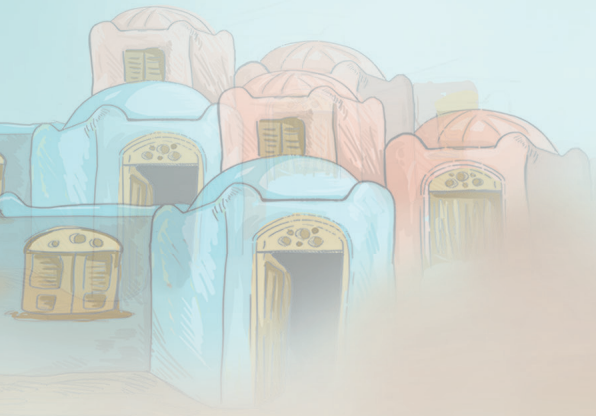
Aladdin

Once upon a time, there was a poor boy named Aladdin who lived with his mother.



One day, a rich merchant came to their house looking for Aladdin. 'I am a merchant,' he told Aladdin's mother. 'I have come all the way from Arabia. I want to take your boy with me for a little work, but I will pay him so much that you will not be poor anymore.'

Aladdin's mother soon agreed because they really needed the money. However, she did not know that the man who said he was a merchant was actually a magician. The next day, Aladdin packed his things and left with the merchant. They traveled for many hours, after which the merchant stopped. Aladdin was surprised, as it was a lonely spot and there was nothing or no one anywhere.

The merchant took out some coloured powder from his pocket. Then he threw it at the ground and the next moment there was smoke all around. As the smoke cleared away, Aladdin saw a big opening in the ground like a cave. The merchant asked Aladdin to go inside the cave. ‘You will see lots gold inside, more than you will ever see in your life. Take as much as you want. Inside the cave, you will also see an old lamp. Just get it out for me. Aladdin became suspicious, but he entered the cave.