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The Foolish Wishes

adapted from a Swedish folktale

An old woodcutter lives with his wife in a little house. They are poor but they are happy together. Every day the man goes into the forest to chop wood. One morning, while working, he meets a fairy.



1. What is the title of the story?

- A) The Three Wishes. B) The Fairy. C) The Wishes. D) The Foolish Wishes

2. The woodcutter and his wife live in

- A) a big flat B) a big house C) a little flat D) a small house

3. Where does the woodcutter meet the fairy?

- A) in the garden B) in the street C) at home D) in the forest

4. Look at the picture. The fairy ... got wings.

- A) are B) is C) has D) hasn't

The woodcutter feels sorry for the fairy. So he helps her.



5. The fairy needs help because

- A) she is lost
- B) the squirrels are hungry
- C) her carriage is broken
- D) she's sick

6. What does the woodcutter do?

- A) He runs away.
- B) He helps the fairy.
- C) He hides in the woods.
- D) He goes home.

7. When someone helps you, you say

- A) You're welcome.
- B) Thank you.
- C) My pleasure.
- D) No problem.

8. A wheel has the shape of a

- A) triangle
- B) star
- C) circle
- D) square

The man repairs the small carriage. Then he goes straight home to his wife.



9. The woman is sad because

- A) it's raining
- B) they are poor
- C) her husband is home
- D) the garden is dirty

10. The man tells his wife

- A) to relax
- B) to go to bed
- C) to have dinner
- D) to worry

11. Look at the picture. Where are the man and the woman now?

- A) In the forest.
- B) Inside the house.
- C) In the garden.
- D) In the street.

12. Look at the picture. The woman is holding a broomstick in ... hands.

- A) his
- B) she's
- C) her
- D) its

The woodcutter is very excited. He begins to tell his wife about the fairy.



13. How does the woodcutter feel?

- A) He's very happy.
- B) He's very sad.
- C) He's tired.
- D) He's angry.

14. The woman ... the man is lying.

- A) thinks
- B) tells
- C) likes
- D) wants

15. Look at the woodcutter. What is he wearing?

- A) a T-shirt, shorts and a cap
- B) a skirt, trousers and a hat
- C) trousers, boots and a hat
- D) a sweater, shorts and shoes

16. What animals are there in the picture?

- A) a cat and a bird
- B) a dog and two squirrels
- C) a dog and a cat
- D) a cat and a hen

The woman is very hungry.



Some sausages fall into the pot through the chimney. They're so happy.

17. The old woman makes her first wish. What does she wish for?

- A) a pot B) clothes
C) a castle D) sausages

18. What vegetables are there in the picture?

- A) carrots and onions B) peppers and onions
C) peppers and garlic D) mushrooms and garlic

19. Does the first wish come true?

- A) Yes, she does. B) No, it doesn't.
C) Yes, it is. D) Yes, it does

20. Which picture shows a "pot"?



The woodcutter tries to lift the pot. It is very hot and he drops it. The sausages fall into the fire.



21. Why does the man drop the pot?

- A) Because the pot is too hot.
- C) Because he's very sleepy.

- B) Because the pot is too cold.
- D) Because he's very hungry

22. The opposite of "hot" is

- A) warm
- B) sweet
- C) cold
- D) dirty

23. Look at the picture. The woman is

- A) very tired
- C) very happy
- B) very angry
- D) very bored

24. You say "I'm sorry!" when

- A) you like something
- C) you give something
- B) you regret something
- D) you greet someone

Suddenly, the sausages are stuck to the poor man's nose. He begins to cry. The woodcutter and his wife try hard to remove the sausages. They pull and pull but they just can't remove them.



But they only have one wish left. What shall it be?

25. The woman makes a second wish. What happens to the sausages?

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| A) They disappear. | B) They fall on the floor. |
| C) They get stuck to the man's nose. | D) They become bigger. |

