

The Old Man with a Growth on His Face

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Age

10

Genre

Folktale

Word Count

378 Words

Story at a Glance

An old man with a growth on his face was singing in an abandoned house when an ogre appeared. The ogre thought the singing came from the growth and gave the old man gold in return for the growth. A greedy man who also had a growth on his face heard about this and went to the abandoned house and waited for the same thing to happen to him. The ogre showed up but was angry because the growth did not sing; and so, he stuck the growth on the man's face. The greedy man ended up with two growths on his face.

Activity Ideas

After reading the story, *The Old Man with a Growth on His Face*, let's learn the new words in the story. And, dig deeper into the story!

Key Words

diligent

hard working

growth

something like a tumor or lump on or in the body that is not normal

wintry

of winter

dusk

the time of evening just before dark

approach

to come near

abandoned

no longer used or lived in

howl

to make the sound made by wolves or wild dogs

Words Use

Choose the word that best completes each sentence.

01 The hardworking old man was _____ and kind.

- ① diligent
- ② assumed
- ③ fortune

02 No one lives in the _____ house.

- ① assumed
- ② abandoned
- ③ trembling

03 The wind _____ and whipped around the frail old house.

- ① abandoned
- ② assumed
- ③ howled

04 When the old man was _____, he was shaking.

- ① fortune
- ② trembling
- ③ assuming

05 Gaining a sudden _____ means becoming rich.

- ① fortune
- ② growth
- ③ vehemence

Words Building

After reading *Old Man with a Growth on His Face*, write the meaning of each word in your own words.

diligent

growth

wintry

dusk

approach

abandoned

howl

whip

Understanding #1

Select 'True' if the statement is correct and 'False' if the statement is not correct. If you choose 'False' as an answer, think about what the right answer is.

- 01 The old man was out hunting small animals. T / F
- 02 The old man lost his direction home. T / F
- 03 The old man slept under a bridge. T / F
- 04 The ogre had horns. T / F

Understanding #2

01 What is the main idea of the story?

- ① Good fortune is unpredictable and greed is never rewarded.
- ② Ogres act with vehemence are not to be trusted.
- ③ Growths have magical power if you have more in number.

02 The ogre was angry because he thought _____.

- ① the old man was singing
- ② the growth would bring him more gold
- ③ the greedy man wanted to kill him
- ④ the old man had tricked him

03 The old man lost his way because _____.

- ① he didn't know the forest
- ② he had traveled too far
- ③ it was getting dark
- ④ he was getting tired

04 News of the old man's good fortune _____.

- ① spread throughout the countryside
- ② spread to the town
- ③ spread throughout the village
- ④ spread to the city

Understanding #3

Choose the order of the pictures that shows what happened in the story.

A



B



C



D



① B-C-A-D

② C-A-D-B

③ A-D-B-C

④ D-B-C-A

Read the passage below and choose the matching picture.

The horned ogre appeared again. But this time he was very angry.

"Take your growth back! It doesn't sing," he yelled with vehemence.

Then the ogre stuck the growth from the first man onto this man's face, instead of giving him gold.

