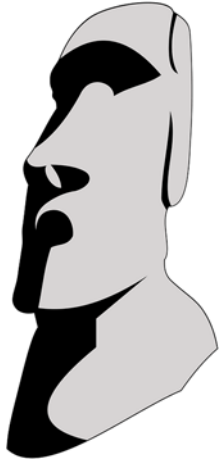


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## The Mysterious Stone Statue

In the small town of Stoneville, there was a legend about a mysterious stone statue. The statue stood in the middle of the town square, and it was said to have magical powers. Every spring, during the town's festival, the statue would glow with a soft, blue light.

One spring, siblings Stella and Stanley decided to investigate the mystery of the stone statue. They were curious and loved solving puzzles. With their trusty flashlight and a notebook to jot down clues, they set off on their adventure.

As they approached the statue, they noticed something strange. The statue had a small, star-shaped indentation on its base. "Look at this, Stella," Stanley said. "Maybe we need to find something that fits into this star shape."

"Let's start looking around," Stella replied. They searched the nearby flower beds, benches, and even the fountain, but found nothing. Just then, Stanley spotted something sparkling under a bush. He reached down and pulled out a small, star-shaped stone. "This must be it!" he exclaimed.

Excitedly, they hurried back to the statue and placed the star-shaped stone into the indentation. The statue began to glow with a soft, blue light, just like the legend said. Suddenly, a hidden compartment in the statue opened, revealing a scroll.

Stella carefully unrolled the scroll and read aloud, "To those who seek the statue's light, follow the path where stars are bright. A treasure awaits where the spring flowers bloom, under the light of the full moon."

"We need to follow the path with the star decorations!" Stanley said, pointing to a trail lined with star-shaped lanterns.

They followed the path through the park, which was filled with blooming flowers and the sweet scent of spring. At the end of the path, they found a small garden bathed in moonlight. In the center of the garden was a stone chest.

Using the key from the scroll, they unlocked the chest and discovered a beautiful collection of gemstones and a note. The note read, "Congratulations, Stella and Stanley! You have uncovered the secret of the stone statue. These gems are a gift for your bravery and curiosity."

Stella and Stanley were thrilled with their discovery. They took the gemstones back to town, where the townspeople celebrated their success. The mystery of the stone statue had been solved, and Stoneville was filled with excitement and wonder.

