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## 穿靴子的猫

查理·皮罗特（1628～1703年）撰写了很多神话故事。他出生于法国。《穿靴子的猫》一书描述的并不是一只普通的猫，它聪明非凡！它的主人是一个没有钱的年轻人。猫到了国王那里，使国王相信它的主人是很富有的。最后，这个年轻人同国王的女儿结婚了。

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# Puss in Boots

Charles Perrault

**Charles Perrault** (1628-1703) wrote fairy tales. He was born in France. *Puss in Boots* is no ordinary cat. It is very intelligent! Its master is a young man with no money. Puss goes to the king and convinces him that the young man is rich. The young man marries the king's daughter.

## VERY EASY READERS

ARE STORIES THAT ALL CHILDREN KNOW AND LOVE.

THEY ARE WRITTEN IN AN EASY ENGLISH.

THE ACTIVITIES AND GAMES MAKE THE BOOKS  
GOOD FUN TOO!

# Puss IN Boots

An old miller<sup>1</sup> lived with his three sons in an old mill<sup>2</sup> near a river. He was a happy man. He liked his work and he liked fishing. The miller had three things. The mill, a mule<sup>3</sup> and a cat. The mill was his home and where he worked. He made the best flour in the county. The mule carried<sup>4</sup> the big sacks of flour to the villages. The cat caught<sup>5</sup> mice<sup>6</sup>. When the miller died, the three things went to his three sons.



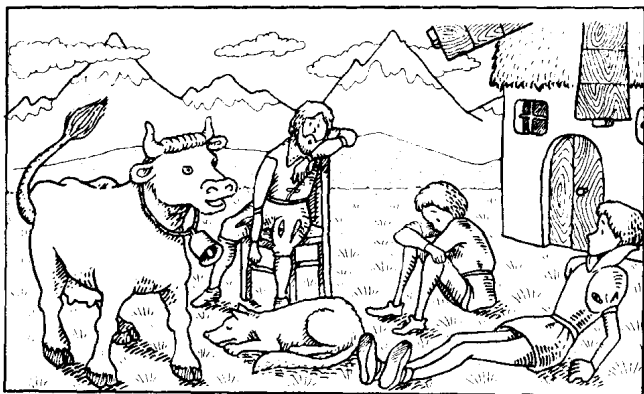
1. **miller**: the man who makes flour.
2. **mill**: where they make flour.
3. **mule**: an animals similar but smaller than a horse.
4. **to carry**: to take.
5. **to catch, caught**: to capture.
6. **mice**: is the plural of mouse.



## ACTIVITY



**What's wrong? Where is the picture different to the text?**



**Write sentences like this, using these words:**

cow   dog   sons   mountains   sad

The miller had a cat not a dog.....

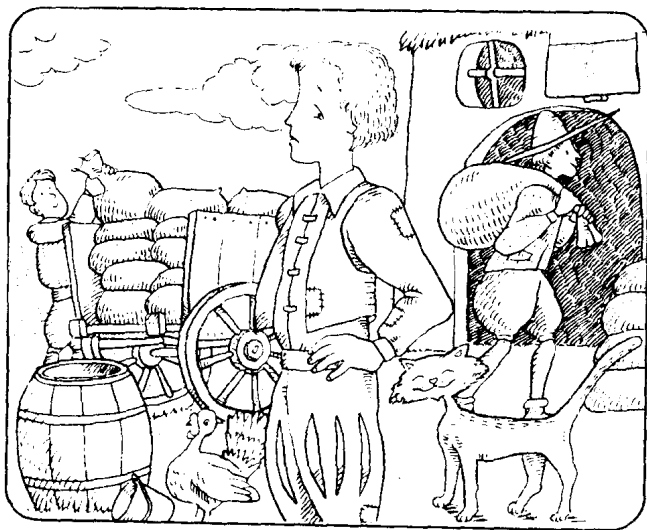
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"A cat? Is a cat all I have?", shouted the youngest man. Three men sat at a table. The oldest<sup>1</sup> son was fat and very happy. The second son was tall and thin. The youngest<sup>2</sup> son was very angry. "I am the oldest, I have the mill", said one man. "I am the second son. I have the mule", said another<sup>3</sup> man. "You are the youngest, dear brother, you have the cat". "I can't work with a cat. I can eat it. "That's all!<sup>4</sup> "



