

The Magic Hat

It was one fine morning and I was tossing and turning in my bed to avoid the chirping of the birds from reaching my ears. The sight of the clock caught my eye. It was ten o'clock in the morning! At that I shot out of bed with a start. I went downstairs to get the post.

As I put my foot on the doorstep I tripped over a crooked brown box. I got up and went to it. There was a note tied with a very old dusty string. It read: "Lost property – handle with the greatest care." I was very surprised to see this. I thought someone might have left it there earlier that morning. When I opened it I found a jet-black hat. It looked like a witches' hat, and I didn't like it. The pointed top was bent and it was worn out in some places. I decided to try it on.

As soon as I wore it on my ruffled hair, I found myself holding a flying broomstick and I was also wearing witches' robes. I at once realised that it was a magic hat. It also spoke and made me jump with fright when it did so. It told me that it granted the most desired wish to whoever tries it on. It also told me that it was very old. I opened the balcony, mounted my broom and shot out as if I were a jet plane. The magic hat was such a terrific hat.

While I was dashing up straight to the sky, I had to hold the hat. It almost flew away once because of the speed. I didn't know how to ride very well and I was riding very shakily. In a matter of seconds I was high in the sky. It was azure and cloudless. I felt as if I were in paradise. It was such a wonderful experience. While I was leaning against my broomstick and getting used to riding, the magic hat was telling me what adventures it was up to when it was with other people. I was listening very carefully. Time flies when you are having fun and so it did on that day. I was back home just before nightfall and I found myself wearing my pyjamas and ready to go to bed.

I thanked the magic hat and saw it going out of the front door, just from where it came. I'll never forget the day when a black magic hat granted my most desired wish and made me happy.
