. One day, she found an old map hidden in his chest. It showed a secret cave marked with a red "X.". Rosa and her friends built a small raft and sailed out. They reached the cave and followed glowing shells inside. Suddenly, they found a chest filled with gold coins and letters.

## Answer the questions

1. Where did Rosa find the map? \_\_\_\_\_
2. What did they find in the cave? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What did Rosa do with the treasure? \_\_\_\_\_



# Story Reading Worksheet – The Boy Who Painted Rome

Long ago, in a marion rom,  
Luca worked as an apprentice  
to a famous artist.

He loves to paint, but  
never wor-his talent. He love't  
to paint a conceén neem  
the contest.

The Emperor announced a  
contest to \_\_\_\_\_

Luca painted the \_\_\_\_\_,  
not the palace.

The Emperor rewarded him with  
\_\_\_\_\_ paintbrushes.



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## Answer the questions

1. Who painted the people of Rome?

- a) A judge      b) An artist      c) A soldier

2. What did the Emperor announce? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Who became Rome's youngest royal artist? \_\_\_\_\_



# Story Reading Worksheet – The Brave Princess of Egypt

Thousands of years ago, Egypt was ruled by a kind king.

His daughter, Princess Nari, loved learning and exploring,

One night, enemies planned to take over the palace. Nari

overheard them while walking near the river Nile. She

quickly told the royal guards and helped them prepare.

When the attack came, she rode her horse to warn the villages.

The people gathered and defended their land bravely.

The enemies were defeated by sunrise.

The king was proud of his brave daughter.

“You saved Egypt, my princess,” he said with ears of joy.

From that day, Nari was known as the “Lioness of the Nile.”



## Fill in the blanks

1. Thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ ago, Egypt was ruled by a \_\_\_\_\_ king.
2. One night, \_\_\_\_\_ planned to take over the palace.

## Answer the questions

1. Who was the princess?  
\_\_\_\_\_

2. How was Nari known?  
\_\_\_\_\_



# STORY READING WORKSHEET – THE LAMP OF ALADDIN



## Fill in the blanks

Aladdin was a \_\_\_\_\_ boy who found a \_\_\_\_\_.  
He rubbed the lamp and a \_\_\_\_\_ appeared. The genie  
granted his wish, and Aladdin lived in a grand \_\_\_\_\_.  
The \_\_\_\_\_ took the lamp to steal it, but Aladdin trapped  
him in a \_\_\_\_\_. Aladdin used his wishes to help  
others and became a \_\_\_\_\_.

## Answer the questions

1. Who found the lamp?
2. What did Aladdin wish for?
3. What did the genie grant?
4. How did the genie help Aladdin?



# Story Reading Worksheet — The Dragon of the Great Wall



## Fill in the blanks

In ancient China, a boy named Jian worked with his father building the Great Wall of China. Every night, he heard \_\_\_\_\_ from the mountains. “It must be \_\_\_\_\_ the mountain dragon,” people whispered. One day, Jian followed the sound and found a small, injured \_\_\_\_\_. He brought it food and water in secret. The dragon healed and promised to guard Jian’s village. When \_\_\_\_\_ attacked, storm clouds gathered. The dragon flew over the Wall and scared them away, Jian became a hero, and the dragon returned to the mountains. Even today, people say they see the dragon’s shadow at sunset.

## Answer the questions

1. What did Jian do with the dragon he found? \_\_\_\_\_
2. How did the dragon help Jian’s village? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What do people say they see at sunset? \_\_\_\_\_



## 2. The Magic Pen

Arjun bought a pen at the market. It looked very ordinary. But when he wrote, the words glowed. The sentences turned into reality. He wrote about a chocolate cake. Suddenly, it appeared! He shared it with his friends. They were amazed. But he promised to use it wisely. The pen made his life magical.





# The Brave Ant

An ant lived in a big colony, One day, heavy rain flooded the ground. All the ants ran for safety, But a little baby ant was stuck. The brave ant rushed back. He carried the baby on his back. The water was rising fast. He didn't give up. Finally, he reached the hill. The colony cheered his bravery.





# The Lost Puppy

Rina found a small puppy outside her house.  
It was shivering in the cold.  
She wrapped it in her scarf.  
The puppy wagged its tail happily.  
Rina gave it warm milk.  
The puppy licked her hand.  
She decided to take it home.  
Her parents agreed.  
Now the puppy had a new family.  
And Rina had a new best friend.





