

# Vansel and Tretel

(Adaptation of Hansel and Gretel)

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Once upon a time there was a rich family that lived in an elegant Marble mansion, with a pool near the woods that was in their backyard. They loved to go camping on Saturday nights. One Sunday night, the parents discussed how spoiled their children were, and planned to leave their children in the woods when they went camping next Saturday, because of how bratty they were. They thought that they should leave the children alone at the campsite, while they “picked some berries”.

The next morning, Vansel and Tretel got ready for school. When they came downstairs, they saw their breakfast ready for them. Vansel had Honey Nut Cheerios, while Tretel ate his favorite, homemade oatmeal. When they finished their breakfast, they happily played on their phones. They eventually got bored and watched tv. About ten minutes later, they went to their bus stop and got on the plain yellow bus. When the children left for school, the parents eagerly reviewed their plan.

On Saturday night, the family went camping like always. The parents took a walk and told the children “Stay here, we’ll be back soon.” They never came back. The children slept on the filthy, dirty ground, much more uncomfortable than the luxurious beds they slept on at their house. The next morning, Vansel and Tretel decided to try and find their way back home. They stumbled upon an unpleasant shack and knocked on the door. A poor old woman answered and asked, “What are sweet little kids like you doing in these dangerous woods?”

“Our parents abandoned us!” The children answered, practically sobbing.

The old lady put on a worried expression and let them in for dinner. She gave each person one tiny chicken leg. When the kids finished dinner, still hungry, the old lady politely invited them upstairs. She happily showed them where they would stay. The children thought it was weird that the old woman had been so kind to them, but they let it go for the time being. Vansel and Tretel slept in a tiny red bed together. They slept very well and were just happy that they didn't have to sleep on the floor. But when Vansel woke up, he found himself locked up in a cage! Tretel was then forced to serve the cruel old lady. The old woman stole all Vansel and Tretel's riches, including their clothes, jewelry and the extra money in their pockets. The children were miserable.

It had been two weeks since Vansel was put in the iron barred cage. The old lady decided to switch the roles of the two children. Now Tretel was in a cage and Vansel was serving the old lady. Eventually, the old lady decided to put both the children in the cage. When he realized he was in the wretched cage with Tretel, they quickly came up with a plan. "When the old lady is asleep, we'll use one of your bobby pins to break out of the cage and hide in the basement. Maybe we'll find an exit down there!" Vansel excitedly suggested. They both knew they couldn't just go through the front door, because the old lady had put a combination lock on it. That night, they broke out of the cage and ran into the basement. The old lady's basement had spiderwebs, cracks in the walls and most importantly, a huge cauldron with a bubbling green potion brewing inside.

When The children realized she was a witch, their eyes widened in astonishment. Tretel screamed in fright, and unfortunately woke the witch up. They heard the witch descend the creaky stairs that led to the spooky basement. She saw nothing but

her bright green potion bubbling in the cauldron. “Just finished” She said, cackling. The witch walked a little closer. She saw Tretel's tiny hand and said, “Hmm, who is that I see?” She walked one more step before Tretel cleverly pushed the wicked witch into the big black cauldron. The witch was shocked at first, but when she regained her senses she began to shriek and flail, fear overcoming her.

The children cheered in delight and were incredibly happy to get out of the ugly shack. They decided to continue to find their way home without talking to anymore strangers. They finally found their way back to the mansion and were incredibly happy to walk through the marvelous gates again. However, their parents weren't as happy.....

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