

BEFORE READING

1 Match each title of a tale on the Contents page with a story summary.

- a** A man without work saves an old man's life. The old man wants to give him a present, and shows him where he can find silver coins under the ground.
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- b** An old man feels neither happy nor unhappy when good and bad things happen to him and his son.
- c** A boy becomes badly ill. His father makes him something that helps him feel happier and get better.
- d** A clever, beautiful woman finds answers to an important man's questions and wins his love.
- e** A poor young man decides to leave his village and become rich by selling something at the market. On the way, he tells everyone his plans.
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- f** One man says that another man is stealing from him. The other man says that he is not. A third man finds the answer to their problem.
- g** A boy finds a way to get a toy that he wants to play with by helping people.
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- h** A young man tries to find the secret of making gold, and learns something about bananas from an older man.

2 Match these people from the stories with the summaries in Activity 1.

