

# Wonders unit 3, week 3

"Tales Over Time"

This week's Essential Question: What is a folktale?

This week's vocabulary words:

eventually, foolish, hero,  
tale, timid

## Sight Words

any

from

happy

once

so

upon

## Spelling Words

rice

nice

page

age

wedge

ledge

\*comprehension skill: use  
the text to find causes  
and effects

\*comprehension strategy:  
good readers make  
predictions about what  
will happen next in a  
story...then they use  
words and pictures to  
find out if their prediction  
was correct



## The Gingerbread Man

Once upon a time there lived a little Gram and a little Gramps. They had a happy life. Except for one big thing. They did not have any grandkids. "I will make a grandson out of gingerbread," said Gram. "That will be nice," said Gramps. So Gram made a little gingerbread man. Then she placed him in the oven to bake.

At last, it was time to take him out. Gram set him down. She gave him a happy face. She gave him pants made of fudge icing. Just as she finished, the Gingerbread Man jumped up! Like magic! He looked at Gram and Gramps and smiled. Then he ran away.

Gram and Gramps raced after him. "Run, run, run as fast as you can. You can't catch me. I'm the Gingerbread Man," the little man sang. Gram and Gramps did not catch him. The Gingerbread Man ran on and on. He ran until he met a black cow. "Stop!" yelled the black cow. "You smell good. I will eat you up. Yum!" "I ran from Gram and Gramps," the Gingerbread Man sang. "I can run from you, too. Yes, I can, can, can!"

The Gingerbread Man ran and ran. And the cow did not catch him. Next, the Gingerbread Man met a white duck. "Do not run

so fast," said the duck. "I am hungry. You will make a nice snack. Yum, yum!"

"I ran from the cow and Gram and Gramps," yelled the Gingerbread Man. "And I can run from you, too. Yes, I can, can, can!" And the duck did not catch him. The Gingerbread Man ran on and on and on. He passed a red fox. "Run, run, run just as fast as you can. You can't catch me. I'm the Gingerbread Man," he sang. "I do not wish to catch you," said the fox. "I just wish to be a friend."

The Gingerbread Man and the fox ran on until they came to the edge of a big lake. "But I can't swim," said the Gingerbread Man. "What will I do?" "Jump on my back," said the red fox. "I will help." So, the Gingerbread Man jumped on top of the red fox. The red fox swam and swam and swam.

"Oh no," said the red fox. "My back is sinking. Jump on my head. Quick! If not, you will get wet." The Gingerbread Man jumped on the fox's head. The fox tossed the Gingerbread Man up in the air. "Oh, no!" yelled the Gingerbread Man. And then the fox ate him up. "Run, run, run as fast as you can," said the fox. "This is the last of that Gingerbread Man."

# FAST & FLUENT

## SPELLING WORDS

rice  
nice  
page  
age  
wedge  
ledge  
like  
ride  
from  
once

- 1 I would like a bowl of rice.
- 2 My teacher is nice.
- 3 What page are you on?
- 4 I asked him his age.
- 5 She gave me a wedge of orange.
- 6 Be careful near the ledge.
- 7 Do you like to swim?
- 8 He can ride a bike.
- 9 I got a letter from mom.
- 10 She went there once.



	1st try	2nd try	3rd try
Mon.	:	:	:
Tues.	:	:	:
Wed.	:	:	:
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