

Family
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Friends 2

The Shoemaker and the Elves

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Family and Friends readers have been carefully graded to match the syllabus of the *Family and Friends* series and provide extra reading practice. They can either be used in the classroom or to support learning at home.

Illustrated glossary items on each page help children to understand the text, while integrated comprehension questions and puzzles provide a way of checking their understanding and help develop their broader literacy skills.

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- The Camping Trip 978019480258 1

Before you read, can you match the words with the pictures?

1 shoemaker

2 elves

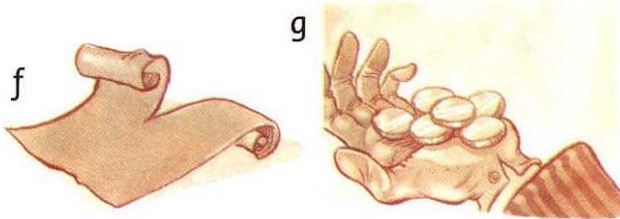
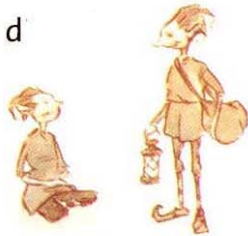
3 shoe shop

4 pair of shoes

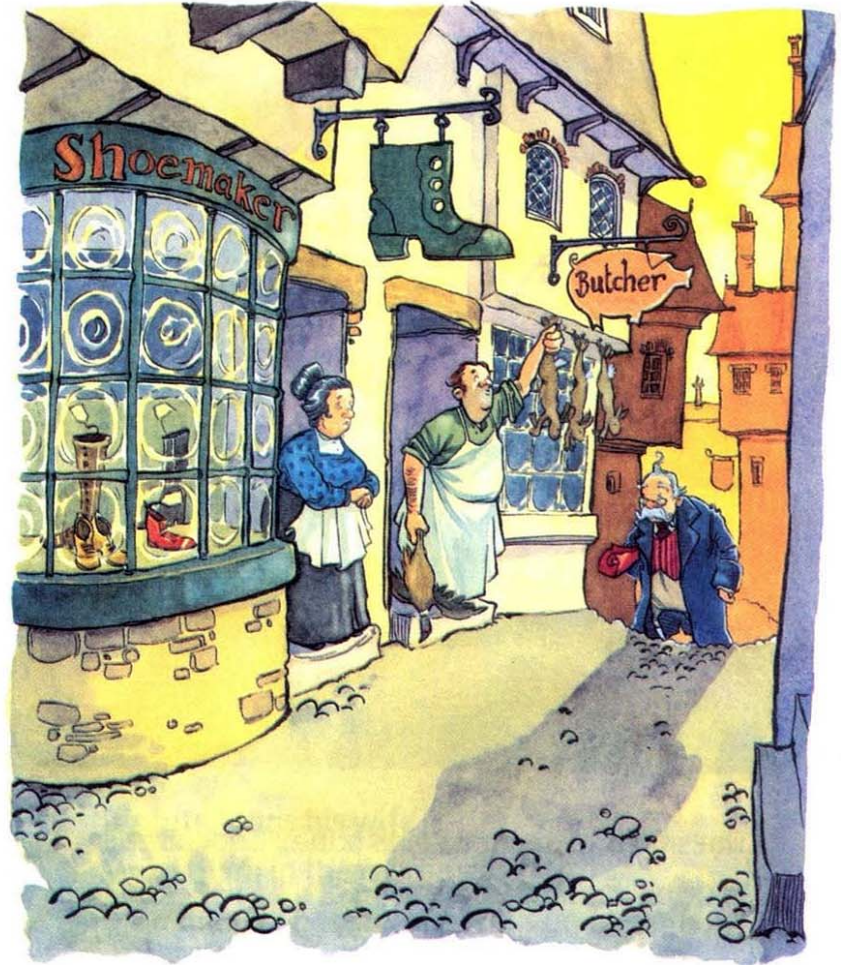
5 magic

6 gold coins

7 leather



Who's this? It's the shoemaker.
The tired old shoemaker.
It's four o'clock in the afternoon
and he's walking home.
He's got some red leather.



leather shoemaker



And here's his shop.
The old shoe shop.
It isn't a very good shop.
It doesn't make much money.

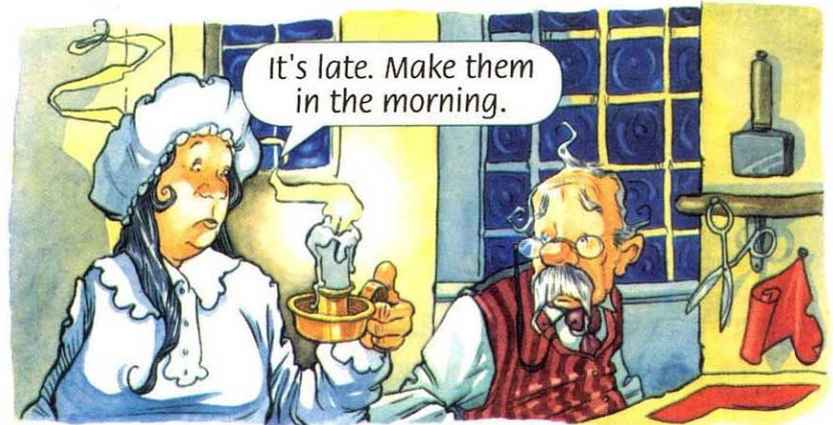


The shoemaker goes to his table. 'Look at this leather,' he says to his wife.
'What beautiful red leather!' she says.