# The Brave Little Girl

A fire broke out in the village.

Everyone ran for safety.

But a little girl saw a puppy.

It was stuck inside a hut.

She ran quickly.

She carried the puppy  
out.

Her hands were  
burnt.





# The Brave Fisherman

The sea was stormy that night. A fisherman saw a drowning child. He jumped into the water. The waves were strong. He swam with all his strength. Finally, he reached the child. He pulled him onto the boat. The villagers cheered his courage. The child hugged him tightly. The fisherman was a true hero.





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## WITH READING COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS



### **The Helpful Mouse**

A mouse lived in a small hole. He saw a lion trapped in a net. The lion roared angrily, The mouse felt sorry. He bit the net with his teeth. The lion was free! The lion thanked the mouse. They became good friends, Big or small, everyone matters. That's the mouse's



# The Good Deed



One day, a lion was chasing a deer. The deer ran swiftly and escaped. Later, the deer saw the lion caught in a hunter's net. Feeling sorry for the lion, the kind deer approached him and freed him from the net. The lion thanked the deer and realized the importance of kindness and gratitude. From that day, the lion gave up hunting animals and became the friend of deer.



# THE WIZARD OF OZ

Dorothy lived on a farm with her aunt, uncle, and her little dog Toto. One day, a great cyclone came, and before Dorothy could reach safety, she and Toto were swept away. They landed in a strange land, where the Good Witch of the North gave Dorothy a pair of magical silver shoes.

On her journey, Dorothy met many dangers but also made new friends: a Scarecrow, a Tin Man, and a Lion. Together they traveled the Yellow Brick Road. At last, they reached the Wizard, who said he would help Dorothy





# Two Girls and a Bag of Gold Coins

One day, two little girls, Emma and Katherine, were walking down the street.

Suddenly, Emma noticed a bag lying on the ground. When she opened it, she was surprised to see it was full of gold coins!

