



Aladdin and the Magic Lamp

Adapted from *The Arabian Nights*

My name is Aladdin. I was a poor boy who lived with my old mother in the hot sands of Arabia. One day a wicked sorcerer hired me to go into a cave to get an oil lamp. At the entrance of the cave, the sorcerer gave me a sparkling red ring to help me find the oil lamp. I went inside the cave and took the dusty old oil lamp. Outside, the sorcerer demanded the lamp, but I refused to give it to him. He got very angry and pushed me back inside the cave, but I held onto the lamp. I rubbed the ring and, all of a sudden, a genie appeared to take me home.

With the help of that powerful genie, we became a wealthy family, and I married a smart and beautiful princess. The sorcerer heard about my good fortune and tricked the princess into giving him the lamp. He ordered the genie to transport our whole palace to Africa with the princess inside. With the help of a colorful flying carpet, I went to Africa to rescue her. Now we live long and happy lives enjoying our good fortune.

1. Read the story and answer the questions.

1. What happens at the beginning of the story?
 - a. Aladdin becomes rich.
 - b. Aladdin goes to find the magic lamp.
2. The climax of the story is when...
 - a. the sorcerer tricks the princess and sends her to Africa.
 - b. Aladdin used the sparkling red ring to find the magic lamp.
3. Which is the ending of the story?
 - a. Aladdin and the genie live happily ever after.
 - b. Aladdin and the princess live happy enjoying their good fortune.

2. Complete the chart with the characters from *Aladdin* and their descriptions.

	Type of character	Description
Aladdin		
Sorcerer		
Oil lamp genie		<i>wicked</i>
The princess	<i>secondary character</i>	
Aladdin's mother		