

The Magic Deer

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Age

14

Genre

Folktale

Word Count

339 Words

Story at a Glance

After saving a magical deer, a woodcutter was given instructions to go to a waterfall where the fairies bathed. There, the woodcutter fell in love with the fairy Amari. The two married and lived happily. The couple had two children. However, Amari soon began to miss her home in the sky, and finally the woodcutter had no choice but to return her robe so she could go back to the fairyland with her offspring. The woodcutter was sad, and his sorrow reached the magical deer. The deer once again instructed the woodcutter to go to the waterfalls. At the waterfall was a magical cloud, and the woodcutter got on it to go up to the heavens and join his family.

Activity Ideas

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

Key Words

frantically

madly; in an uncontrolled manner

assistance

the act of helping

desperation

extreme need

hesitation

a pause

agile

quick in movement

celestial

heavenly

cloak

a robe

Words Use

Choose the word that best completes each sentence.

01 The deer pleaded _____ with the woodcutter for help.

- ① proposal
- ② frantically
- ③ slowly

02 The _____ deer moved very quickly.

- ① agile
- ② celestial
- ③ cloak

03 Amari accepted the woodcutter's _____ of marriage.

- ① proposal
- ② filter
- ③ cloak

04 The woodcutter's sadness _____ through the woods.

- ① engulfed
- ② proposed
- ③ filtered

05 A cloud _____ down slowly with Amari and her children.

- ① engulfed
- ② drifted
- ③ witnessed

Words Building

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

frantically

assistance

desperation

hesitation

agile

celestial

cloak

proposal

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 woodcutter helped the magic deer hide from the fairies. T / F
- 02 The woodcutter hid Amari's celestial robe. T / F
- 03 Amari refused the woodcutter's proposal of marriage. T / F
- 04 Amari, the woodcutter, and their children were together at the end. T / F

Understanding #2

- 01 What is the main idea of the story?
 - ① The woodcutter was unhappy living alone.
 - ② The deer was magical only when in the woods.
 - ③ The woodcutter's unselfish love for Amari was rewarded.
- 02 When the woodcutter hid Amari's celestial cloak, _____.
 - ① she could no longer fly home
 - ② she could no longer bathe in the waterfall
 - ③ she could no longer live in the woods
 - ④ she could no longer stay with the woodcutter
- 03 The woodcutter returned Amari's robe because _____.
 - ① his love for her died
 - ② he wanted her to leave
 - ③ he didn't want the robe any longer
 - ④ his love for her had become unselfish
- 04 The magic deer wanted to reward the woodcutter because _____.
 - ① the woodcutter didn't like hunters
 - ② the woodcutter had saved his life
 - ③ the woodcutter worked hard
 - ④ the woodcutter loved fairies

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.

When the woodcutter saw the fairies, he was struck by Amari's beauty and decided to hide her celestial robe so she would stay behind when the fairies flew back to fairyland.

①



②



③



④



Coloring Sheet

📅 DATE:

👤 NAME:



Speaking Fluency

Speak about the picture out loud.



In return _____,

the thankful deer _____

_____.

who would be _____

_____.

When Amari _____

_____.

she accepted _____

_____.

Critical Thinking

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

01 Why did the magical deer reward the woodcutter by telling him about the waterfall?

02 Why did the woodcutter return Amari's robe so that she could go back to the fairyland?

03 Why did the deer help the woodcutter once again by pointing him to the magical cloud?

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

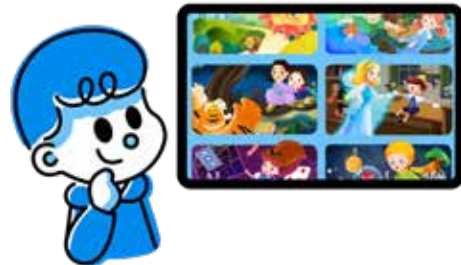


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① Make your own face character in StorySelf.



② Choose *The Magic Deer* 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 Magic Deer*.



② Press the subtitle.



③ Record your voice for the subtitle.



④ Enjoy your voice in the storybook.

Answer Sheet

Words Use

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

Understanding #1

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

Understanding #2

- 1 - ③
- 2 - ①
- 3 - ④
- 4 - ②

Understanding #3

- Top - ④
- Bottom - ②

Speaking Fluency

[left]

In return for his help, the thankful deer told the woodcutter to go to the waterfalls and find the beautiful fairy Amari, who would be bathing there with her friends.

[right]

When Amari found that her cloak was missing and she had no guide to return home, she accepted the woodcutter's proposal of marriage.

Critical Thinking

Possible Answer

1. The magical deer was probably helping the woodcutter to find a wife.
2. The woodcutter returned Amari's robe because she was deeply unhappy, and he didn't want her to suffer.
3. The deer helped the woodcutter once again by pointing him to the magical cloud because he knew that was what the woodcutter needed. Last time, the woodcutter needed a wife, but this time, he wanted to be with his family. I think the deer wanted to help the woodcutter because he was a kind husband who had done nothing wrong.