

# The Chicken and the Violin



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Will you be my violin?

No! Help us!

On the table, there is a chicken and a violin. They are special. The chicken gives the giant gold eggs. The violin sings. The giant sleeps. Jack steals the chicken and the violin. The violin shouts.

The giant wakes up. He is mad. Jack goes down the beanstalk. Jack's mom cuts down the beanstalk with an ax.

What should I do, Jack?

Quickly cut down the beanstalk!

Look at that chicken and that violin!

We're rich!

## New Words



special



shout



steal



wake up



down



quickly



ax



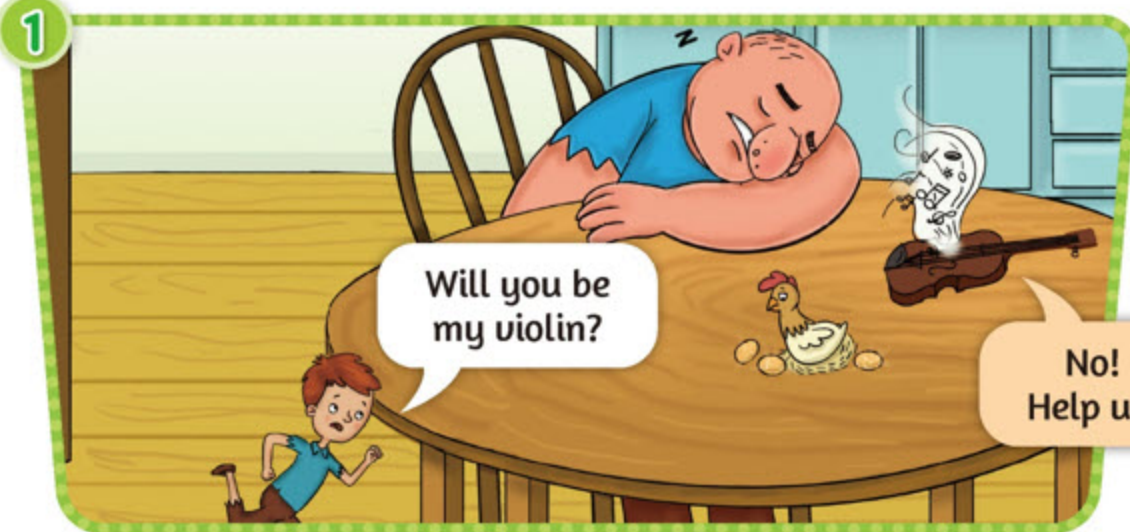
rich



## Key Expressions


Listen and look. Then say.  14

We're = We are



## Role-Play

Role-play with a partner. Change the words.

1.  A: Will you be my violin?

 B: No!



close the door  
No, I won't.




turn off the TV  
Sure.



take out the trash  
Yes, I will.

2.  A: What should I do?

 B: Quickly cut down the beanstalk!




Slowly pour the milk




Carefully touch the screen



Quietly sit and wait

3.  A: Look at that chicken and that violin!

 B: We're rich!



this picture  
dirty



that elephant  
lucky



this volcano and this  
mountain / talented



## Practice

**A** Look and number the pictures in the correct order (1-3).



Video

**B** Watch the acting tip video. Then read and practice.

### Follow Directions

Most plays have acting directions in them. The acting directions are usually in parentheses (...) or italics. Read these to yourself and think about how to follow them. Don't say them aloud.

#### Practice

Say the lines aloud while following the acting directions.



(whispering)

It's a gold egg.



(shouting)

I'll help you!



(surprised)

What should I do?



(laughing)

Look at the beanstalk!

**C** Pretend you are the giant. Say the lines aloud while following the acting directions.

I love my special chicken. I love my special violin.

1.



(singing)

2.



(crying)

**D** Listen to the script. Practice with the video.



Video

#### Characters



Narrator



Jack



Mom



Violin



Chicken



Giant



On the table, there is a chicken and a violin. They are special.



Chicken, give me an egg!



Cluck, cluck! Here is an egg! A gold egg!



Violin, sing me a song!



(singing) You are a great giant. You are tall and strong . . .



The violin sings. Then the giant sleeps.



(quietly) Will you be my chicken? Will you be my violin?



Jack steals the chicken and the violin. The violin shouts.



No! Help us! Giant is our master.



Jack runs out with the chicken and the violin. The giant wakes up. He is mad.



(shouting) Where is my chicken? Where is my violin?



Jack goes down the beanstalk. He shouts to his mom.



Mom! Help!



What should I do, Jack?



Quickly cut down the beanstalk!



Jack's mom cuts down the beanstalk with an ax. CRASH!



Look at that chicken and that violin!



We're rich!

**E** Now read the script aloud. Practice using the acting tip from p. 28.





## Jack and the Beanstalk

### Cast of Characters

Choose a person to play each character.

Roles	Names
Narrator	
Jack	
Mom	
Old Man	
Tall Woman	
Giant	
Violin	
Chicken	

### Performance

1. Highlight your part.
2. Practice several times before performing with your classmates.
3. Make sure you read the directions and use proper voice and expressions.

### Scene 1

**Narrator:** Jack and his mom have a cow. The cow gives them milk.

**Mom:** Jack, can you get the milk and sell it?

**Jack:** Yes, I can . . . Mom! The cow has no milk.

**Mom:** We must sell her.

**Jack:** No! I love her!

**Mom:** Take her to town and sell her.

**Narrator:** Jack goes to town. He meets an old man there.

**Old Man:** What a beautiful cow!

**All:** Wow! A beautiful cow!

**Jack:** Thank you! I'm sad because I must sell her.

**Old Man:** I'll give you five magic seeds for her.

**Jack:** Magic seeds? It's a deal!

**Narrator:** Jack comes home with his five magic seeds. He is happy.

**Jack:** Mom! Look! Magic seeds!

**Mom:** What? Seeds! Oh, Jack! We need gold, not seeds.