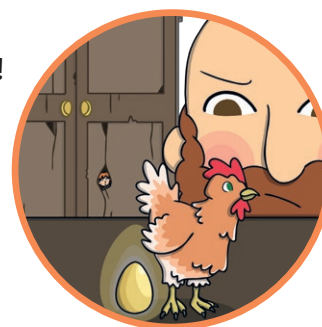# Jack and the Beanstalk

Once upon a time, there was a boy called Jack. Jack lived in a cottage with his mother. They were very poor and their most valuable possession was a cow. One day, Jack's mother asked him to take the cow to market to sell. On the way, Jack met a man who gave him some magic beans in exchange for the cow.

When Jack came home with the beans his mother was angry. She threw the beans out of the window and sent him to bed. The next morning, Jack looked out of the window. A giant beanstalk had grown in the garden! Jack decided to climb the beanstalk. It was so tall, it went right up to the sky and through the clouds!

When Jack finally reached the top, he saw an enormous castle. Jack decided to go inside; all the furniture was huge! Suddenly, Jack heard a loud noise. He ran into a cupboard to hide. A huge giant came into the room. "Fee, Fi, Fo, Fum, I smell the blood of an Englishman!" he bellowed. The giant sat down at the table. On the table was a hen and a golden harp. "Lay!" said the giant and the hen laid an egg; it was made out of solid gold. "Sing!" said the giant and the harp sang. The beautiful music made the giant fell asleep.

Jack jumped out of the cupboard and took the hen and the harp. As he ran, the harp cried, "Help master!"

The giant woke up and called, "Fee, Fi, Fo, Fum, I smell the blood of an Englishman!" He chased Jack to the top of the beanstalk. Jack climbed down the beanstalk and the giant followed him.

As Jack got to the bottom of the beanstalk, he shouted, "Help!" Jack's mother came out with an axe. She used it to chop the bottom of the beanstalk. The giant fell and crashed to the ground. He was never seen again. With the golden eggs and the magic harp, Jack and his mother lived happily ever after.