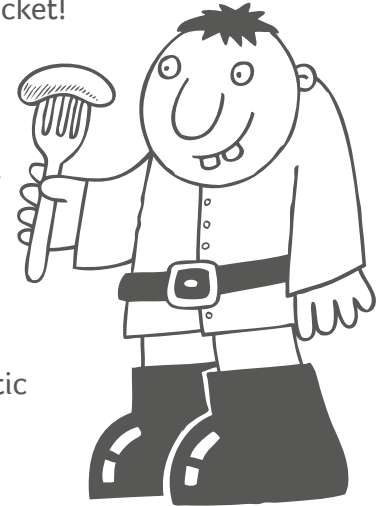


Suddenly, Jack saw an enormous castle in front of him. Full of curiosity, he opened the door and looked inside... He couldn't believe his eyes! There was a table set with a huge breakfast feast – bacon, eggs, sausages, mushrooms, tomatoes, and plates piled high with toast – enough to feed a hundred men, but there was only one plate and one chair. Jack thought it wouldn't do any harm to take one piece of toast, but as he headed to the table, the ground shook. Lumbering into the room was the biggest man Jack had ever seen – so big Jack could have fitted in his pocket!

Jack knew he had to hide, so he darted quickly behind a plant pot. But even though the giant couldn't see him, he could smell him.

'Fee, fi, fo, fum – little people, here I come!'

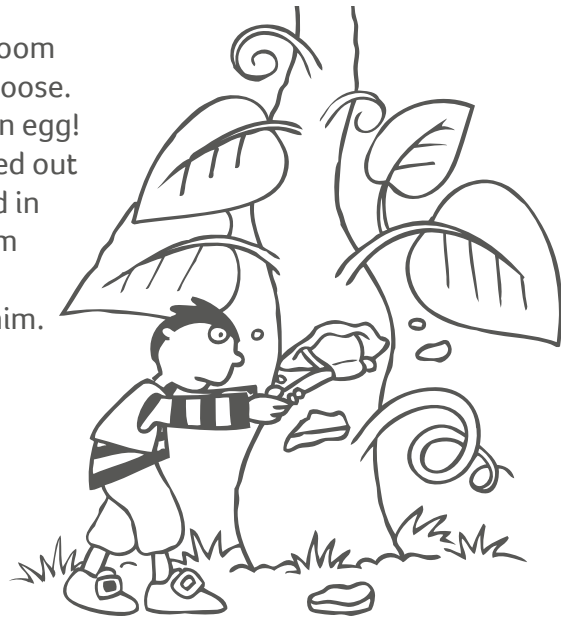
But when the giant saw the fantastic feast his wife had prepared, he sat down hungrily and began to eat.



Then, Jack noticed something in the corner of the room – trapped in a small cage was a sad-looking white goose. The giant shouted, 'Lay!' and the goose laid a golden egg! A solid gold egg! The giant took the egg and stomped out of the room. Jack felt so sorry for the goose trapped in the cage that he decided to free it. He ran away from the castle and along the path, carrying the goose down the beanstalk as fast as his legs would carry him.

But it was too late. The giant could still smell him and was coming down the beanstalk after him!

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Jack scrambled to the bottom and called to his mother to fetch an axe. She brought it to him swiftly and he chopped the beanstalk down, forcing the giant to climb back up to his castle before the mighty shoot tumbled to the ground.

Jack's mother was so happy to have her son back, Jack was so happy to be home again and the goose was so happy to be free.

'Mum, watch!' said Jack and then asked the goose to, 'Lay an egg, please!' The goose happily laid not one, but two golden eggs. Jack's mother was delighted and they never went hungry again.

