Jack and the Beanstalk

Complete the sentences using the words from the text boxes.

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<th>plant</th>
<th>castle</th>
<th>coins</th>
<th>hen</th>
<th>harp</th>
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<td>seeds</td>
<td>clouds</td>
<td>magic</td>
<td>gold</td>
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<td>widow</td>
<td>cow</td>
<td>beans</td>
<td>beanstalk</td>
<td>giant</td>
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1. The giant lived in a ____________.
2. The beanstalk went all the way up to the ____________.
3. Jack stole a bag of gold ____________ from the giant.
4. The giant had a ____________ that laid golden eggs.
5. Jack’s mother was a poor ____________.
6. Jack traded the family ____________ for some beans.
7. The ____________ were magic.
8. The giant had a ____________ that played by itself.
9. The eggs and the harp were both ____________.
10. At the top of the beanstalk lived a ____________.
11. The bag Jack stole was full of ____________.
12. The beans weren’t ordinary! They were ____________.
13. Jack’s mother threw the ____________ out the window.
14. Jack climbed up the ____________.
15. A beanstalk is a kind of ____________.
Read each of the sentences below. Circle yes or no.

1. Jack traded the family cow for a beanstalk.   
   yes  no

2. Jack’s mother was very happy about his trade.   
   yes  no

3. The beanstalk grew overnight.   
   yes  no

4. Jack’s mother climbed up the beanstalk.   
   yes  no

5. The giant gave Jack three presents.   
   yes  no

6. Jack took a bag of gold from the giant.   
   yes  no

7. The giant chased Jack down the beanstalk.   
   yes  no

8. Jack and his mother had plenty of money and lived happily ever after.   
   yes  no
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Put the events from the story in order.

____ He saw a giant’s castle at the top of the beanstalk.
____ He took a hen that laid golden eggs from the giant.
____ He took a harp that played by itself.
____ Jack lived with his mother, a poor widow.
____ Jack took the cow to sell it.
____ Jack traded the cow for magic beans.
____ Jack climbed the beanstalk.
____ Jack took a bag of money from the giant.
____ Jack went up the beanstalk a second time.
____ Jack went up the beanstalk a third time.
____ Jack chopped down the beanstalk.
____ Jack and his mother had plenty of money.
____ Jack’s mother was angry about the trade.
____ She threw the beans out of the window.
____ The beans grew into a giant beanstalk overnight.
____ The beanstalk stretched up to the clouds.
____ The giant chased Jack down the beanstalk.
____ They lived happily ever after.
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Art and Writing Activity

Draw a picture of your favorite part of the story. Write what happens in that part of the story.
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Answers

NOTE: This lesson was based on the text by Joseph Jacobs. Many other versions of the story exist. This lesson should work with the majority of the stories, but please check to be sure.

NOTE: The clip art in this lesson is available for members of abcteach.com

Page 1: Cloze Exercise
1. castle
2. clouds
3. coins
4. hen
5. widow
6. cow
7. beans
8. harp
9. golden
10. giant
11. gold
12. magic
13. beans
14. beanstalk
15. plant

Page 2: Comprehension
1. yes
2. no
3. yes
4. no
5. no
6. yes
7. yes
8. yes

Page 3: Story Sequencing
1. Jack lived with his mother, a poor widow.
2. Jack took the cow to sell it.
3. Jack traded the cow for magic beans.
4. Jack’s mother was angry about the trade.
5. She threw the beans out of the window.
6. The beans grew into a giant beanstalk overnight.
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10. Jack took a bag of money from the giant.
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13. Jack went up the beanstalk a third time.
14. He took a harp that played by itself.
15. The giant chased Jack down the beanstalk.
17. Jack and his mother had plenty of money.
18. They lived happily ever after.

Page 4: Art and Writing Activity