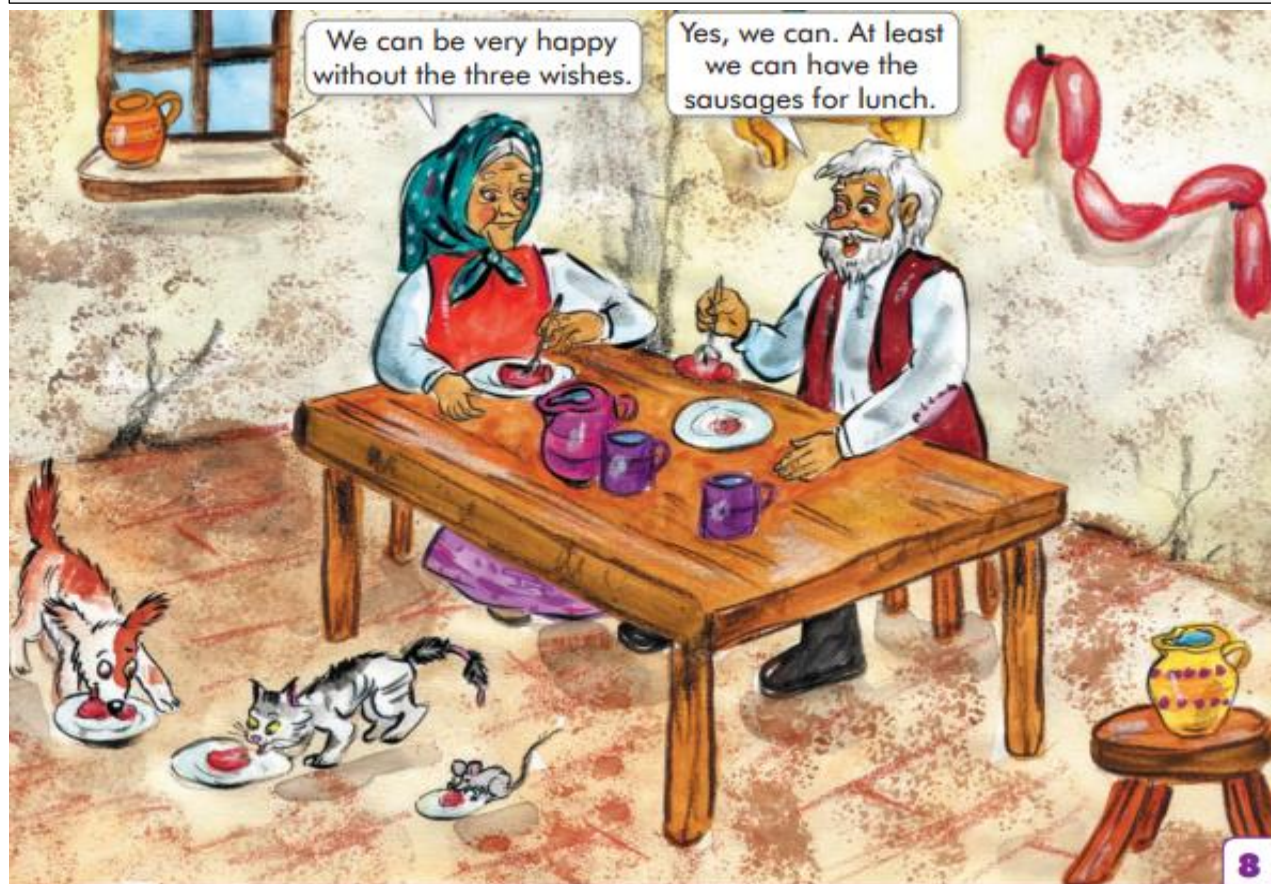
26. Look at the picture. What does the woman dream about?

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| A) children and money | B) a lot of sausages |
| C) a house, animals and money | D) two horses and a cow |

27. Look at the picture and choose the false sentence.

- A)** There are nine animals in the room.
- B)** The man has a white beard.
- C)** The woman is old.
- D)** There's a blue bowl at the window

The woman feels sorry for her husband. So she uses the third wish to remove the sausages.



28. Look at the people in the picture. ... having the sausages for lunch.

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| A) They | B) Their |
| C) They're | D) We're |

29. Fill in the missing letter for each word.

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| 1. F | a. _ISH |
| 2. N | b. _AUSAGES |
| 3. W | c. _AIRY |
| 4. S | d. _OSE |

- A) 1a/ 2c/ 3d/ 4b
C) 1c/ 2d/ 3a/ 4b

- B) 1d/ 2c/ 3a/ 4b
D) 1c/ 2a/ 3d/ 4b

30. What can we learn from the story?

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| A) Fairies never really help. | B) Sausages are not good for you. |
| C) Be careful what you wish for. | D) Pets like sausages. |