

Vocabulary Words

1. **Tinderbox** (noun): /'tɪn-dər-bɒks/ A small container used to hold materials for starting a fire.
Example: The traveler carried a tinderbox with him to light a fire in the wilderness.
2. **Summon** (verb): /'sʌmən/ To call forth or bring into existence.
Example: The magician could summon a flock of doves with a wave of his wand.
3. **Enlist** (verb): /ɪn'list/ To enroll or engage someone's help or support.
Example: The organization was able to enlist volunteers for the charity event.
4. **Triumph** (noun/verb): /'traɪʌmf/ A great victory or success.
Example: The team celebrated their triumph in the championship game.
5. **Benevolence** (noun): /bɪ'nɛvələns/ The quality of being kind, generous, and helpful.
Example: The philanthropist's benevolence benefited numerous charitable causes.
6. **Fulfillment** (noun): /fʊl'fɪlmənt/ A sense of satisfaction or achievement.
Example: Helping others brought him a deep sense of fulfillment.
7. **Hoard** (verb/noun): /hɔːrd/ To accumulate and store large quantities of something, typically in a secretive or selfish manner.
Example: The dragon would hoard gold and jewels in its cave, guarding its treasure fiercely.
8. **Compassion** (noun): /kəm'pæʃən/ Deep sympathy and concern for the suffering or misfortune of others, accompanied by a desire to alleviate their pain.
Example: The nurse showed compassion by comforting the patient and offering support during their difficult time.
9. **Prosperity** (noun): /prɒ'spɛrɪti/ The state of being successful, flourishing, or thriving, especially in terms of financial well-being.
Example: The new business brought prosperity to the town, creating jobs and boosting the local economy.
10. **Meaningful** (adjective): /'miːnɪŋfʊl/ Having significance, purpose, or value; conveying a sense of importance or depth.
Example: The heartfelt message in the book left a meaningful impact on the reader, provoking self-reflection.

Audio clip: [Tinderbox.mp3](#)



The soldier discovered a magical **tinderbox** that granted him the ability to **summon** three powerful dogs. The first dog brought him wealth, the second dog brought him a mighty army, and the third dog granted him the key to a chest filled with incredible treasures.

Soldier: "Amazing! With the help of these dogs, I can achieve great things!"

Using the dogs' assistance, the soldier became a wealthy and respected figure in the kingdom. One day, he learned about a wicked witch guarding a hidden treasure. Determined to claim it, the soldier **enlisted** the dogs' aid once again.

First Dog: "We will help you defeat the witch and claim the treasure!"

With the dogs' help, the soldier **triumphed** over the witch and gained access to the hidden treasure. Instead of **hoarding** the riches for himself, the soldier chose to use his newfound wealth to bring happiness and **prosperity** to the people of his kingdom.

Villagers: "Thank you, kind soldier, for your generosity and **benevolence**!"

Realizing the true value of **compassion** and making a positive impact, the soldier dedicated his life to helping others. He continued to use the tinderbox and the dogs' assistance to aid those in need, spreading joy and kindness throughout the land. In doing so, he found ultimate **fulfillment** and lived a truly **meaningful** life. The end.

Discussion

1. Why do you think the soldier chose to help others instead of keeping the treasure for himself?
2. How do you think the soldier's actions made a difference in the lives of the people in his kingdom?
3. What values and qualities do you think the soldier demonstrated throughout the story?
4. How can small acts of kindness, like the soldier's actions, create a positive impact on a community?
5. How did the soldier's perspective on wealth and success change throughout the story? What do you think contributed to this change?
6. If you were in the soldier's position, how would you use the magical tinderbox and the dogs' assistance to make a difference in the world?