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Jack lived with his mother and they were very poor. Jack went to market to sell their cow, but exchanged it for some magic beans. His mother was angry and threw them out the window. Next morning a giant plant was growing up into the sky.



Jack climbed up into the clouds where there was a magic land.

He saw a huge castle and so went there. The castle belonged to a giant, who was out hunting.

The giant's wife let Jack come in, and when the giant came home she hid Jack.



After dinner the giant brought out a hen that laid a golden egg.

When the giant fell asleep Jack stole the hen and went back home.

For a while Jack and his mother were happy as they had money, but then Jack decided to go back up the beanstalk. He returned to the giant's castle and this time when the giant fell asleep Jack stole two bags of money. When he got home his mother was ill, but cheered up when she saw him.

Again they were happy for a while and again Jack decided to go back up the beanstalk. This time the giant got out a magic harp after dinner, which played beautiful music all by itself. When the giant fell asleep Jack stole the harp, but the harp woke the giant, who started chasing Jack.

Jack raced back down the beanstalk, took an axe, and as the giant was climbing down he chopped it down. The giant fell all the way to the ground and was killed. And Jack and his mother lived happily ever after.

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