①



②



③



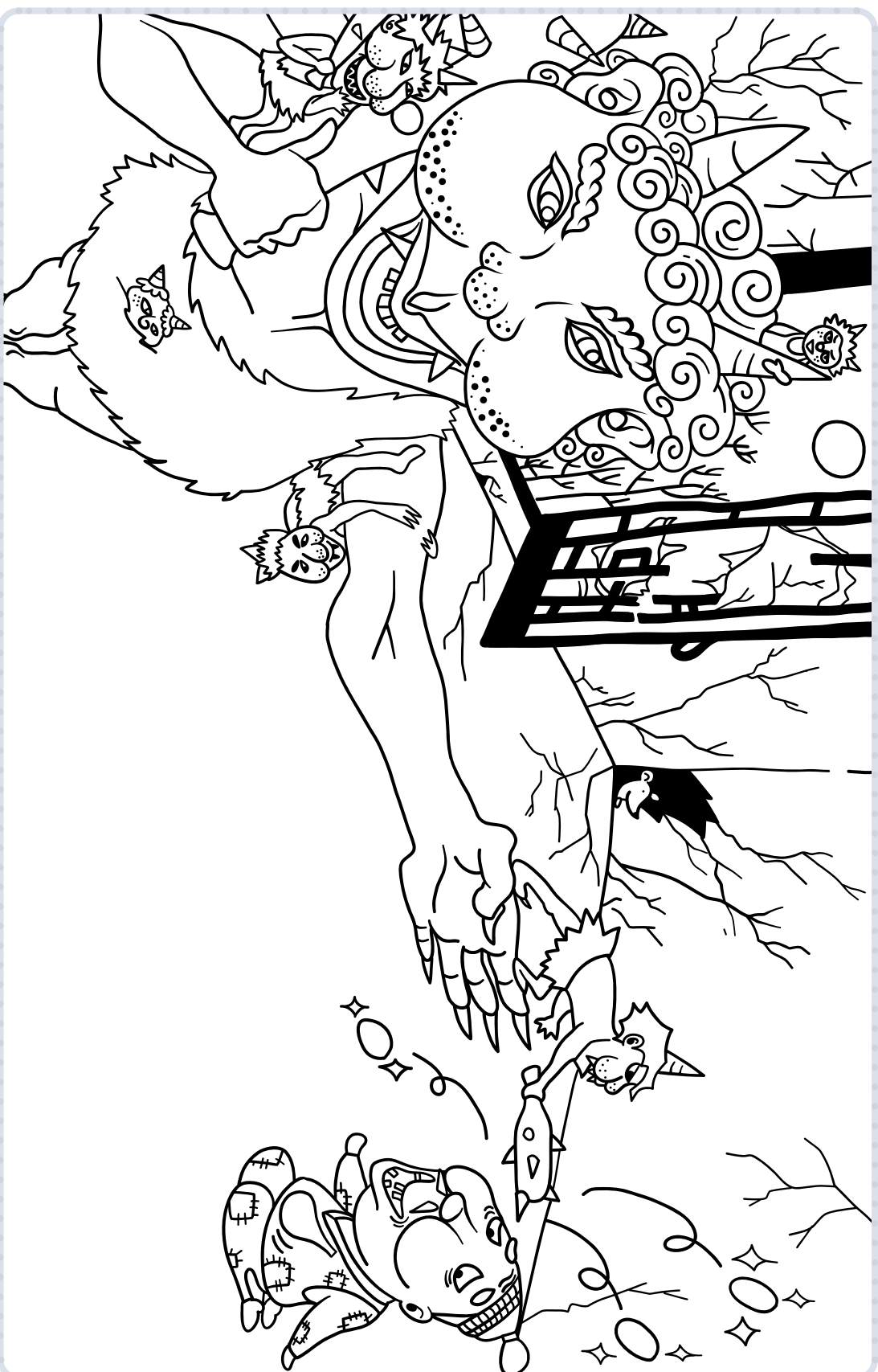
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Coloring Sheet

📅 DATE: _____

👤 NAME: _____



Speaking Fluency

Speak about the picture out loud.



The wind _____

_____.

and the old _____

_____.

Then he _____.

"Ooooh, ooooooh, hoot hoot!"



He assumed if _____

_____.

the ogre _____

_____.

He went to _____

_____.

Critical Thinking

Think about the questions and express your ideas or opinions about them.

- 01** Why did the greedy old man start singing in the empty house in the forest?
- 02** Why do you think the ogre stuck the growth onto the second man's face?
- 03** If you were the first man and the ogre asked you what you wanted in return for the growth, what would you have asked for? What would you do with what you asked for?

Writing

Write about the story on a separate piece of paper.

Title

Author



Can this story happen in real life?

Yes

No



This story is about

(a little boy and a dog, a scarecrow, an old tree, etc.)

Draw a picture about the story and write a sentence or two about the picture.

Making Your Own Story

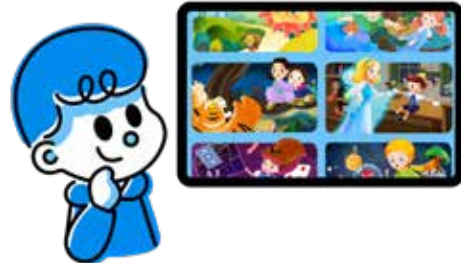


Download and make your own story in StorySelf.

Become a main character in the storybook



① Make your own face character in StorySelf.



② Choose *The Old Man with a Growth on His Face* story.



③ Choose your face character.



④ Enter the story and become the main character of the story.

Make your own voice storybook



① Enter the story, *The Old Man with a Growth on His Face*.



② Press the subtitle.



③ Record your voice for the subtitle.



④ Enjoy your voice in the storybook.

Answer Sheet

Words Use

- 1 - ①
- 2 - ②
- 3 - ③
- 4 - ②
- 5 - ①

Understanding #1

- 1 - F
- 2 - T
- 3 - F
- 4 - T

Understanding #2

- 1 - ①
- 2 - ④
- 3 - ③
- 4 - ③

Understanding #3

- Top - ①
- Bottom - ④

Speaking Fluency

[Left]

The wind howled and whipped around the frail old house as the night wore on, and the old man worried it would blow the house away. Then he heard an unfamiliar sound. "Ooooh, oooooooh, hoot hoot!"

[Right]

He assumed if he slept in the old abandoned house, the ogre would appear and make a similar exchange with him. He went to the empty house in the forest and sang a song.

Critical Thinking

Possible Answer

1. The greedy old man started singing because he thought that he would be able to get rid of his growth if he did exactly the same things that the first man had done.
2. I think the ogre thought that the second man was the same man as the first time and just wanted to stick the growth back on his face. The ogre was angry because he felt like he was tricked since the growth didn't sing.
3. I would have asked for a pot of gold that never goes empty. I would take some of the gold from the pot and share it with my family. We would buy whatever we wanted with the gold because the gold would never run out.