

Narrative Text #2 – Wozzle the Wizard

Wozzle lived with his pet owl, Screech, in a tall tower not far into the Forbidden Mountains. Wozzle was worried. He had to do a very important magic test in one week. He had been trained, like all the other young wizards, by a Grand Wizard who ruled over all the land.

Wozzle had the book of spells. He had a beautiful wand. But for some reason, his spells were not working. He had tried to practise his magic spells in front of his best friend, Wendy the friendly witch.

He had pointed his wand at Wendy's cat, Fluffball, and said "Hocus Pocus, now you're a frog!"

But Fluffball had turned into a dog.

"Try another one," said Wendy.

"Hocus Pocus, now you're a fly."

But poor Fluffball turned into a pie.

"Try the owl," said Wendy.

"Hocus Pocus, now you're a pearl."

But instead, the owl turned into a girl.

"How dare you!" spluttered Screech. "The cheek."

"This is terrible," sobbed Wozzle. "What can I do?"

"There's something strange about these errors," said Wendy. "They all rhyme."

"So what?"

Wendy thought for a moment. Then she whispered, "What am I saying?"

"Beg your pardon?"

"Ahah. That's it. When was the last time you cleaned the wax out of your ears?"

"Never," said Wozzle.



“Maybe you should,” suggested Wendy.

Can you guess what happened next?

You’re right. The spells worked. Wozzle was delighted.

And at the exam the next week, he got 100%.

“Congratulations,” boomed the Grand Wizard. “Spells are easy, aren’t they?”

“They are, when they can hear you,” said Wozzle, with a wink at his good friend Wendy.

1. Wozzle is

an owl

a Grand Wizard

a young wizard

a friendly witch

2. Why was Wozzle worried?

because his owl was missing.

because his spells were not working.

because his ears were full of wax.

because he had not been trained properly.

3. What was the first thing that Fluffball turned into?

a frog

a dog

a fly

a pie

4. *"How dare you!" spluttered Screech. "The cheek."*

This reaction tells us that Screech is

annoyed.

excited.

disappointed

scared.

5. *Wendy thought for a moment. Then she whispered, "What am I saying?"*

Why did Wendy do this?

because she was mad at Wozzle.

because she didn't want the owl to hear her.

because she had a sore throat.

because she wanted to see if Wozzle could hear her.

6. What is the main message of this story?

Always clean out your ears.

Sharing a problem can help you solve it.

Studying for tests is important.

Be nice to your friends.