



# Aladdin and the Enchanted Lamp

In a small town, there lived a kind but poor widow and her only son, Aladdin. Though they struggled to make ends meet, Aladdin always tried to help by picking fruits like bananas from distant places.

One day, while searching for wild figs, Aladdin encountered a mysterious stranger. The man, dressed in fine clothes with a twinkling sapphire in his turban, made Aladdin an offer he couldn't refuse – a chance to earn a silver penny by entering a manhole nearby.

Curious and eager, Aladdin agreed and soon found himself in a hidden chamber filled with glittering treasures, shining under the dim light of an old oil lamp. As he gazed in wonder at the jewels and gold, the stranger's voice echoed, demanding only the lamp.

Feeling uneasy about the stranger's intense interest in the lamp, Aladdin hesitated to hand it over until he was safely out of the manhole. In his anger, the stranger slammed the cover shut, accidentally dropping a ring in the process. Alone in the darkness, Aladdin discovered the ring and, upon twisting it, summoned a powerful genie who whisked him back home.

Aladdin's mother, shocked to see him suddenly appear, listened in awe to his tale. When she tried to clean the old lamp, another genie appeared, declaring himself their servant, ready to grant any wish. Hungry, they wished for a grand meal, and from that day, their lives were filled with comfort and luxury.

Aladdin grew into a fine young man and one day, he caught a glimpse of Princess Halima and instantly fell in love. Determined to marry her, he sent his mother to the Sultan with a request for Halima's hand and a chest full of dazzling diamonds.

The Sultan, tempted by the riches but influenced by his envious Chamberlain, set impossible tasks for Aladdin. He demanded forty slaves carrying treasure and a magnificent palace for Halima. With the help of the genie, Aladdin met these challenges, leaving the Sultan amazed and the Chamberlain envious.

As the wedding was celebrated, a cunning merchant, in reality the vengeful wizard, tricked Halima into trading the magic lamp for a new one. With the genie now under his control, the wizard transported the palace, along with Halima, to a distant land.

Distraught, Aladdin used the genie of the ring to track down Halima. Stealthily, he instructed her to drug the wizard, who fell into a deep sleep. Aladdin retrieved the lamp and wished the wicked wizard away, never to be seen again.

Reunited, Aladdin and Halima explained everything to the Sultan, who was overjoyed to see them return. The palace was magically transported back to its rightful place, amidst the cheers of the people who called it 'the palace from the skies.' Aladdin and Halima lived happily ever after, their love and adventures becoming legendary in the land.