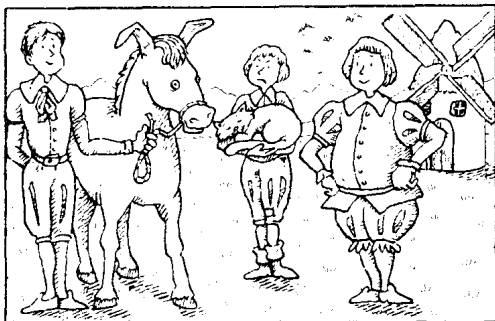
1. **oldest**: superlative of old.
2. **youngest**: superlative of young.
3. **another**: a different man.
4. **that's all**: nothing more.

## ACTIVITY



**Draw a line to correct superlative and write the sentence.**

youngest  
oldest  
fattest  
thinnest  
happiest  
angriest



He is the youngest.

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**What have they got?**

The fattest has got a

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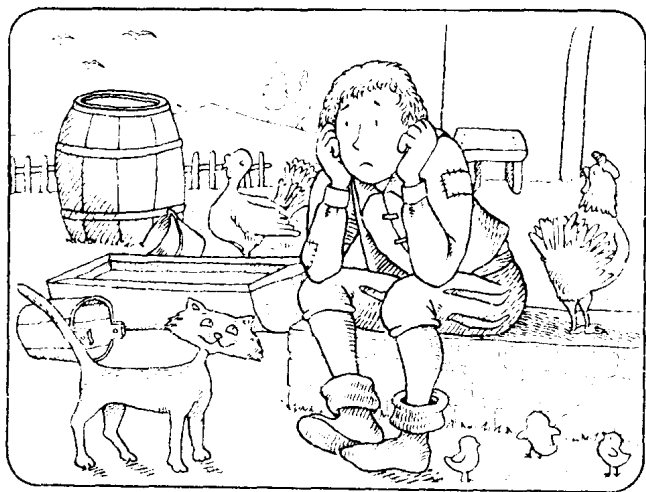
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"Eat me", said the cat. "He can't eat a beautiful, intelligent, modest cat like me! I'm good at catching mice. I'm better than an old mill or a stupid mule!" The cat was very offended<sup>1</sup>. "I am only a cat", it said to its new owner. "But I'm a very clever and smart<sup>2</sup> cat! Find me<sup>3</sup> a strong sack and a pair of boots. I will show you what I can do! I will make your fortune", the cat said. "Give me the chance<sup>4</sup> and I will make you a V.I.P! You will not regret<sup>5</sup> having a cat!"



1. **offended:** a little angry.
2. **clever / smart:** intelligent, bright.
3. **find me:** bring me.
4. **chance:** opportunity.
5. **regret:** sorry.

## ACTIVITY



What am I? Write the correct word.

offended-clever-stupid-strong-intelligent-angry



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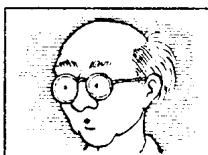
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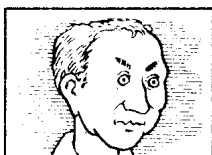
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Write sentences like this.

He's offended, he isn't stupid.....

