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Do you know what a soldier is?
Sometimes long ago, people in one state
or country had a big fight, or war,
with people from another state or
country.

Remember that a long time ago the
most common way to get from place
to place was to walk.



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During wars, it was common to have soldiers wandering around in small groups--perhaps walking home after a long war, perhaps lost and separated from the rest of the army. Without money or supplies, soldiers had to rely on townspeople for food.



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You are going to hear a story
about some soldiers long ago who
came to a town looking for food.
Would you give food to soldiers
who came looking for food?
Why or why not?



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Three soldiers--Henry, George, and Lucas--were marching home from the war. They had been marching for many days, and they expected to march many more before they finally made it home. They were cold and tired, but most of all, they were hungry.



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The three soldiers marched toward the town, holding their stomachs and hanging their heads because they were so hungry. They didn't know it, but a little girl saw them coming. She turned and ran to the blacksmith's shop. She banged on his door.



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What does a blacksmith do?

“Blacksmith, Blacksmith,” she said. “Three soldiers are coming. They look hungry. We must offer them food.”



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The blacksmith didn't turn his head. He continued pounding on the big iron pot he was making. "I have no time to be offering food to hungry soldiers. I must get this pot finished, or I will not get paid. If I do not get paid, I cannot buy food, and my family and I will be hungrier than those soldiers."



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"If you say so," said the girl. Then she ran to the carpenter's shop and banged on the door.

What does a carpenter do?

"Carpenter, Carpenter," she said. "Three soldiers are coming. They look hungry. We must offer them food."



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The carpenter didn't turn his head.
He continued staring at the level he
had just placed on top of a table.

A level is a tool used to measure if
something is straight and even.



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"Hungry soldiers," he said, without much sympathy. The carpenter did not feel sorry for the soldiers.

"I have no time to be offering food to three hungry soldiers. I must get this table done, or I will not get paid, and then I will not have enough food to feed my family."



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Then she turned and banged on
the baker's door.

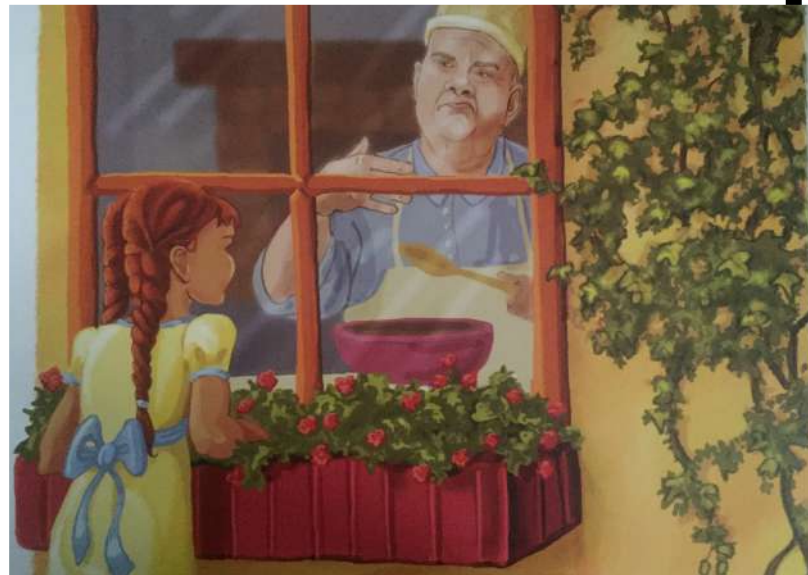
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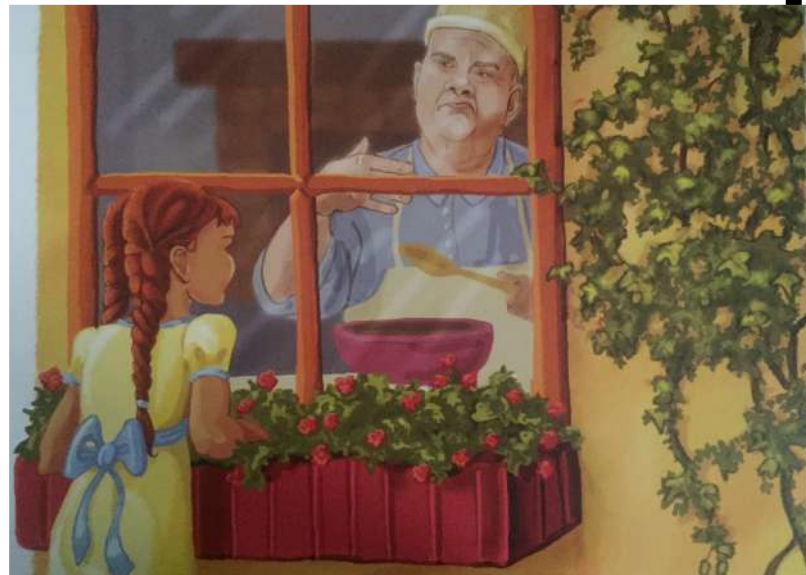
"Baker, Baker," she said. "Three soldiers are coming. They look hungry. We must offer them food."

