

# Jack and the Beanstalk

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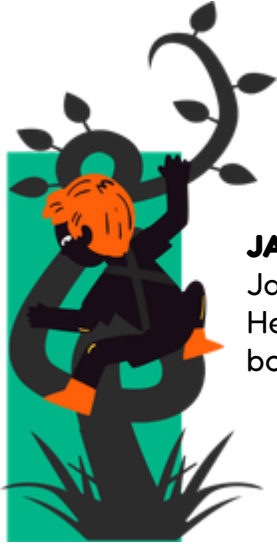
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# The characters

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## **JACK**

Jack lives with his mother. He is a young and clever boy.



## **THE GIANT WOMAN**

She is the wife of the giant. Unlike her husband, she is kind and tries to help Jack.

## **MOTHER**

She is the mother of Jack. They are very poor, they work hard together to afford food and survive.



## **THE GIANT MAN**

A terrifying ogre. He is greedy and always hungry for children.

# Reading instructions

## HOW TO READ THIS BOOK?

### Read aloud

Each pupil is assigned one character and reads when their colour appears.

You can find the colour code on the next pages.

### Individual reading

You can choose to display the story on a digital device, or to print the PDF version of the story.



### LOUD

Read the sentence as loud as you can.

## DISPLAY THE BOOK

We recommend displaying the book **page by page**.

To ensure everyone can read the text, we suggest showing the book on a large screen.

## LEVEL 2, WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

Level 2 includes the text and the images.

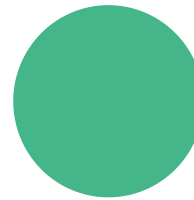
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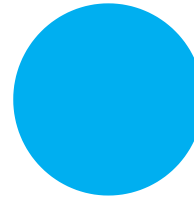
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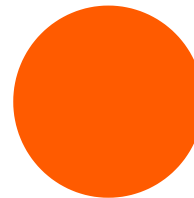
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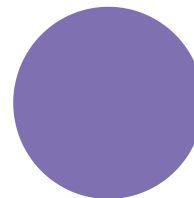
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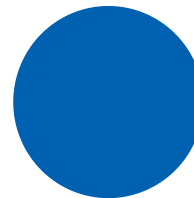
**MOTHER**



**THE GIANT WOMAN**



**THE GIANT MAN**



**THE MAGIC HARP**

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When Jack is betrayed by a magic harp.

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## **Part 6**

When Jack escapes the Giant's anger.

## PART 1



Once upon a time, there lived a poor woman and her son, Jack.

One day, Jack's mother asked him to sell their only cow to buy food.

On his way to the market, Jack met a man who offered to buy the cow in exchange for five magic beans.



Mother, look!

Some weird man at the market offered  
me five magic beans for our cow!

**FIVE** magic beans!

For only **ONE** little cow!





You silly boy!

He took our cow and gave  
you these worthless beans!







She threw the beans out the window, and Jack went to bed without dinner, feeling very sad.

## PART 2

The next morning, Jack woke up and saw an amazing sight. Outside his window stood a huge beanstalk that had grown overnight from the magic beans.





I don't know why, but I trust you.

Take my cow and give me those  
magic beans, I bet my mother will be  
thrilled for this exchange!





Excited and curious, Jack decided to climb the beanstalk.





He climbed higher and higher until he reached a strange land in the sky: there was a big house, really big, with the biggest door Jack had ever seen.



This house seems cosy and huuuge.

And I am soooo hungry after my long climb.

Let's knock and ask for food and rest!





A giant woman answered, and Jack, who was neither afraid nor impressed, asked politely for something to eat.





You poor tiny little boy!

