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Silly Hans



WHAT IS IT?

Solve this puzzle by placing the point of your pencil or crayon on dot number 1 and drawing a line to dot number 2. Then you draw another line to dot number 3 and so on, until you have connected all the dots. After you have done this, you may use your crayons to color this surprise picture.



Silly Hans



ONCE UPON A TIME, THERE LIVED A MILLER AND HIS THREE HELPERS.



THE MILLER WAS A VERY OLD MAN.
ONE DAY

BOYS, I AM GOING TO
RETIRE AND GIVE ONE
OF YOU THE MILL.



SINCE YOU ARE ALL SUCH FINE
LADS, I CANNOT DECIDE WHICH
ONE TO GIVE IT TO THEREFORE
I WILL GIVE IT TO THE ONE
WHO BRINGS ME THE FINEST
HORSE IN THE LAND.



WHEN THE MILLER LEFT

TOMORROW MORNING, I WILL GO OUT TO SEEK THE FINEST HORSE IN THE LAND FOR OUR MASTER.

I WILL GO, ALSO, BUT WHAT SHALL WE GO ABOUT HANG?



IT WOULD BE A SHAME IF HE GOT THE MILL. HE IS SUCH A SILLY BOY.



YOU ARE RIGHT, TELL HIM NOT TO COME WITH US



SILLY HANGS, YOU HAD BETTER STAY HERE. YOU WILL NEVER FIND A HORSE NO MATTER HOW HARD YOU SEARCH.



BUT THE NEXT MORNING WHEN THE BOYS SET OUT

WAIT FOR ME!
I AM GOING
WITH YOU.

OH, ALL
RIGHT.

THEY WALKED ALL DAY. FINALLY...

I SEE A
CAVE UP
AHEAD. WE
OUGHT TO
STOP AND
REST THERE.

YES. I
AM VERY
SLEEPY.

WHEN THEY REACHED THE CAVE...

GOODNIGHT,
BOYS.

HANS SOON FELL ASLEEP.

QUICK! LET US RUN
AWAY AND LEAVE
HIM HERE BY
HIMSELF.

WHAT A CLEVER
IDEA! WE WILL
FINALLY BE RID
OF HIM.

THE NEXT MORNING

WHAT A GOOD REST I HAD!
HOW DID YOU SLEEP, BOYS?

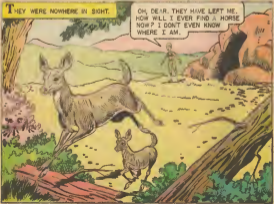


BOYS, WHERE ARE YOU?



THEY WERE NOWHERE IN SIGHT.

OH, DEAR. THEY HAVE LEFT ME.
HOW WILL I EVER FIND A HORSE NOW?
I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHERE I AM.



HANS WANDERED AROUND IN THE WOODS UNTIL

HELLO, HANS,
CAN I
HELP YOU?

HOW CAN A
PUSSY CAT
HELP ME?



I CAN HELP
YOU FIND THE
FINEST HORSE
IN ALL THE
LAND.

YOU MUST BE
A TRULY
WONDERFUL
CAT IF YOU
CAN DO THAT



COME WITH ME AND
BE MY TRUE KNIGHT
FOR SEVEN YEARS.
THEN I WILL GIVE
YOU THE HORSE.

IT IS A FAIR
BARGAIN. I WILL
COME WITH YOU.



THE CAT LED HANS TO A LITTLE CASTLE.



MY, WHAT A LOVELY CASTLE YOU HAVE. HOW DO YOU TAKE SUCH GOOD CARE OF IT?

MY SERVANTS TAKE CARE OF THE CASTLE FOR ME. SEE, THEY ARE COMING OUT TO WELCOME YOU.



THIS IS HANS. HE WILL BE WITH US FOR SEVEN YEARS.

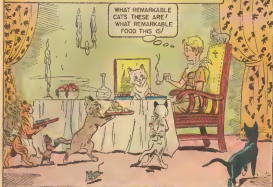
WELCOME TO THE CASTLE, HANS.



FOLLOW US. WE WILL SHOW YOU TO THE DINING ROOM. YOU MUST BE VERY HUNGRY.

I HAVEN'T EATEN ANYTHING ALL DAY.

THAT EVENING, HANS HAD THE BEST MEAL HE HAD EVER EATEN.



AFTER DINNER, THERE WAS ENTERTAINMENT.



THE MUSIC WAS SO PRETTY THAT . . .



MAY I HAVE THIS DANCE?



YOU WALTZ BETTER THAN ANY PUGGY CAT I HAVE EVER KNOWN.

THAT WAS FUN, NOW IT IS TIME FOR BED. MY SERVANTS WILL SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM.



IN HIS BEDROOM

WE WILL TAKE OFF YOUR SHOES AND STOCKINGS.

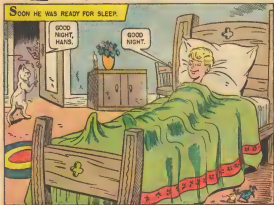
PUT ON THESE PAJAMAS.



SOON HE WAS READY FOR SLEEP.

GOOD NIGHT, HANS.

GOOD NIGHT.



IN THE MORNING, THE CATS RETURNED.



ONE CAT HELPED HIM OUT OF BED.



ANOTHER CAT WASHED HIS FACE.



A THIRD DRIED IT WITH HER TAIL.



DURING THE FIRST DAY, HANS DID VERY LITTLE.

WHAT A WONDERFUL WAY TO SPEND SEVEN YEARS! THIS IS MUCH EASIER THAN WORKING IN THE HILL.



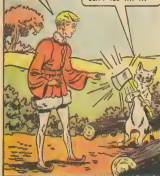
THE FOLLOWING DAY, HE TOOK A WALK AROUND THE CASTLE.

GOOD MORNING. YOU SEEM TO BE WORKING VERY HARD.



WHY DOES YOUR AX SHINE SO?

IT IS MADE OF SILVER AND GOLD. HERE, WHY DON'T YOU TRY IT?



SAY, THIS IS FUN!



AND SO THE NEXT DAY . . .

FUSSY CAT, IS THERE ANY WORK I CAN DO FOR YOU? I AM TIRED OF DOING NOTHING.

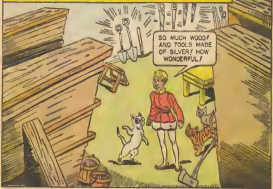


YES, HANS. I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED A SUMMER PALACE. BUILD ME ONE. MY SERVANTS WILL SHOW YOU WHERE TO FIND WHAT YOU NEED.



THE SERVANTS TOOK HANS TO A ROOM IN THE CASTLE. THERE . . .

SO MUCH WOOD! AND TOOLS MADE OF SILVER! HOW WONDERFUL!



HANS SET OUT TO BUILD THE SUMMER PALACE. HE WORKED . . .



. . . AND WORKED . . .



. . . AND WORKED.



FINALLY



WHEN THE CAT SAW HER PALACE . . .



YOU HAVE DONE
A FINE JOB, HANS.
I HOPE IT IS AS
BEAUTIFUL INSIDE.

AND IT WAS.



HANS, YOU HAVE DONE AS
I ASKED. FOR SEVEN YEARS,
YOU HAVE SERVED ME WELL.
YOUR TIME WILL BE UP
TOMORROW.



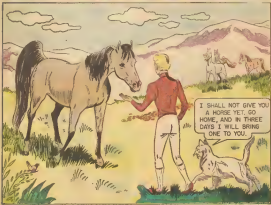
YOU HAVE EARNED THE HORSE I PROMISED YOU WOULD YOU LIKE TO SEE IT?

YES, INDEED.



SHE LED HIM OUT THE DOOR AND

I HAVE NEVER SEEN SUCH HANDSOME ANIMALS! WHICH ONE IS FOR ME?



I SHALL NOT GIVE YOU A HORSE YET. GO HOME, AND IN THREE DAYS I WILL BRING ONE TO YOU.

THAT NIGHT, A FAREWELL PARTY WAS HELD AT THE PALACE.
ALL THE CATS ENTERTAINED HANS.



WHEN IT WAS TIME FOR THE PARTY TO END

HERE'S TO YOU, HANS

THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH.



THE NEXT MORNING . . .

I WILL LEAVE MY NEW CLOTHES HERE AND WEAR MY OLD ONES TO GO BACK TO THE MILL.



HIS OLD CLOTHES HAD BECOME SHORT AND RAGGED.

THEY ARE NOT SO FINE LOOKING, BUT THEY ARE GOOD ENOUGH.



THEN HANS WENT DOWNSTAIRS.

GOODBY, PUSSY CAT. YOU WON'T FORGET TO BRING THE HORSE TO THE MILL, WILL YOU?

NO, HANS. I WILL BE THERE IN THREE DAYS.



IF YOU TAKE THE PATH TO THE RIGHT IT WILL LEAD YOU STRAIGHT TO THE MILL. GOODBY.



HANS FOLLOWED THE PATH AND SOON . . .



THERE IS THE MILL!

HE RAN AS FAST AS HE COULD.



I CAN'T WAIT TO SEE EVERYONE!

THEN . . .



HELLO! I'VE COME HOME!

WHY, IT'S SILLY HANS! HOW DID YOU EVER FIND YOUR WAY HERE?

A PUSSY CAT SHOWED ME THE WAY. SHE IS ALSO GOING TO GIVE ME THE FINEST HORSE IN THE LAND IN THREE DAYS.

OH, HANS, YOU ARE SILLIER THAN EVER. A CAT BRINGING A HORSE HERE! WHO EVER HEARD OF SUCH A THING?



THEN THE MILLER ENTERED.

I'M SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU.

WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN FOR SEVEN YEARS? WHY HAVEN'T YOU CHANGED YOUR CLOTHES?



I HAVE BEEN STAYING AT THE CASTLE OF A FUSSY CAT. SHE PROMISED THAT IF I STAYED THERE FOR SEVEN YEARS SHE WOULD GIVE ME A FINE HORSE.



HOW DID YOU EVER MAKE UP SUCH A SILLY STORY? AND DON'T YOU DARE SIT DOWN AND EAT WITH US HERE. YOU LOOK TOO RAGGED.



SO POOR HANS HAD TO EAT HIS DINNER OUTSIDE.



AND WHEN IT WAS TIME TO GO TO BED...

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

I AM GOING TO SLEEP.



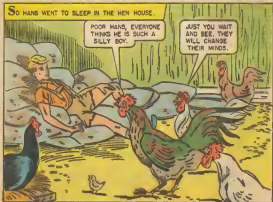
YOU CAN'T SLEEP IN HERE WITH US. YOUR CLOTHES ARE TOO TORN AND RAGGED.



SO HANS WENT TO SLEEP IN THE HEN HOUSE.

POOR HANS, EVERYONE THINKS HE IS SUCH A SILLY BOY.

JUST YOU WAIT AND SEE, THEY WILL CHANGE THEIR MINDS.

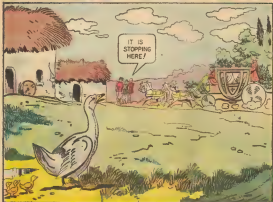


TWO DAYS PASSED. ON THE MORNING OF THE THIRD DAY.

MILLER, COME QUICKLY.
A COACH IS COMING
UP THE ROAD.



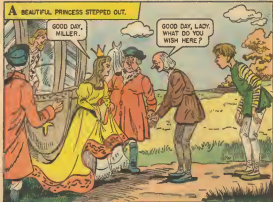
IT IS
STOPPING
HERE!



A BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS STEPPED OUT.

GOOD DAY,
MILLER.

GOOD DAY, LADY.
WHAT DO YOU
WISH HERE?



I HAVE COME
TO SEE HANS.
WILL YOU TELL
ME WHERE
HE IS?

THAT SILLY, RAGGED BOY
IS IN THE HEN HOUSE.
WOULDN'T YOU RATHER
SPEAK TO MY HANDSOME
OLDER HELPER?



NO, I WILL
FETCH HANS.



THE PRINCESS WENT TO THE HEN HOUSE.

I HAVE COME IN THREE DAYS AS I PROMISED, AND I HAVE BROUGHT THE HORSE WITH ME.



BUT WHO ARE YOU? AND WHERE IS MY FRIEND, THE PUSSY CAT?

I WAS THE PUSSY CAT, BY SPENDING SEVEN YEARS AS MY TRUE KNIGHT, YOU RELEASED ME AND MY SERVANTS FROM A MAGIC SPELL.



I LIKE YOU BETTER AS YOU ARE NOW, WOULD YOU CONSENT TO BE MY BRIDE?

OH, YES, GLADLY.



THEN THE SERVANTS OF THE PRINCESS GAVE HANS NEW CLOTHES.

PUT THESE ON AND JOIN ME AT THE MILL. WE WILL GIVE THE HORSE TO THE MILLER.



HANS DRESSED HIMSELF IN THE FINE CLOTHES.



HE LOOKS SO HANDSOME.

JUST LIKE A PRINCE.

I BET THE MILLER WON'T THINK I'M SO SILLY NOW.



HE WENT TO THE MILL.

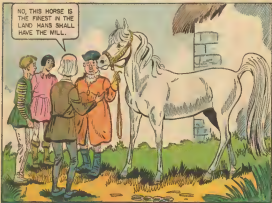
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HORSE FOR HANS.

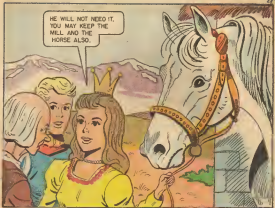
AS THE SERVANT LED
THE HORSE IN

THAT IS A
FINE HORSE.

BUT, SIR, WE
HAVE GIVEN
YOU FINER
HORSES.

NO, THIS HORSE IS
THE FINEST IN THE
LAND HANS SHALL
HAVE THE MILL.





HE WILL NOT NEED IT,
YOU MAY KEEP THE
MILL AND THE
HORSE ALSO.



BUT
WHY?

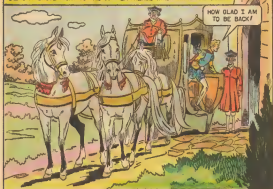
HANS IS COMING
BACK TO MY
KINGDOM TO LIVE
WE WILL BE
MARRIED THERE.



SO THEY CLIMBED ABOARD THE COACH . . .

SO LONG,
MILLER.

AND IT DROVE RIGHT TO THE SUMMER PALACE WHICH HANS HAD BUILT.



THERE HANS AND THE PRINCESS WERE MARRIED. HE BECAME VERY RICH AND NO ONE EVER CALLED HIM SILLY AGAIN.

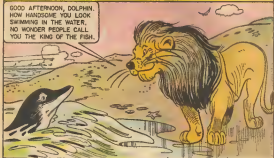


AESOP'S FABLES

THE LION AND THE DOLPHIN

ONE DAY, A LION WAS WALKING ALONG THE SHORE WHEN HE SAW A DOLPHIN.

GOOD AFTERNOON, DOLPHIN. HOW HANDSOME YOU LOOK SWIMMING IN THE WATER. NO WONDER PEOPLE CALL YOU THE KING OF THE FISH.



HELLO THERE, LION. WHAT BRINGS YOU, THE KING OF BEASTS, DOWN TO THE SHORE?

I WAS HOPING TO MEET YOU. SINCE WE ARE BOTH KINGS, WE SHOULD BECOME GOOD FRIENDS, AND SWEAR TO AID ONE ANOTHER.

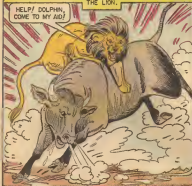


THAT IS A VERY GOOD IDEA, LION. I WILL HELP YOU ANY TIME I CAN.



A FEW MINUTES LATER, A BULL BEGAN TO FIGHT WITH THE LION.

HELP! DOLPHIN,
COME TO MY AID!



THE DOLPHIN TRIED, BUT HE COULD NOT GET OUT OF THE SEA



FINALLY THE LION DROVE THE BULL AWAY.



THEN . . .

DOLPHIN, YOU ARE
A FINE FRIEND!
YOU NEVER EVEN
RAISED A FIN
TO HELP ME.

I COULD
NOT DO IT.
EVEN IF A
FRIEND
WANTS TO
HELP, HE
ISN'T
ALWAYS
ABLE TO.



THE END

THE NORTH WIND

THE NORTH WIND DOTH BLOW,
AND WE SHALL HAVE SNOW,
AND WHAT WILL THE ROBIN DO THEN,
POOR THING?
HE'LL SIT IN THE BARN
AND KEEP HIMSELF WARM,
AND HIDE HIS HEAD UNDER HIS WING,
POOR THING!



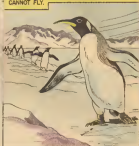
THE ANIMAL WORLD

THE PENGUIN

THE PENGUIN IS A STRANGE BIRD THAT LIVES IN THE ANTARCTIC. HE LOOKS LIKE A LITTLE MAN IN A DRESS SUIT.



ON LAND, THE PENGUIN STANDS UP STRAIGHT AND WALKS WITH A CLUMSY WADDLE. HE HAS SHORT WINGS, BUT HE CANNOT FLY.



PENGUINS ARE MOST AT HOME IN THE WATER. THEY ARE WONDERFUL SWIMMERS AND DIVERS.



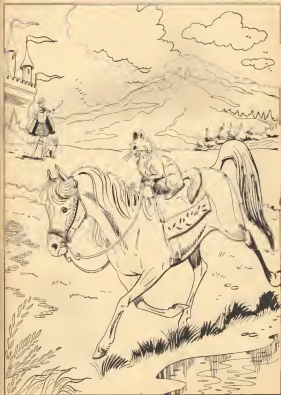
THE PENGUIN DOES NOT FEEL THE COLD AROUND HIM UNDER HIS SKIN IS A LAYER OF FAT WHICH KEEPS HIM WARM.



PENGUINS LIKE TO HAVE A GOOD TIME. THEY OFTEN TAKE RIDES ON MOVING ICE FLOES JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT.



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