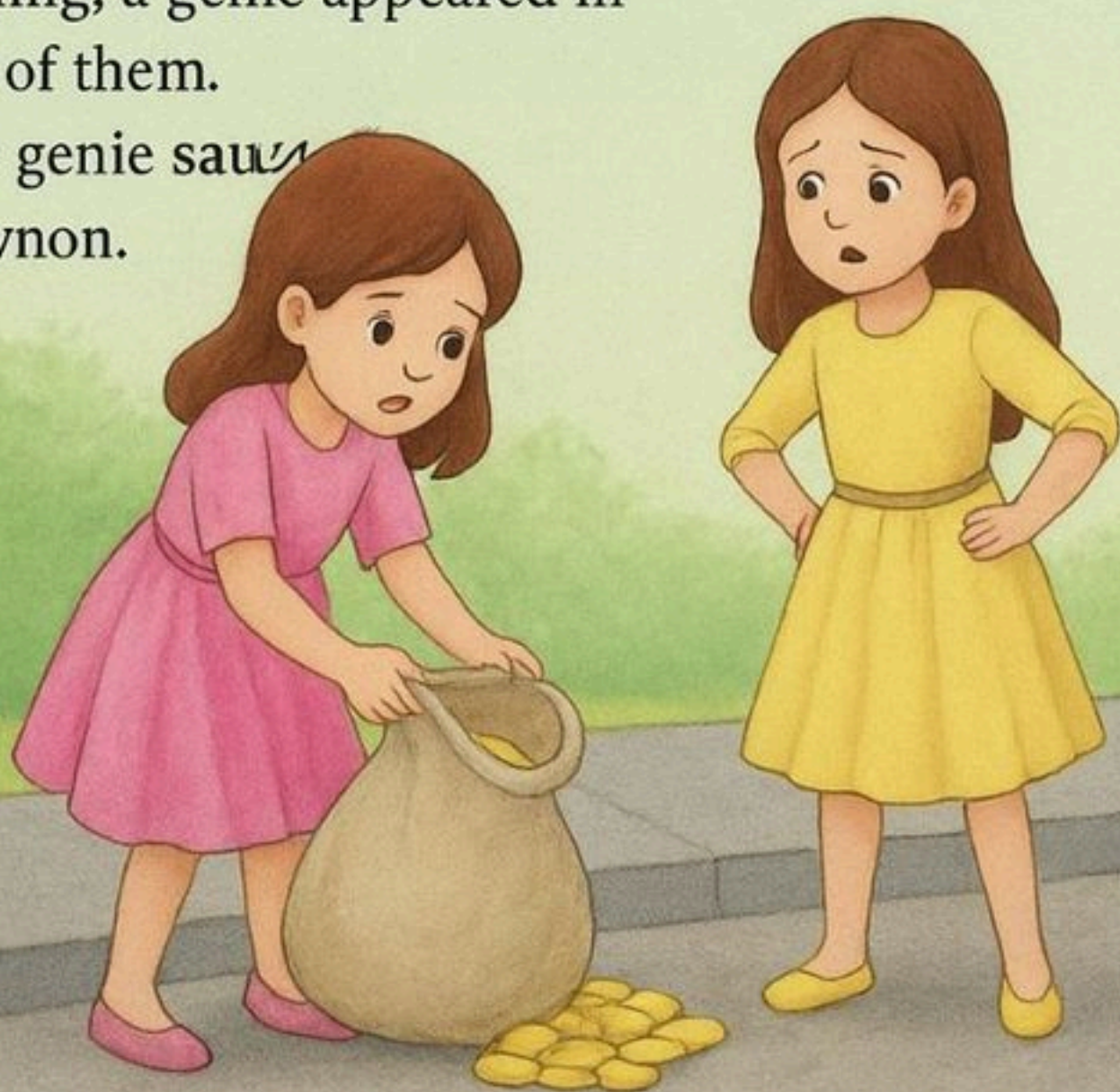
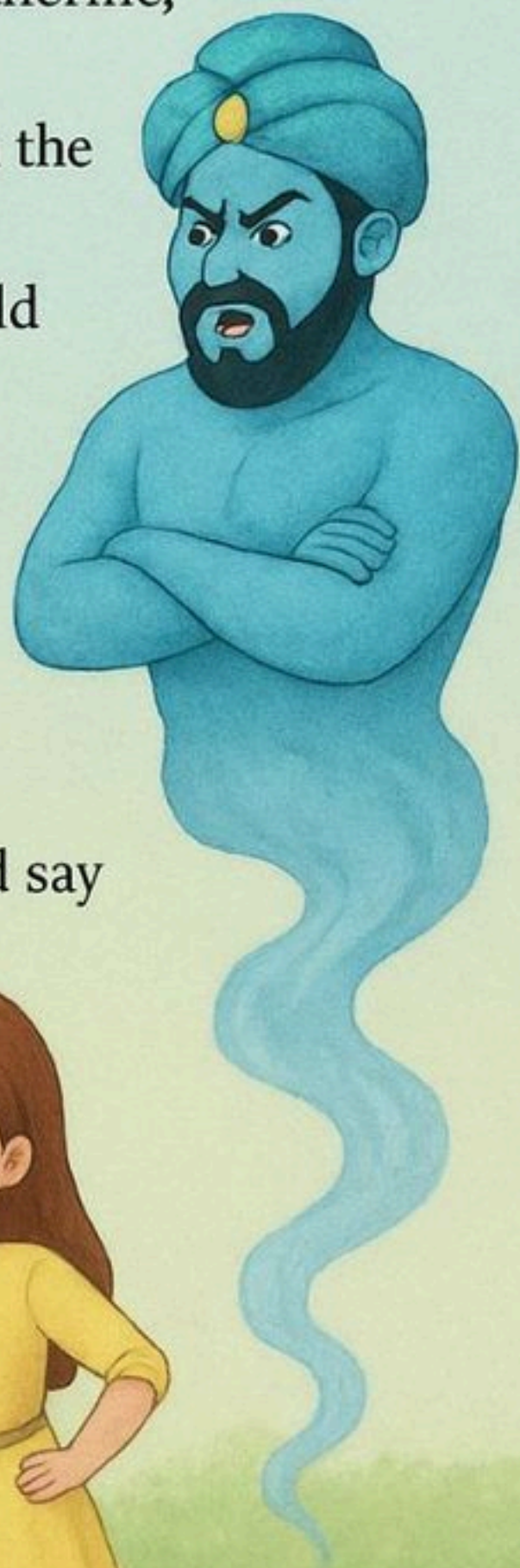
“Oh! We found a bag of gold coins!”

Katherine exclaimed.