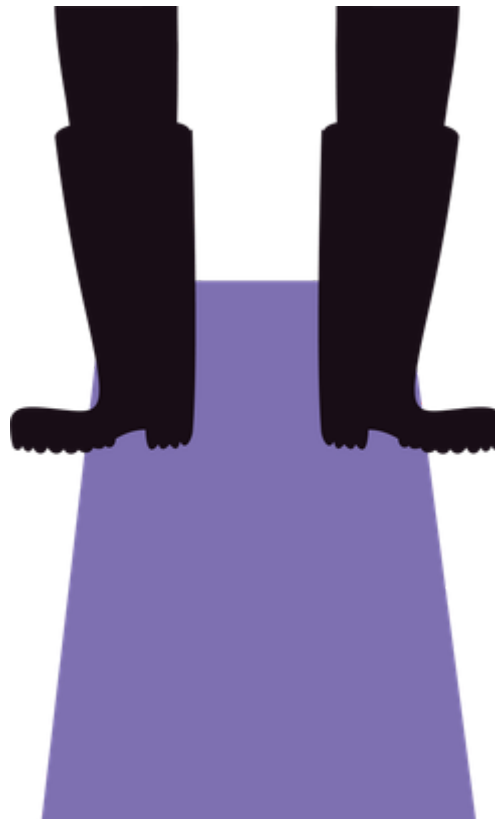
Come in, quick, I'll give you bread  
and milk.

But then you will have to leave really  
fast.





## PART 3



While Jack was eating, he heard someone open the enormous door of the huge house.



Oh no, here **HE** is!

Quick, find a place to hide and do  
**NOT** come out before he is gone!





Jack hid as fast as he could.

A gigantic man entered the room, his enormous footsteps shaking the floor.



"Fee-fi-fo-fum, I smell a boy from  
far away. Whether he's near or  
whether he's far, I'll find him today  
and put him in a jar!"





There is no boy here, husband.

Neither near, nor far.





The giant ate his meal and went to his room to count his gold coins.

When the giant fell asleep, Jack sneaked out, took a sack of gold coins, and climbed down the beanstalk.



His mother was very happy when Jack gave her the coins, and they lived comfortably for a while.

