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## The Magical Shrubbery



In a cozy little garden, there was a magical shrubbery. The shrubbery was special because it could talk and tell stories. The children in the neighborhood loved to visit it after school. One day, Sam and Jen decided to visit the shrubbery to hear a new story.

"Hello, children!" said the shrubbery with a bright smile. "Today, I'll tell you about a thrilling adventure." Sam and Jen sat down eagerly. The shrubbery began, "Once upon a time, in a faraway land, there was a brave knight named Rick. He lived in a grand castle with a thick moat around it. One day, Rick heard about a dragon causing trouble in the nearby village. He knew he had to help."

Rick packed his sack and rode his black horse through the thick forest. As he traveled, he saw many things. There was a flock of birds singing in the sky, a stream flowing with sparkling water, and a group of sheep grazing on the green grass.

Finally, Rick reached the village and saw the dragon. The dragon had red scales and sharp claws, but Rick was not afraid. He took a deep breath and approached the dragon. "Why are you causing trouble?" Rick asked. The dragon replied, "I'm not trying to cause trouble. I'm just looking for my lost treasure."

Rick decided to help the dragon find its treasure. They searched through the forest and by the stream. Finally, they found a chest hidden under a big rock. The dragon was so happy and promised never to cause trouble again.

The village was safe, and Rick became a hero. He returned to his castle and lived happily ever after. The end." Sam and Jen clapped their hands in excitement. "Thank you, shrubbery! That was an amazing story," they said. "You're welcome, children," said the shrubbery. "Come back tomorrow for another adventure!"