Emma quickly replied, “We? I was the one who found it. You were busy looking at the birds. These coins are mine.”

Katherine felt upset, but before she could say anything, a genie appeared in front of them.

The genie said, “You have found a bag of gold coins. But remember, what you sow, so shall you reap.”



Emma was frightened. “Oh no, what have we gotten ourselves into?” cried.

**Moral:** What you sow, so shall you reap.



# The Ant and the Dove

One hot day, a little ant was walking by a riverbank to drink water.

As she leaned over, she slipped and fell into the stream!

“Help! I can’t swim!  
Someone please help.”

High up on a tree,  
a kind dove noticed the tiny  
ant struggling in the water.



Without wasting a second, she plucked a green leaf and dropped it close to ant.

“Thank you, Dove! You saved my life.  
I’ll never forget your kindness.”

Days passed. One afternoon, the ant saw a hunter aiming at the same dove with his bow.

Quick as a flash, the ant  
crawled up and bit the hunter on the  
foot!

Dove: “Thank you, little Ant! You saved my  
life too!”




Once upon a time. There was fox.  
He was very hungry. He reached  
in a garden. He saw ripe grapes  
there. The grapes were out of his  
reach. He jumped again and again  
but all in vain. At last he said,  
*"The grapes are sour."*

**MORAL:**

***THE GRAPES ARE SOUR***







# The Fox and the crow

Once upon a time.

There was a crow. He had a piece of meat.

A hungry fox came there. His mouth watered when he saw the piece of meat. He thought of a plan to get it.

He said, “Dear Crow, you have such a sweet voice! Will you sing a song for me?”

The crow felt proud and opened his beak to sing.

**Moral :Beware of  
Flattery.**





# The Brave Little Rabbit



One day in the jungle, a fierce lion declared, “I will eat one animal each day. Come to me by turn, or I will kill you all!” All the animals were scared and agreed. Days passed, and it was the turn of a clever little rabbit. The rabbit walked slowly and reached the lion late. The lion got angry and roared, “Why are you so late?” The rabbit calmly said, “Another lion stopped me and claimed to be the real king!” The lion got furious and shouted, “Take me to him!” The rabbit led him to a deep well and pointed inside. He lion saw his own reflection and praised the rabbit for his bravery and cleverness.



# The Wise Monkey



One day in the jungle, a crocodile saw a monkey eating juicy fruits on a tree near the river. The crocodile wanted the monkey's heart, so he tricked he monkey by inviting him to his home across the river. The monkey agreed and jumped onto the crocodile's back. In the middle of the river, the crocodile revealed his true plan.

The clever monkey stayed calm and said, "Oh! You should have told me earlier. I left my heart on the tree." The foolish crocodile swam back to the tree. He monkey quickly jumped off and climbed up the tree. He laughed and said, "You won't get my heart or my trust."