The baker didn't turn his head. He continued pulling fresh loaves of bread out of his oven.



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"Humph," he said. "I suppose you think I'm going to give those three soldiers some of my fresh bread. I will sell it to them, but I will not give it away for nothing. I must eat, too, you know."



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The girl went from shop to shop to shop. She asked everyone in town if they could feed three hungry soldiers. But they were all too busy doing their own jobs to offer any help. They told the girl that they did not have enough to feed their own families, let alone three soldiers.



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Finally, Henry, George, and Lucas stumbled into the town square. They were colder, more tired, and hungrier than ever. They looked around. Nobody had come out to see them.

“Hello,” said the girl, who had been watching the soldiers from across the town square.



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The three soldiers turned.

“Aha,” said Lucas. “Are you the welcoming committee?”

Lucas is making a joke, because a committee is a group of people, and the girl is all alone. The soldiers hoped more than one person would come out to help them.



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"I am sorry," said the girl. "Everyone in town is very busy right now with their own work. They cannot feed you."

"Well, then," said Lucas. "We shall have to feed ourselves." He reached down to the ground and picked up a large stone near his feet. "We shall make Stone Soup. We make it all the time where I come from."



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"Stone Soup?" asked the girl. "But you can't make soup from nothing but stones."

"Of course you can," said Lucas. "Stone Soup is the best soup in the world, and the best part is that all we need to make it are three large stones and a large pot of water."



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What would happen if they put stones in a pot of hot water? Would it make soup? What would it taste like?

"Here's a stone," said George.
"And here's another," said Henry.
"Perfect," said Lucas. "Then if we could just find a large iron pot, we could make the soup ourselves, and we wouldn't bother anyone."



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"I know where we can get a pot," said the girl. She ran to the blacksmith's shop. But she didn't even have to knock. The blacksmith had been listening through his door.



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"I am curious about this Stone Soup," he said. "I'll lend you a pot." He and the girl carried it out to the town square.

Why did the blacksmith give the soldiers a pot when he said he wouldn't help them before?



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“Excellent,” said Lucas. “Now, we just need to fill this pot with water, and we’ll start our Stone Soup cooking. We won’t have to bother anyone else.”

Several people popped out of their houses and shops carrying buckets of water. They dumped the water into the pot.



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The carpenter popped out of his shop. "Do you need some firewood?" he asked. He carried an armload of wood to the square and began building a fire.

How did the carpenter help the soldiers?



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George, Henry, and the girl each dropped a stone into the pot. Everyone stood watching Lucas stir the soup.



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“Mmmm,” said Lucas. “It already smells so delicious. And we really don’t need anything else. But...”

Do you think it would taste delicious right now?



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"This Stone Soup looks a tad thin," said Lucas. "Stone Soup is best when it has a bit of barley and some meat in it."

"I have some barley," said the baker, popping out of his shop. + brought a bowl full of barley and tossed it into the soup.



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"I have a side of beef that I just chopped up," said the butcher. He came out with a plate piled high with cubes of beef and dropped it into the pot.

"Ah," said Lucas, stirring and sniffing. "The soup looks much better now. But, oh dear..."



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"What?" asked the townspeople.

"This Stone Soup would be even better with a little onion and a bit of salt."

The grocer, or storekeeper who sells food brought onions and salt. Other townspeople turned up carrying a few items from their homes.



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The brought potatoes, turnips, carrots, and celery. All of these were chopped up and tossed in the pot.

Now do you think the soup would taste good? Why or why not?



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“Excellent,” said Lucas. He stirred, sniffed, and then took a little taste. He stood up straight. All the townspeople watched and waited. Finally, Lucas said, “It is perfect.” The townspeople sighed with pleasure.



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“Except,” said Lucas. “I forgot one very important thing.”

“What? What? What?” the townspeople asked.



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“Stone Soup is best when it is shared.”

Why do you think the soldiers choose to share their soup?



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The townspeople cheered.
They brought out bowls and
cups and spoons. They
brought out fresh apple cider,
loaves of crusty bread, and
fig pies. They talked and
laughed with the soldiers and
ate and ate and ate.



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They ate every last bit of Stone Soup...all except the three stones, which sat at the bottom of the pot.

“Thank you for teaching us to make Stone Soup,” said the girl.



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She peered or looked or stared into the pot. “But the stones are still there. Why didn’t they get cooked into the soup?”

“That’s odd,” said Lucas.



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He winked at the girl and whispered, "Perhaps you were right in the first place. Perhaps you can't make soup from stones after all."

Was the girl right after all?
Which ingredients made the pot of water into soup?



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With their stomach full and spirits or moods raised, the three soldiers waved goodbye to the little girl and townspeople, and they continued on their long march home.



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Comprehension Questions:

Literal

PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Who was the only townspeople who wanted to feed the soldiers?

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Comprehension Questions:

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PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Who supplied the iron pot?

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Comprehension Questions:

Literal

PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Who brought wood for the fire?

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Literal

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COMPLETE sentences.

What ingredients went into the soup?

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Literal

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COMPLETE sentences.

Who ate the stone soup?

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Comprehension Questions:

Inferential

PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Why did the other tradespeople say they wouldn't help feed the soldiers at first?

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Comprehension Questions:

Inferential

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COMPLETE sentences.

Why did the townspeople start bringing food to the soldiers when they said they wouldn't before?

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Comprehension Questions:

Inferential

PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Why were the stones left in the pot?

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Comprehension Questions:

Evaluative

PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Do you think stones and water alone could have made soup? Why not?

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Comprehension Questions:

Evaluative

PLEASE answer in
COMPLETE sentences.

Could this story really happen, or is it make-believe? How do you know? When did this story take place, a long time ago or modern day?

Think Pair. Share.



I'm going to ask you a question. I will give you a minute to think about the question, and then I will ask you to turn to your neighbor and discuss the question. Finally I will call on several of you to share what you discussed with your partner.

Think Pair. Share.

Evaluative:



Did the townspeople know that stones and water alone would not make soup? Did the soldiers know? Did the girl know? How did she figure it out?

Word Work

Explicit Vocabulary Instruction

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In the read aloud you heard the carpenter say, "Hungry soldiers,
without much **sympathy**."

Say the word **sympathy** with me.
Whisper sympathy to the ceiling.
Whisper sympathy to your neighbor.
Let's clap it out.

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When you have **Sympathy** for someone, you feel sorry for them.

When I see someone get hurt, I have sympathy for them.

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Tell me about a time when you had sympathy for someone or someone had sympathy for you. Use the word sympathy when you tell about it.

“I had sympathy for _____ when ...”

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*What's the word we have been talking
about?*

Let's clap it out.

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I am going to mention some scenarios.
If I say something that would make
someone feel sympathy, thumbs up. If
you wouldn't feel sympathy, thumbs
down.

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*A cat got stuck up in a tree and
couldn't get down.*

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A boy won a running race.

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A frog jumped on a rock.

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A girl lost her favorite doll.

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A man ate dinner.