

Puss in Boots

Once upon a time, there was an old miller who had three sons. When he died, the miller gave each son a gift. The youngest son was given a cat called Puss.

The cat could see that his master was unhappy. He had a clever plan. He asked his master to bring him a bag and some boots and he put the boots on.

Puss put some lettuce in the bag and pretended to be dead. Soon, a hungry rabbit looked inside and Puss quickly caught it.

Puss took the rabbit to the palace. He told the king that it was a gift from his master, the Marquis of Carabas.

The next day, Puss pretended to be dead again. This time he caught two birds. He gave them to the king and told him they were another gift from his master.

Some days later, Puss saw the king in his royal coach near the river. Puss told his master to take off all his clothes and get into the river. He hid the clothes under a rock.

Puss shouted, "STOP! Please will you help? My master, the Marquis of Carabas, is drowning!"



The king saw the cat and stopped. His men helped the boy out of the river and dressed him in new clothes. The king asked the man to ride with him in the royal coach. The king's daughter fell in love with the Marquis of Carabas when she saw him.

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Next, Puss saw some workmen in the fields and said to them, "Tell the king this land belongs to the Marquis of Carabas, or I'll cut you into bits!"

So they did as they were told.

The land really belonged to a rich ogre. The ogre could turn himself into any animal he wished. To show Puss how clever he was, the ogre turned himself into a big lion. Then Puss asked the ogre to turn himself into a tiny mouse, but it was a trick. The cat ate the mouse!

When the king's coach arrived at the castle, Puss told the king the castle belonged to his master. They had a great feast and the king was so happy with the Marquis of Carabas that he made him a prince.

The prince and princess were married. Puss was made a great lord and they all lived happily ever after!



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Puss asked the ogre to turn into a mouse so he could eat him.

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At the end of the story, the prince married the princess and Puss was made a great lord.

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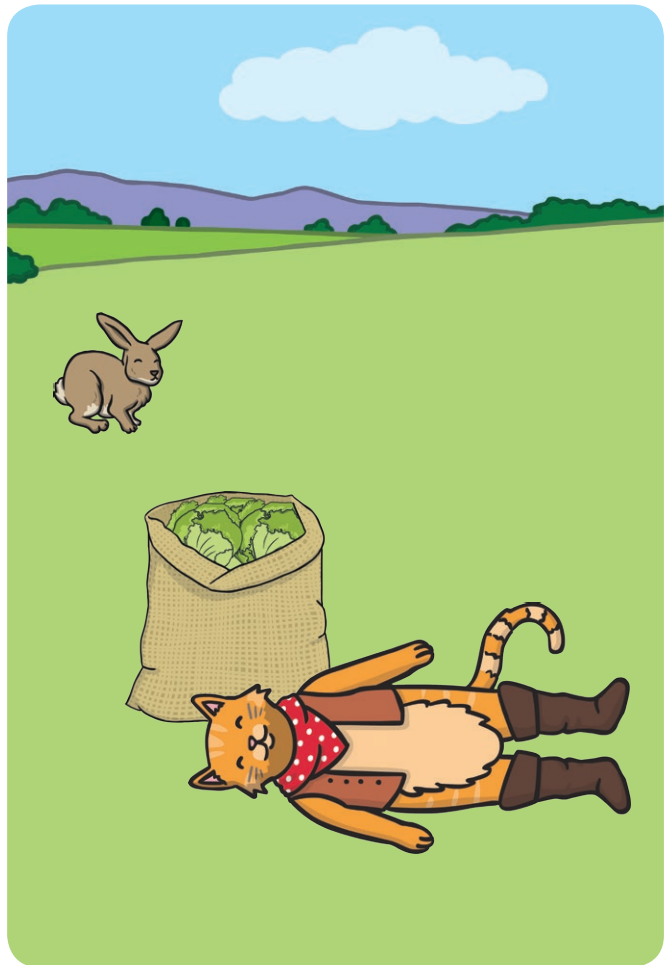
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The cat could see that his master was unhappy so he came up with a clever plan. He asked his master to bring him a bag and some boots. He put the boots on. Puss put some lettuce in the bag and pretended to be dead. Soon a hungry rabbit stuck its head in and Puss quickly caught it.

Puss took the rabbit to the palace and told the king that it was a gift from his master, the Marquis of Carabas.

The next day, Puss pretended to be dead again and caught a pair of birds. The cat took the birds to the palace and told the king that they were also a gift from his master.

Some days later, Puss saw the king passing the river in his royal coach. Puss told his master to take off all his clothes and get into the river while he hid the clothes under a rock.



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Just as the coach was passing, Puss shouted, "STOP! Please will you help? My master, the Marquis of Carabas, is drowning!"

The king recognised the cat. His men helped the boy out of the river and dressed him in fine clothes. The king asked the young man to ride with him in the royal coach. When the king's daughter saw the Marquis of Carabas, she fell in love with him at once.

Next, Puss saw some workmen in the fields and rushed to speak to them.

"Tell the king this land belongs to the Marquis of Carabas, or I'll cut you into bits!"

When the king asked the workmen who owned the land, they told him it was the Marquis of Carabas. The king was impressed.



The land really belonged to a rich ogre. Puss ran ahead to his castle to find him.

The ogre could transform himself into any animal he wished. To show Puss how clever he was, the ogre turned himself into a big lion. Then Puss asked the ogre to turn himself into a tiny mouse, but it was a trick. The cat caught the mouse and ate it!

When the king's coach arrived at the castle, Puss told the king the castle belonged to his master. With great enjoyment, they had a huge feast. The king was so happy with the Marquis of Carabas that he made him a prince.



The prince and princess were married. Puss was made a great lord and they all lived happily ever after!

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Answers may vary. The story had a happy ending because the prince married the princess and Puss was made a great lord; the story had a happy ending because the young man was made a prince.

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Some days later, Puss heard the king would be passing a nearby river in his royal coach. Puss told his master to take off all his clothes and get into the river.

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The king recognised the cat and had his men help the boy out of the river and dress him in fine clothes. Puss told the king that thieves had taken his master's clothes, but really he had hidden them under a rock.

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Then, Puss saw some workmen in the fields and rushed to speak to them.

"Tell the king this land belongs to the Marquis of Carabas, or I'll cut you into mincemeat!"

When the king asked the workmen who owned the land, they obediently told him it was the Marquis of Carabas. The king was impressed.

Puss had heard that the ogre could transform himself into any animal he wished. To prove he could, the ogre turned himself into a big lion. Puss challenged the ogre to turn himself into a tiny mouse, but it was a trick. He caught the mouse and ate it!



When the king's carriage arrived at the castle, Puss met them and told the king the castle belonged to his master. With great enjoyment, they feasted on a huge banquet. The king was so impressed with the Marquis of Carabas that he made him a prince.

The prince and princess were married that year. Puss was made a great lord and he never had to chase a mouse again, except for fun!



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Puss told his master to take off all his clothes and get into the river.

6. Why did the cat do this?

He did this to pretend his master was drowning so the king would help him and dress him in fine clothes.

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Obediently

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Answers may vary but may include: Puss called his master the Marquis of Carabas to pretend he was a rich young man; Puss wanted his master to have a better life; Puss wanted his master to be rich; Puss wanted to have a better life with his master.