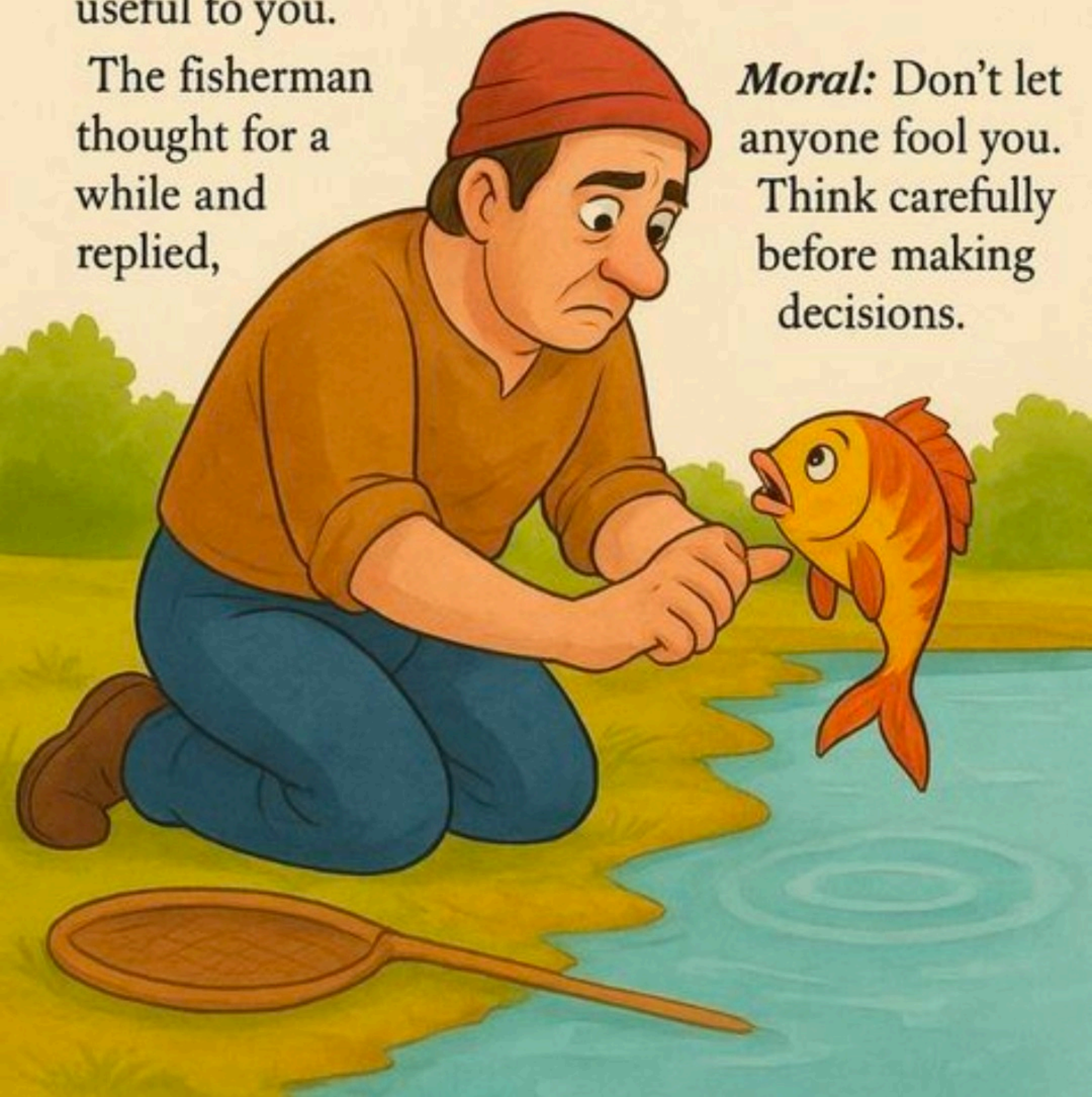
# THE FISHERMAN AND THE FISH

One day, a fisherman throw his net into a pond and caught a small fish. He was very happy. But the little fish begged him to let it go.

“Please don’t catch me now,” said the fish. “I am too small. I won’t be of any use to you. If you let me go, I’ll grow bigger, and then I’ll be more useful to you.”

The fisherman thought for a while and replied,

***Moral:*** Don’t let anyone fool you. Think carefully before making decisions.





# Jim and the Old Lady

Jim was a poor boy, He was 11 years old and had no parents. He cleaned shoes to earn a little money. He hardly had enough food to eat.

One cold night, Jim was eating his small meal. Suddenly, an old lady knocked on his door.

She looked tired and hungry.

Jim had only one piece of bread, but he saw that she needed it more.

He gave his bread to the old lady.

She smiled and said, "Thank you, kind boy."



As she walked away, she turned into a bright angel! She was so happy with Jim's kindness that she gave him lots of food and gold.

From that day, Jim never went hungry again.



# Chasing a Dream

There was a little girl who had everything she needed. But she had a big dream — she wanted to play with the stars in the sky!

Everyone told her it was not possible. But the girl didn't give up. One day, she started walking to find the stars on her own.

After walking a few miles, she met some fairies. She asked them, "Have you seen the stars?"