## PART 4



This adventure was so exciting!

And Mother was so proud of me for bringing home those coins.

I wonder if I could find something up there that would make her happy again.

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He climbed the beanstalk and returned to the giant's house. He asked the giant's wife for food again.

As he was eating, the giant came back. Jack quickly hid under the bed.





Fee-fi-fo-fum, I smell a boy from  
far away.





There is no boy here, as I told you the other day.





After eating, the giant took out a hen that laid golden eggs.

When the giant fell asleep, Jack took the hen and climbed down the beanstalk.

His mother was thrilled, and they had even more money now.

## PART 5



After a few days, Jack climbed the beanstalk one more time.

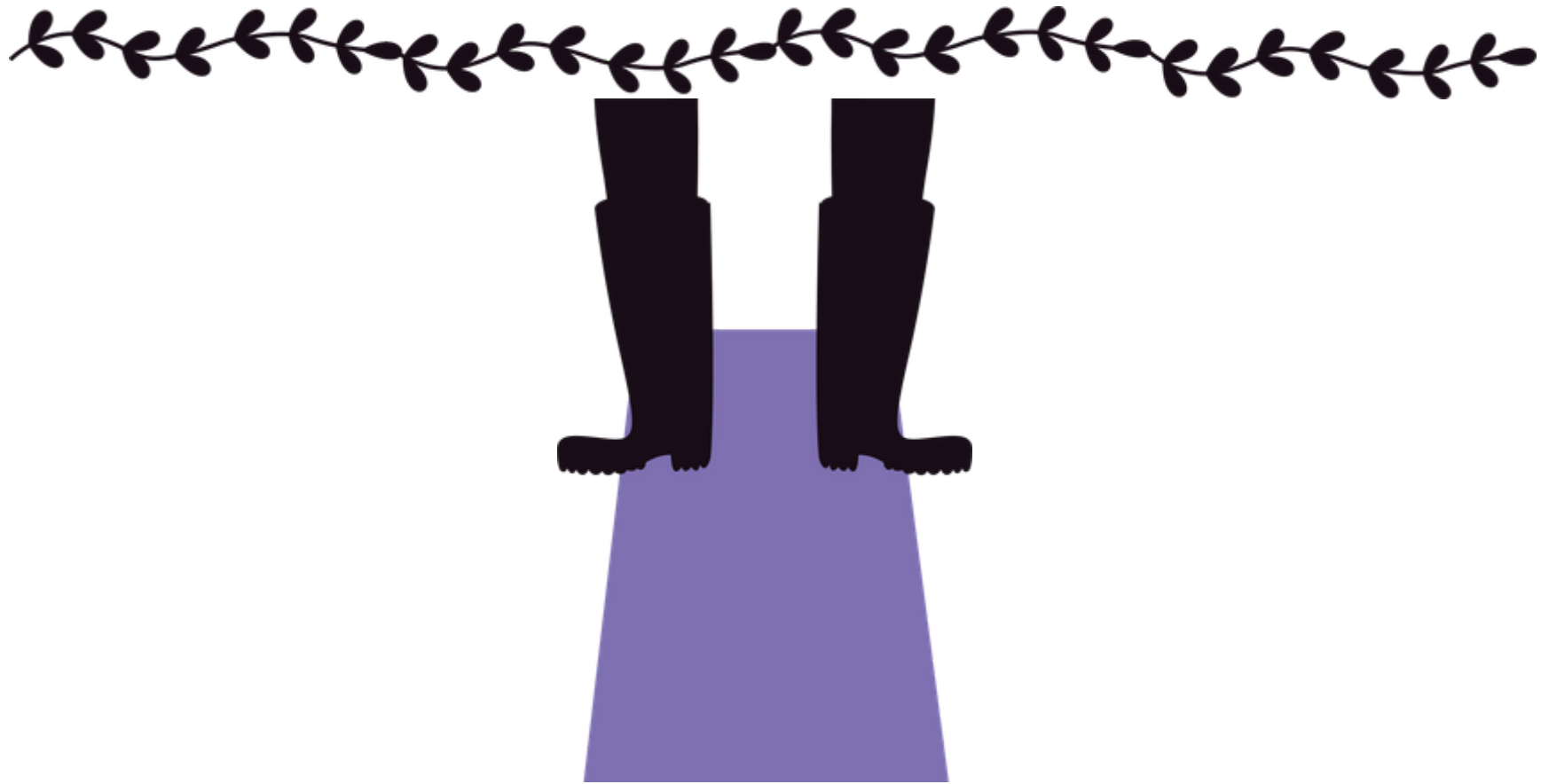
He went to the giant's house and asked the giant's wife for food.