One last pair of shoes.

'One last pair of shoes', says the old shoemaker. 'That's all I can make. I haven't got any more money.'

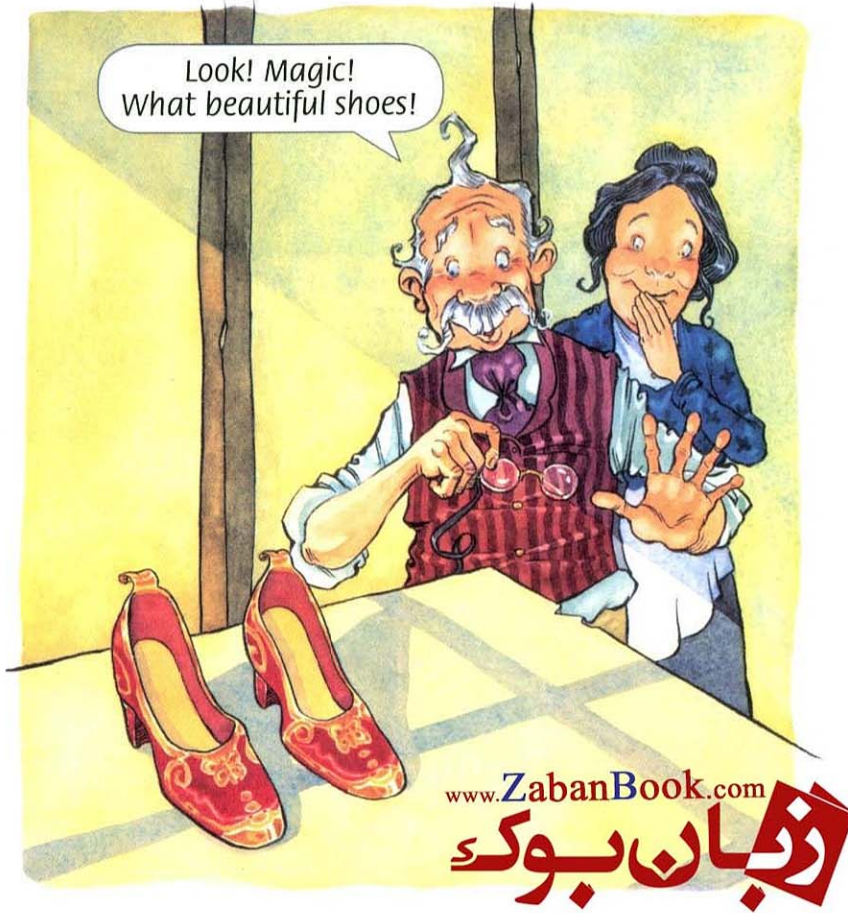


It's late. Make them in the morning.

'It's late,' says his wife.
'Make them in the morning.'
'It's a quarter past twelve. Let's go upstairs to bed.'

pair of shoes



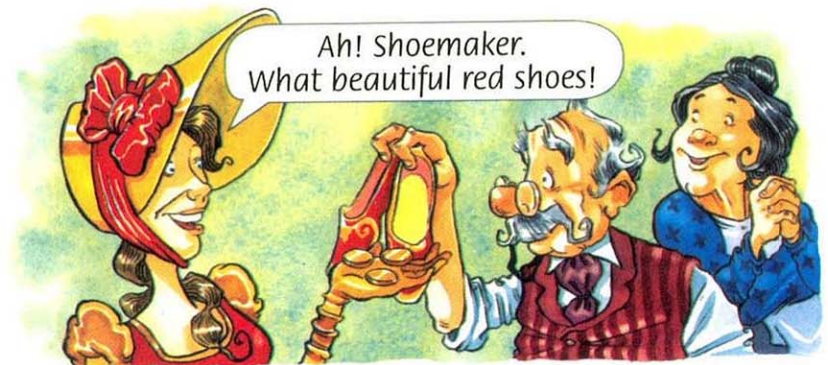


In the morning, they come down. It's sunny.
There's something on the table! It's the shoes!
'Look!' cries the shoemaker. 'Magic!'
'What beautiful shoes!' The shoemaker is happy.
'Let's put them in the shop window,' he says.
'I want people to see them.'

magic



The shoemaker puts the red shoes in the window.
A lady sees them.



