

## 109學年校內語文競賽英語朗讀(高年級)

### 01 Jack and the Beanstalk

Jack's cow stopped giving milk. His mother told him to take the cow to the market and sell it. On the way, Jack met an old man. He offered magic beans in exchange for the cow. Jack arrived home without any money. His mother was angry. She threw the beans on the ground and sent Jack to bed without dinner.

That night the beans sprouted and began to grow. When Jack woke up the next morning, he saw a giant beanstalk! Jack went outside as quickly as he could and began to climb. Higher and higher, he went up to the sky. Suddenly, he was at the very top of the beanstalk. Right in front of him was the biggest house he had ever seen. Jack crept inside and saw a giant and a hen. When the giant spoke, "HEN! LAY!", the hen laid a golden egg.

Soon the giant was asleep. Jack tucked the hen inside his T-shirt. As he left the house, the giant woke up. Jack grabbed the top of the beanstalk and started to go down. The beanstalk

swayed as the giant followed. Jack's mother called from far below: "Hurry, Jack! Hurry!".

When Jack reached the ground, his mother chopped down the beanstalk. The giant fell with a big crash and died. From that day on, the magic hen lived with Jack and his mother. It laid golden eggs for them every day. Jack and his mother lived happily ever after.

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### 02 The Timid Tiger

Tim was a very timid tiger. He spoke quietly. One day, the teacher asked everyone to give a speech in front of the whole class. Tim asked his dad for help. His dad told him, "When I looked at all my tiger classmates, I imagined they were cute little cats." The next morning, when the teacher called Tim, he tried his dad's tip. He imagined all the tigers were harmless cats. It worked. He felt much better. However, when someone sneezed, "Ah---chiu", the picture of cats was gone. Tim felt nervous again. The teacher told him to try again the next day.

Tim felt sad. He ran home to his mom and cried. Mom tried to comfort him and said, "I have some magic tea. It can cure timid tigers. I am sure it will help. Go to the living room and I will make a cup of this magic tea for you."

Tim walked into the living room. He saw a cup of water. He thought it was the "magic tea" and he drank it. That night, he went to bed with confidence. The next day at school, Tim perfectly finished the speech.

Tim hurried home to his mom. He told her about the successful speech and both of them were happy. Tim said, "Mom, without your magic tea, I can't make it. Thank you very much." Mom said, "Actually, I didn't make any magic tea for you. You only drank some hot water on the table last night." Tim was surprised and realized he was the one who helped himself.

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### 03 The Angry Cat

Adam the cat came home sadly from school. He went to his room and sat on his bed. He thought about his day at school. He felt so angry. This morning, Adam woke up very late. So he hurried to school. On the way, he saw a nice marble. He stopped and put it in his bag. At that moment, someone said, "It's my marble." Adam was scared but he didn't see anyone. Suddenly, a snake came out and said, "Give me back my marble." Adam dropped the marble with fear and ran all the way to school. He ran so fast that he tripped and fell. His book fell out of his bag. He got up and walked quickly to his school.

His teacher said angrily to him, "Why are you so late?" Adam was so scared and cried. The teacher asked Adam to take out his homework but he couldn't find it. The teacher gave him a "Zero" and made him stand for a long time.

After Adam arrived home, his father went to his room and took Adam's homework in his hand. Adam was surprised and asked, "Daddy, why do you have my homework? I thought I lost

it on my way to school." Daddy looked at him and said, "I found it on your desk. You forgot to put it into your school bag."

Adam felt very grateful to his father. From today on, he would start to check his school bag and put his homework into it. He also decided to get up early and go to school on time.

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