

## Which is Better?



Once upon a time, there was a man who had three sons, and all of them loved the same girl. Each of them asked the girl the same question: “Will you marry me?” The boys were intelligent, handsome, generous and strong. The girl was very pretty and had a sense of humor. The girl liked each of the three young men and could not decide which of them was the best.

One day the father said them “Here is some money for you. You will go on a long travel. While you are travelling, you must search for a very useful thing. When you find it, you will buy it and bring it home.

The three brothers travelled for a long time, and they bought three very useful things.

The first young man bought a magic carpet. He could fly to any places in no time on the carpet. The second brother bought a magic looking-glass. When

he looked into it, he could see anyone and everything that he wanted to see. The third bought a magic lemon. The juice of that lemon could make a dying man or a woman well again.

The three brothers came together and showed their things to one another. Then one of them said, "We are far from our home and from our dear girl. Let us look into the looking-glass and see her."

The second brother took out his looking-glass, and they all looked into it. They saw that the girl was very, very ill. Then the first brother asked the other brothers to sit down on his carpet, and all of them were at the girl's house in no time. The third brother cut his lemon and gave the juice to the girl. The girl drank it, and she was well again.

The young men were very happy. "Now which of us will you marry?" they asked the girl.

"I thank you all, my dear friends," answered the girl. "One of the brothers saw me in his looking-glass, and that helped to save my life. His looking-glass is a very useful thing, and he will have it forever. Another brother brought all three of you here on his carpet, and that helped to save me, too. It is also a very useful thing, and he will have it forever. And one of you gave me the lemon juice, and now I am well again. But he has no lemon now. He gave all he had to save me. I will be his wife". And the other two brothers said, "Yes, the girl is right".

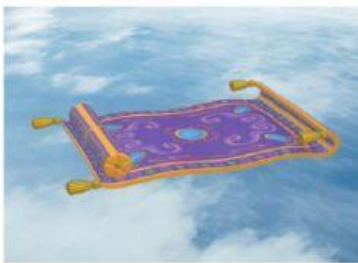
### **Answer the questions**

1. How many sons had the man?
2. Which of them did the girl like?
3. What did father give his sons? Why?
4. What did they buy?
5. What did they see in the looking-glass?
6. What did they do to save the girl?
7. Which of the brothers did the girl choose? Why?



## Match the words with pictures

search for generous cut travelling intelligent strong  
sit down a sense of humour looking-glass carpet



### Complete the sentences with the word

searched for generous sit down travelling strong cut  
intelligent a sense of humour carpet looking-glass

1. There was a \_\_\_\_\_ wind on that day.
2. The \_\_\_\_\_ is big enough to cover the whole floor.
3. She saw herself in the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. Just \_\_\_\_\_ and relax.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ the cake with the knife.
6. The dolphin is an \_\_\_\_\_ animal.
7. My aunt is \_\_\_\_\_ and gave us a lot of presents.
8. Tom is a good-looking guy with a good \_\_\_\_\_.
9. I like \_\_\_\_\_ by train.
10. The police \_\_\_\_\_ the lost boy.

### Guess the word

1. A person who likes jokes has a \_\_\_\_\_.
2. If you want to make a salad \_\_\_\_\_ tomatoes.
3. When I brush my hair, I look at the \_\_\_\_\_.
4. I am very tired, I need to \_\_\_\_\_.
5. Monkey is an \_\_\_\_\_ animal. It can imitate other people.
6. My brothers always \_\_\_\_\_ their socks in the morning.
7. I like giving presents to my friends. I am very \_\_\_\_\_.
8. There is a \_\_\_\_\_ next to the door.
9. Our baseball team is very \_\_\_\_\_.
10. Nowadays \_\_\_\_\_ costs a lot of money.

### Read and choose True False

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| 1. The man had two sons and a daughter.                       | True False |
| 2. The boys were intelligent and handsome. .                  | True False |
| 3. The father gave some money for his sons. .                 | True False |
| 4. Three boys bought expensive things. .                      | True False |
| 5. The girl was very ill. .                                   | True False |
| 6. The girl married the first brother who had a magic carpet. | True False |