'Ah! Shoemaker', says the lady.
'What beautiful red shoes!
I must have them.
I must buy them.
Here are three gold coins.'

gold coins



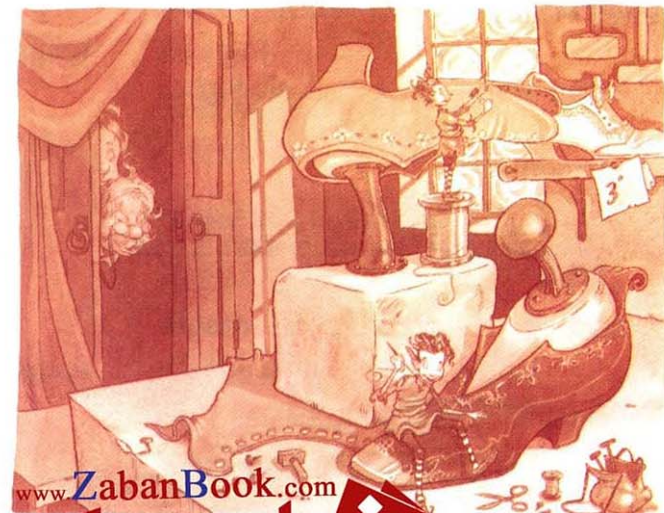
'Now it's time for us to go.
Because they know!
Because they know!' say the elves.
'Goodbye, shoemaker!'
They run outside into the snow
and they run away.



Complete the sentences with these words.

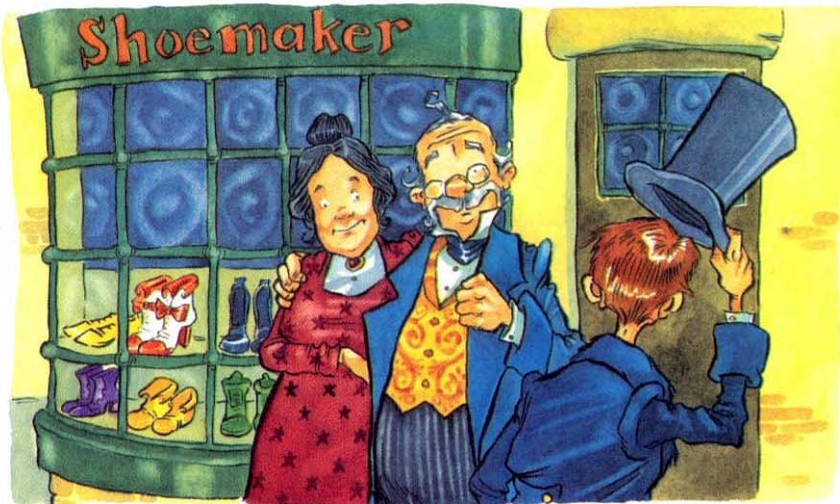
can ~~hide~~ know Let's see watch work

- 1 The shoemaker and his wife hide.
- 2 At midnight they _____ two little elves.
- 3 They _____ in the shop all night.
- 4 The shoemaker and his wife _____ them.
- 5 'Now we _____ who helps us,' says the shoemaker.
- 6 'But what _____ we do for them?' says his wife.
- 7 '_____ make some clothes for them.'



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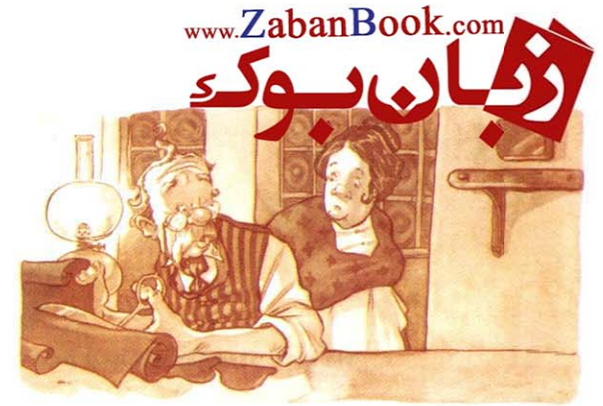


The elves never come back.
But now the shoemaker makes good shoes.
Now he can buy a lot of leather.
And he works very hard. Now his shop is a good shop.
And the shoemaker and his wife are very happy.

Answer the questions.

- 1 How many pairs of shoes does the man buy?
a ☐ one b ☒ two c ☐ three
- 2 How many gold coins does the man give for the shoes?
a ☐ three b ☐ six c ☐ nine
- 3 Who buys three pairs of shoes from the shoemaker?
a ☐ the lady b ☐ the man c ☐ the family
- 4 The shoemaker wants to know who is ... all the shoes.
a ☐ buying b ☐ making c ☐ hiding
- 5 The elves work ...
a ☐ in the morning c ☐ all night
b ☐ at midnight
- 6 After the elves leave, the shop is a ... shop.
a ☐ bad b ☐ good c ☐ magic
- 7 The elves ... come back.
a ☐ always b ☐ never c ☐ sometimes

Act the play.



Scene 1

Chant

This is the shoemaker.
And this is his shop.
It isn't a very good shop.
It doesn't make much money.

Shoemaker

One last pair of shoes.
That's all I can make.

Wife

It's late. Make them in the morning.

Shoemaker

All right.

Chant

Goodnight, shoemaker!

Scene 2

Chant

In the morning they come down.
There's something on the table!

Wife

What is it?

Shoemaker

It's the shoes! Look! Magic!

Wife

Oh, yes! What beautiful shoes!

Chant

What beautiful shoes!
Put them in the window.