
When Wishes Come True

Reading Comprehension

Three Wishes

Nora sat by the well, ready to wash her dishes. It was a very hot day. She scooped up a bucket of water to have a drink. As she lowered the bucket again, she noticed a small cup just outside of the well. She picked up the cup and sat it with her stack of dishes.

Nora started to wash her dishes. As she rubbed the small cup she had found outside of the well, a cloud of smoke and a genie appeared. Nora was shocked! She did not know whether to stay still or run away.

"Do not be afraid," said the genie. "I am the genie of the cup. I am here to grant you three wishes."

"Three wishes?" asked Nora in disbelief.

"Three wishes, but that is all. Choose wisely."

Nora's first wish was to have all of the toys that she ever wanted. The genie granted her wish. After just five minutes with all of the toys, Nora needed a break. Each toy made a noise and Nora could hardly hear herself think.

Her second wish was to have all of her favourite foods. Nora soon realized that this was also a foolish wish because she got so full that she felt sick.

For her final wish, Nora turned to the genie and said, "I wish to give my last wish to someone else."

"That is a wise choice," said the genie, who suddenly disappeared into the cup.

Story Questions:

1. From this experience, Nora learned that...
 - a. she needed to have lots of changes to her life.
 - b. she needed to be ready to make wishes at any time.
 - c. she was happy with what she already had.
 - d. she should not trust the genie.

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2. Based on the passage, what did you learn about Nora?
 - a. She liked to make wishes.
 - b. She wished the genie was gone.
 - c. She lived a spoiled life.
 - d. She learned from her mistakes.

 3. What would be another good title for this story?
 - a. Make a Wish
 - b. The Genie and the Lamp
 - c. Doing the Dishes
 - d. Mr. Genie

Journal Writing

7. Based on the lesson Nora learned in the story above, what would you wish for and why if you were granted three wishes? **Write** about your three wishes and explain why you chose them.

Math Worksheet

4. Practise [converting fractions, decimals, and percents](#).

Word Problems

5. Read the word problems below and **write** the answers.
 - ★ Mr. Henderson's fifth-graders had a spelling test on Friday. Lucy got $\frac{3}{4}$ of the words correct. Which of the following expresses the decimal and percentage equivalent of that fraction?
 - a. 0.50 and 50%
 - b. 0.25 and 25%
 - c. 0.75 and 75%
 - d. 1.00 and 100%

 - ★ Mr. Henderson's fifth-graders had a math test on Monday. Kyle got $\frac{9}{10}$ of the questions correct. Which of the following expresses the decimal and percentage equivalent of that fraction?
 - a. 0.10 and 10%
 - b. 0.90 and 90%
 - c. 0.09 and 9%
 - d. 0.75 and 75%

Fun Stuff!

6. Inspired by wishing on a star, **create** your own star in this [geometric masterpiece](#). If you do not have canvas or paint, you can substitute in a sidewalk and some chalk to make a masterpiece that the whole neighbourhood can enjoy.