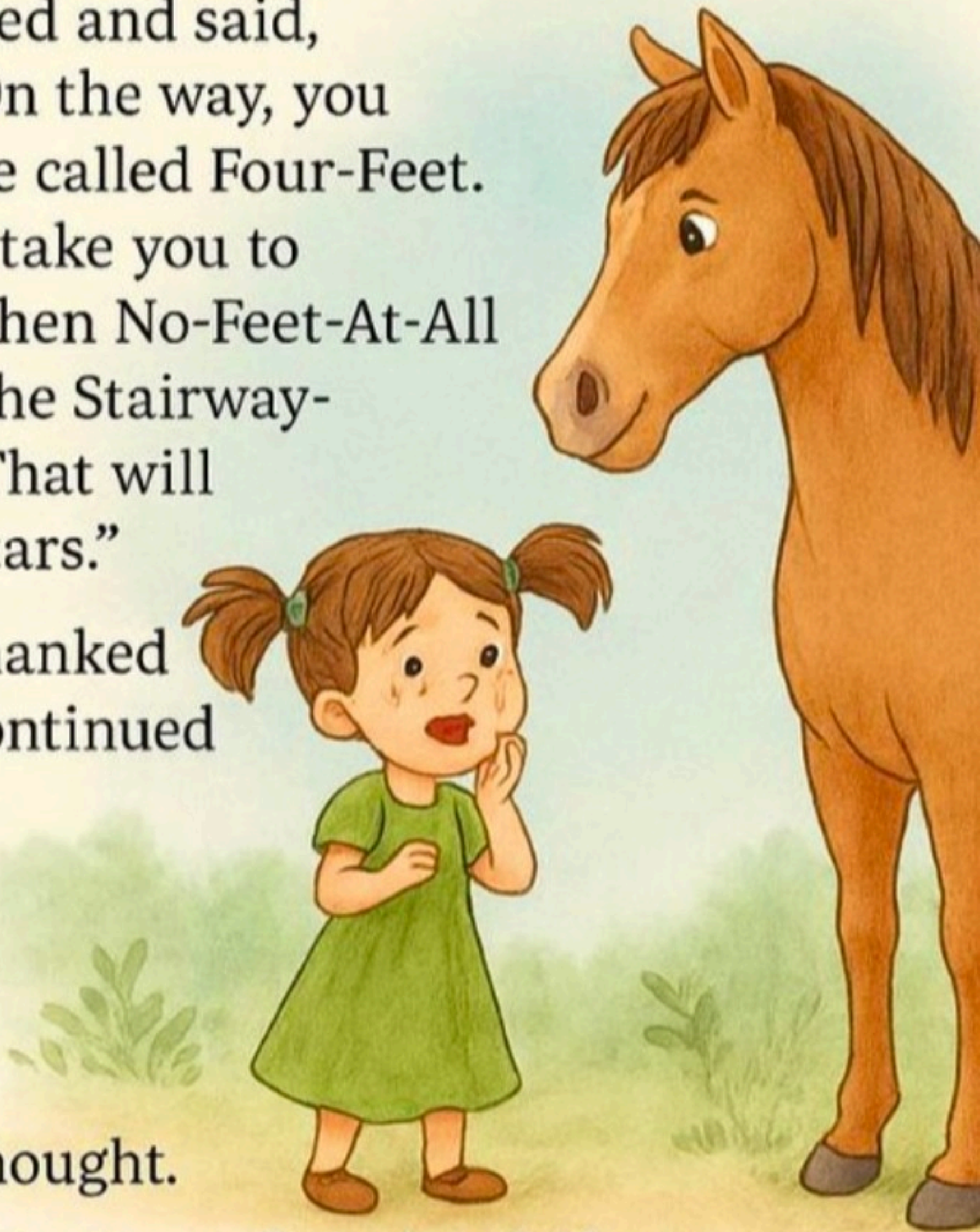
The fairies smiled and said, "Keep walking. On the way, you will find someone called Four-Feet. Ask Four-Feet to take you to No-Feet-At-All. Then No-Feet-At-All will take you to the Stairway-With-No-Steps. That will lead you to the stars."

The little girl thanked the fairies and continued her journey.

After a while, she saw a horse.

"This must be Four-Feet," she thought.

She asked, "Hello, are you Four-Feet? If yes, can you please take me to No-Feet-At-All?"







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# THE MAGIC POT

Once, there was a little girl named Tara. She lived with her mother. They were very poor and had little food.

One day, Tara went to the forest. She met an old woman. The old woman gave her a pot and said:

“This is a magic pot. It will cook porridge when you say, Cook-Pot-Cook.” It will stop when you say. “Stop-Pot-Stop.”

Tara was very happy, She ran home and told her mother, “Now we won’t be hungry. We have a magic pot!”

Tara said, “Cook-Pot-Cook.” and the pot made porridge. Her mother was very happy. They both ate the porridge.

One day, Tara went out, Her mother felt hungry and said, “Cook-Pot-Cook.” The pot started cooking porridge...

