

# A Gift for the Fairy

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Once upon a time, in a beautiful forest, there lived a little fairy who loved to give gifts. She gave little oysters, decorated shells, rare flowers and delicious fruits to all the forest folk. She was a jolly little fairy and



Dear Parents and Teachers,  
Read out this story to the little ones with suitable gestures and voice modulation so that they listen to you with rapt attention.

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everybody adored her! So, when it was her birthday, everyone in the forest wanted to give her a nice little present.

They thought and thought for a long time. "Shall we give her a pair of new shoes?" suggested Sunny sparrow. "Oh! But she has so many of them already. And her feet are so tiny that it will take us a whole week to get them right," said Bashi bear.

"Why not give her a nice big

jar of honey instead," he said. He loved honey, and never wanted anything else. But then, he did not know if the fairy liked honey.

"What about a nice frock!" shouted Bunny rabbit excitedly. She loved new clothes. But then, fairy godmother was giving the fairy a beautiful blue frock. Oh! What should they give!

Mittu monkey suddenly exclaimed "I know! I have a beautiful necklace made of blue beads! It would be a perfect match for the dress. Let's go and get it." So off went Sunny, Bunny, Bashi and Mittu to Mittu's house.

Mittu ran inside to fetch it. But Oh! No! Where was it? The friends searched and searched but they could not find it anywhere. And it would soon be dark!

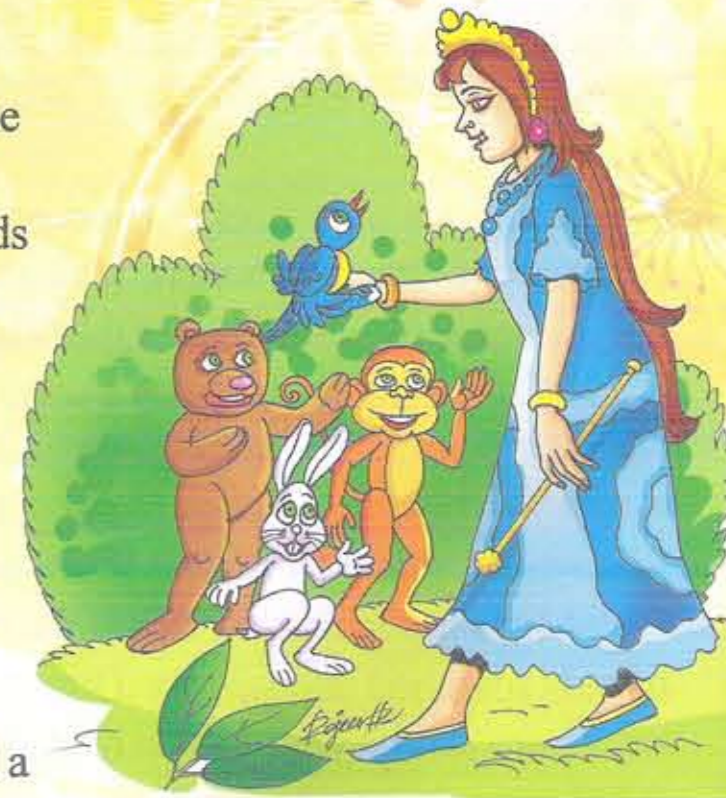
What were they to do?

Just then Sittu squirrel came by. "What happened?" she asked and when the friends told her, she said, "Go and ask Mr. Ramsy, the owl for help. Owls can see in the dark and what more! They are one of the birds that can see the colour blue!"

So the friends rushed to Mr. Owl. He was more than happy to help. He liked the fairy too. So,

he searched all around the house and the tree. Finally, he spotted something blue near the roots of a tree! The friends looked closer, and lo and behold! It was the bead necklace!

The friends thanked Mr. Owl and rushed to the fairy. The fairy loved the blue-beaded necklace! She was so glad that she got a present! And all of them had a lovely party! ●



## Morphing

A hot air balloon is changed into a circus elephant by just adding a few lines. Try to morph objects or animals in this way.