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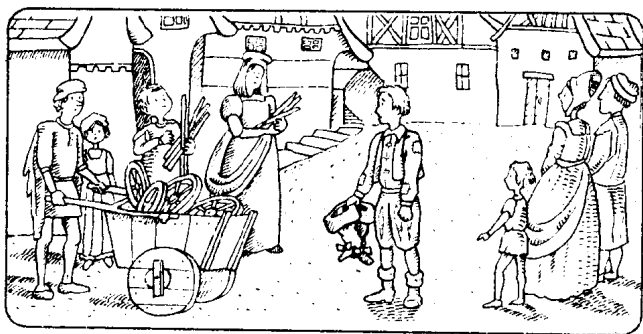
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The young man looked at the cat. "A sack is easy<sup>1</sup> to find but boots cost a lot of money and I have very little<sup>2</sup>", he thought. "Can I trust a cat? Cats are very changeable!" But the young men decided to give the cat a chance. He went to the shoemaker<sup>3</sup>. "I'd like a pair<sup>4</sup> of boots". "What colour?", asked the shoemaker. "Black". "What size?<sup>5</sup> " "Oh, very small, they're for my cat. A pair of long boots", said the young man. The shoemaker wasn't surprised, he often made boots and shoes for cats, dogs and other pets<sup>6</sup>.



1. **easy:** not difficult.
2. **very little:** not much money.
3. **shoemaker:** the person who makes shoes.
4. **a pair:** two.
5. **size:** measure.
6. **a pet:** an animal that lives in the house.

# ACTIVITY

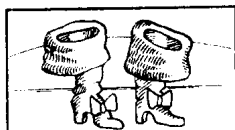


Write sentences like these.

"I'd like a pair of boots".....

"What size?".....

"Size eight".....

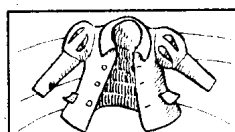


boots size 8

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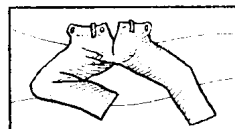


jacket size 44

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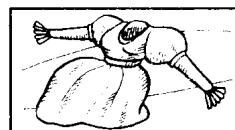


trousers size 46

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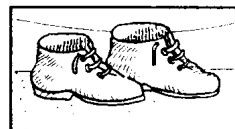


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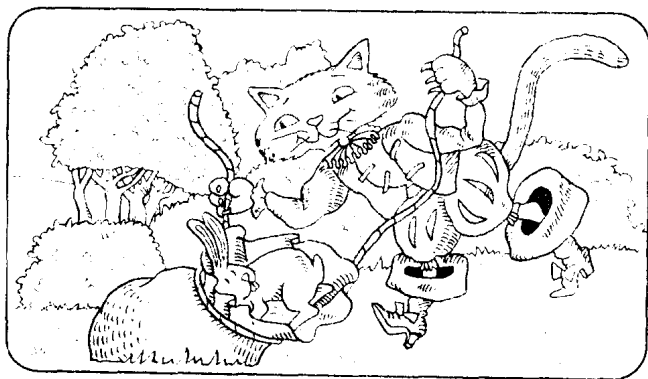
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shoes size 4

The young man went back home. "Here are your boots", said the young man. "Do they fit? <sup>1</sup>". The cat put them on. "Yes they fit perfectly". "And here is the sack". The cat took the sack and went to the rabbit hutches <sup>2</sup>. It opened the sack and put in some fresh green leaves <sup>3</sup>. "Rabbits love leaves", thought the cat. Then it lay <sup>4</sup> down very, very still <sup>5</sup>. A young rabbit came near the sack. SNIFF, SNIFF, SNIFF <sup>6</sup>. Into the sack it went. Up jumped the cat and closed the sack. "Got you! <sup>7</sup>", said the cat.



1. **to fit:** to be the correct size.
2. **hutch:** where rabbits live.
3. **leaves:** they grow on trees.
4. **to lie, lay:** to be down on the ground.
5. **still:** not moving.
6. **to sniff:** to smell with your nose.
7. **got you:** captured you.



## ACTIVITY



**Answer the questions.**

What did the young man give the cat?

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What did the cat do with the boots?

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Where did it go?

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What did the cat put in the sack?

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What went into the sack?

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What did the cat do with the sack?

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