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# JACK

and the

# BEANSTALK



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ONCE UPON A TIME, a poor widow lived with her son, Jack. Starving, they had to sell their cow, Clover.



On the way to market, an old man offered Jack magic beans for his cow.

"Magic beans? Yes please!"  
cried Jack.

When Jack came back with only a handful of beans, his mother was so angry she threw them out of the window.



Next morning, the beans  
had sprouted into a **giant**  
beanstalk growing

**up** and **up**  
into the clouds.



Jack decided to climb it.  
At the top was a huge castle.

**THUMP!**  
**THUMP!**  
**THUMP!**

The ground shook and  
a booming voice said,

**“Fee-fi-fo-fum!**  
I smell the blood  
of an **Englishman.**  
Be he alive or be he dead,  
I’ll grind his bones  
to make my **bread.”**