Oh here you come again, tiny little boy!

Here, have some bread and milk, but you know the deal: eat, drink, and **leave very quickly.**





Jack ate and Jack drank, as fast as he could.

But it wasn't fast enough: soon, the Giant Man opened the enormous door of the huge house.

Jack hid before he entered.



Fee-fi-fo-fum, I smell a boy from  
far away.







There is still no boy here, my dear.

Please show me what you brought  
today.





The giant then took out a magical harp that played beautiful music.

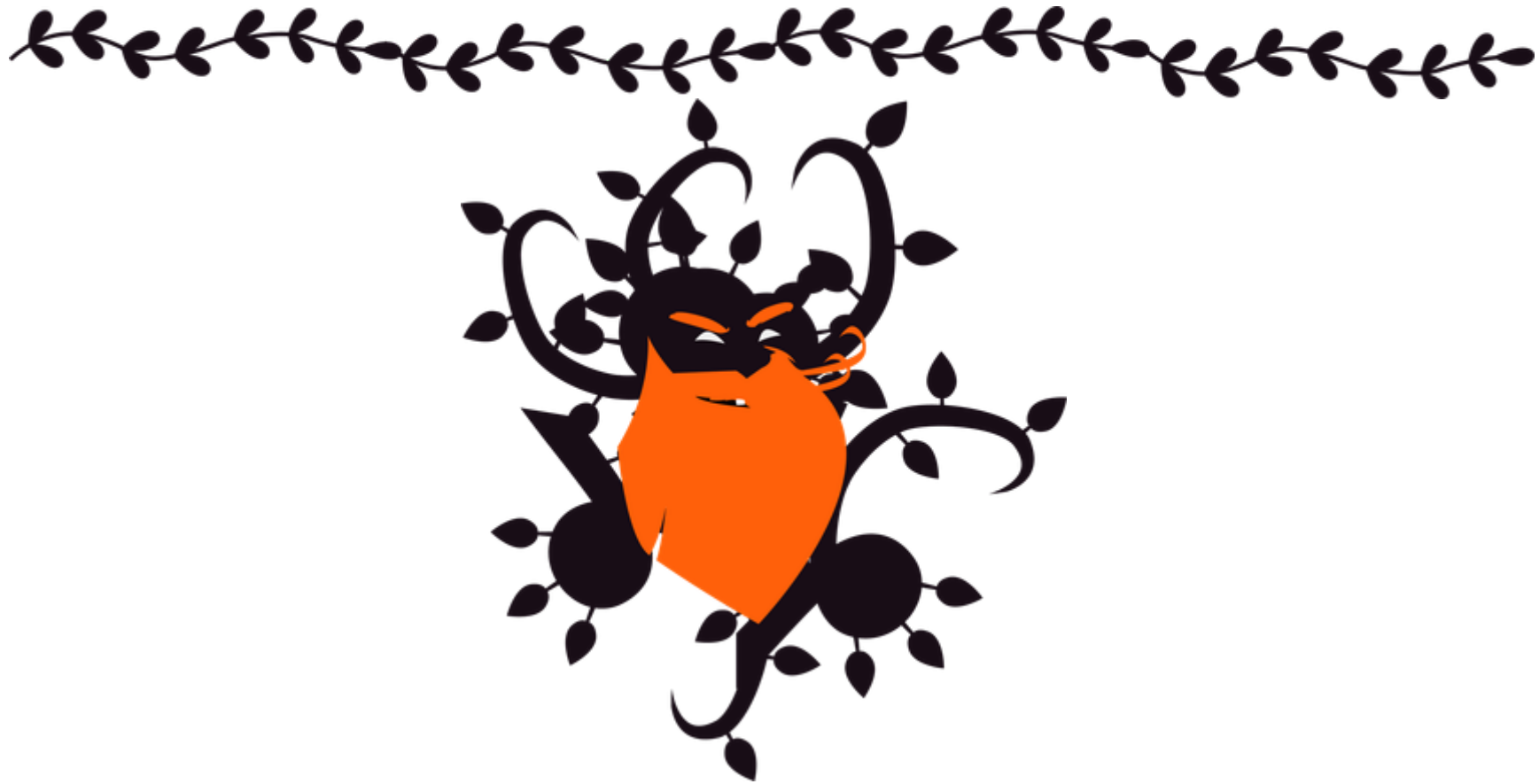
When the giant fell asleep, Jack took the Harp and was about to leave when the Harp cried out.



Help, master!

A boy is stealing me!





The giant woke up and chased Jack.

Jack ran down the beanstalk as fast as he could with the giant right behind him.

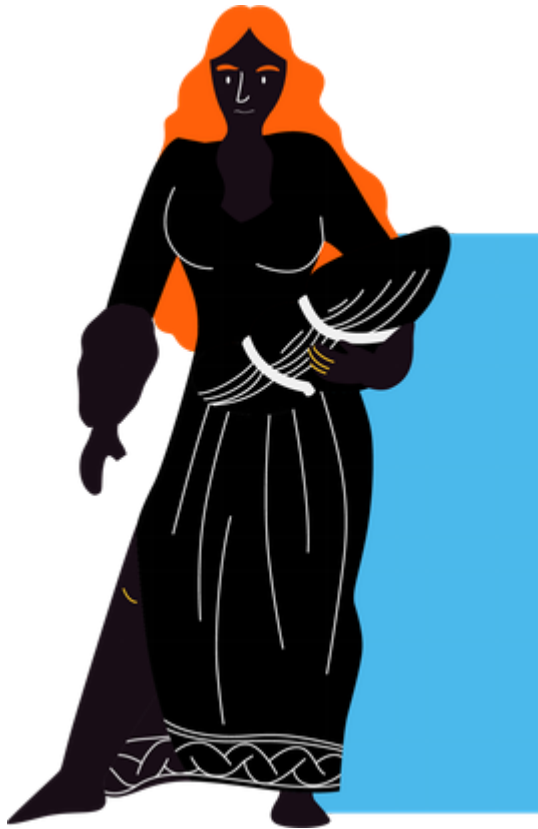
## PART 6



Mother, hurry please!

Bring the axe, I need to chop the giant  
beanstalk!





There it is, son!

Wait, is that a Giant coming  
down?!





Jack didn't have time to explain the huge house, the bread, the milk nor the Giant Man to his mother.

He started chopping the beanstalk with all his might.



The beanstalk began to shake and fall.

The giant lost his balance and came crashing down, ending his chase forever.






Jack and his mother were finally safe.



With the gold coins, the hen that laid golden eggs, and the magic harp, Jack and his mother became very wealthy.

They lived happily ever after, thankful for their wonderful adventures.



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