

# A Magic Millstone

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Age

10

Genre

Folktale

Word Count

273 Words

## Story at a Glance

Once upon a time, there was a magic millstone that gave a person whatever he or she requested. One day, a greedy man stole the magic millstone from a princess. The greedy man tried to escape by boat. While on the boat, the greedy man asked for salt because salt was very expensive and rare during those times. His foolishness and greed got the better of him because the salt from the millstone sank the boat with the man. The ocean has been salty ever since then because the millstone has continued to produce salt.

## Activity Ideas

After reading the story, *A Magic Millstone*, let's learn the new words in the story. And, dig deeper into the story!

### Key Words

**generous**

willing to give or share

**charity**

good will or love toward others

**request**

to ask

**satiate**

to satisfy

**desire**

what you want

**avoid**

to stay away from something

**capture**

to arrest

**instantly**

immediately

## Words Use

Choose the word that best completes each sentence.

**01** Giving money or things to the poor is an act of \_\_\_\_\_.

- ① charity
- ② fortune
- ③ desire

**02** When one wants to \_\_\_\_\_ a desire, one seeks to satisfy it.

- ① satiate
- ② avoid
- ③ request

**03** When the police \_\_\_\_\_ a criminal, they arrest him or her.

- ① plead
- ② capture
- ③ request

**04** When someone becomes \_\_\_\_\_, he or she becomes rich.

- ① satiated
- ② obliged
- ③ wealthy

**05** As the salt weighed the boat down, the boat began to \_\_\_\_\_ and sink.

- ① wealthy
- ② generous
- ③ tilt

# Words Building

After reading *A Magic Millstone*, write the meaning of each word in your own words.

**generous**

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**charity**

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## 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** In the folktale, a prince owned a magic lamp. **T / F**
- 02** The princess was generous toward the poor. **T / F**
- 03** A greedy man stole the princess. **T / F**
- 04** In the folktale, salt was very expensive. **T / F**

## Understanding #2

**01** What is the moral of the folktale?

- ① Greed will be punished.
- ② Generosity is rewarded.
- ③ Millstones can be dangerous.

**02** The boat sank because \_\_\_\_\_.

- ① the man was greedy
- ② the millstone didn't work
- ③ the poor asked for salt
- ④ the increasing amount of salt became too heavy

**03** We know the greedy man drowned because \_\_\_\_\_.

- ① the princess wanted him punished
- ② the millstone was magical
- ③ he was on the boat as it sank
- ④ salt is very heavy

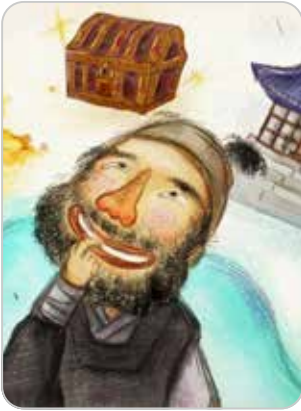
**04** The princess performed acts of charity because \_\_\_\_\_.

- ① she was rich
- ② she was powerful
- ③ she was generous
- ④ she was beautiful

# 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

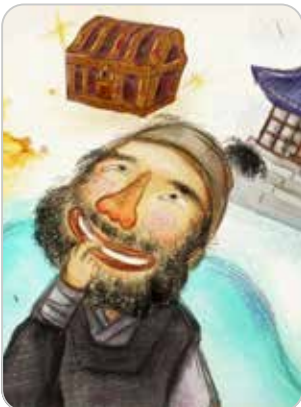
③ A-D-B-C

④ D-B-C-A

Read the passage below and choose the matching picture.

While aboard ship, the man couldn't wait to ask the magic millstone to make things for him.

①



②



③



④



# Coloring Sheet

 DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

 NAME: \_\_\_\_\_



# Speaking Fluency

Speak about the picture out loud.



One day, one of the princess's

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The man \_\_\_\_\_

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He only tried \_\_\_\_\_

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To this day, salt \_\_\_\_\_

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That is why \_\_\_\_\_

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## Critical Thinking

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

**01** Why do you think the man asked the millstone for something while he was on the boat?

**02** How were the princess and the greedy man different?

**03** If you had a magic millstone, what would you ask for? Why?

# Writing

Write about the story on a separate piece of paper.

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Title

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Author



Can this story happen in real life?

Yes

No



This story is about

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(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.

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# Making Your Own Story

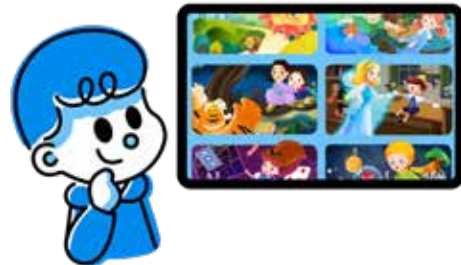


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① Enter the story, A Magic Millstone.



② Press the subtitle.



③ Record your voice for the subtitle.



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# Answer Sheet

## Words Use

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

## 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 - ①

## Speaking Fluency

[Left]

One day, one of the princess's servant men saw her use the magic millstone. The man was greedy and stole the magic millstone to make himself rich. He only tried to satisfy his own desire and didn't want to return the magic millstone.

[Right]

To this day, salt is produced by the millstone under the sea. That is why the ocean water is so salty.

## Critical Thinking

### Possible Answer

1. I think the man asked for something while he was on the boat because he was greedy and impatient. He couldn't wait to be rich, so he asked for something right away without thinking of what could happen.
2. The princess was generous and used the millstone for charity. The princess asked for things from the millstone so she could help others. The greedy man, on the other hand, just wanted things for himself. He was greedy, selfish, and foolish.
3. If I had a magic millstone, I would ask for diamonds because even small diamonds are worth a lot of money. I could carry small diamonds and use them like money rather than carrying heavy pieces of gold.