

ACTIVITY 7, THE BIRD OF HAPPINESS AND OTHER WISE TALES.
READING CHECK
1 Match the people from the story *A gift of God* with the sentences.

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| <p>a Mario ...</p> <p>b Mario's wife ...</p> <p>c The shopkeeper ...</p> <p>d The old man with white hair ...</p> | <p>1 has problems with his horse.</p> <p>2 thinks that Mario never does anything.</p> <p>3 cooks delicious food.</p> <p>4 tries not to worry about things.</p> <p>5 decides to keep all the silver coins for himself.</p> <p>6 shows Mario six chests of silver because Mario helped him.</p> <p>7 thinks that the shopkeeper will not share the money.</p> <p>8 enjoys sleeping and eating good food more than anything.</p> |
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2 Mario often says, 'If God wants to give, He'll give. And when He gives, He'll push it in through the window.' What does this mean?

- a** Don't worry too much about life. If God is going to help you, you don't need to do anything.
- b** Only very few people get help from God.
- c** Don't ask why God does things in the way that He does.

WORD WORK
1 Find words from *A gift of God* in the coins.


2 Complete the sentences with the words from Activity 1. Show where each word goes.



a He lifted up the rock and saw the chests. rock



d They opened the door and hundreds of coins fell into the room.



b When the horse began to, the rider shouted, 'Whoa!'



e Mario took the horse's and made it stop.



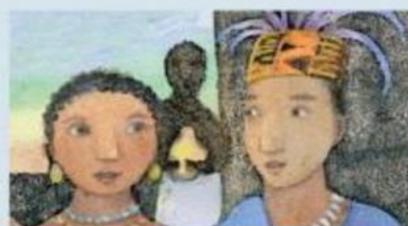
c 'Why the silver with Mario?' thought the shopkeeper.



f 'If God gives you a , only you can keep it,' said the old man.

GUESS WHAT

The next story, from West Africa, is called *A wise woman*. In it, an African chief meets a woman called Zia. What do you think happens?



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| a The chief marries Zia because she is wise and beautiful. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| b The chief wants Zia to help find the answers to people's problems. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| c The chief decides to kill Zia because she is so wise. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| d The chief asks Zia to leave because she does not do what he asks. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| e Zia leaves the chief's house, and he never sees her again. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| f Zia leaves, but she cleverly makes the chief take her back. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |