CAPSTONE EARLY READERS



Jack and the Beanstalk

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Once upon a time, there was a boy named Jack.



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Jack and his mother were very poor.



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All they had was a cow. But she no longer gave milk.



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So Jack went to market to sell her.



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At the market, Jack met an old man.



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Jack sold him the cow for five magic beans.



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His mother was not happy.

“Magic beans? You silly boy!” she shouted.



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She threw the beans out the window.



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An Opposite Story

Hello! I'm Jack. That giant was really mean. So, let's use opposites to change the story and see what happens.

Read the list below. Decide what the opposite of each word is. Then reread the story using the opposites when you come to these words. How does the story change when the opposites take over?

poor

sell

happy

silly

top

big

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Talk About It

1. Why was Jack's mother mad that he sold the cow for magic beans?

2. Why do you think Jack chopped down the beanstalk when he got back?

3. Do you think Jack was right or wrong to take the hen from the castle? Why?



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