

There's a Beanstalk in Your House

Interactive storytelling for children aged 5-11

Have you heard the story about Jack, their beanstalk and the ginormous giant? Discover what it's like to be the giant and learn how to grow your very own magic beanstalk at home.

Activity 1: Meet the giant

Story Builder Minnie has a particularly large and unusual house guest staying with her at the moment. Can you guess who it is? Watch the video to hear the story of Jack and the Beanstalk like you've never heard it been told before - <https://bit.ly/2Zo4cOI>

Wouldn't it be fun to be a giant for a moment? Try moving like a giant. Do giants stomp about or tiptoe around? How do giants sound? If there are other giants in your house, say hello to them.

Activity 2: Retell a story from a different character's point of view

You've now heard the giant's version of Jack and the Beanstalk. Can you think of other fairy tales you could retell from a different character's point of view? For example, how would the Wolf tell the story of the Three Little Pigs? What would the Three Bears say about Goldilocks? Or how does the troll feel in The Three Billy Goats Gruff?

Once you've imagined their story it's time to write it down, act it out or tell it to your friends and family. You can make it as short or as long as you like.

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Activity 3: Grow your own beanstalk

Join Minnie as she goes on the hunt for hidden beanstalks in her house and learn how to make your own magic beanstalk out of objects you'll find round the home. Watch Minnie here - <https://bit.ly/2CJKGEG>

We'd love to see what you've made

All the characters who live at Discover are getting bored as there are no children with amazing imagination visiting them. They have told each other all the stories they can think of and now they're starting to fall asleep. To help wake up their imagination, you can send them pictures and drawings of what you've created in this activity at home. Please ask your grown-up to email your pictures and drawings to education@discover.org.uk.