

Nolen, the King

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Once upon a time, in a castle there lived a king named Nolen. He woke up one morning at his ancient medieval castle. He realized that he was all lonely at the castle on a vast land surrounded by many garden gnome statues. Nolen walked over to the window. He looked at these mythical sculptures outside his castle and felt dismal. He was run down with a lot of debts and unable to keep up with high landscaping maintenance costs.

One day, Nolen got an unexpected visit from the immortal Oracles. As the Oracles walked toward the depressed king, a sense of foreboding filled him. Oracles told him about seeing his omens during his dreams. He saw wraithlike creatures guarding a shimmering stone called the wealth stone. That wealth stone belonged to the king's ancestors. Oracles sent him on a mission to find the wealth stone with the help of his prophecy guide to find it.

Nolen leaves a castle and sets out in search of the wealth stone. He was accompanied by the prophecy guide during his travels. On the way, he faced the twelve stone giants. The stone giants are monsters with enchanted hair and mischievous eyes. They challenged Nolen to a battle. Nolen agreed to fight the stone giants and they fought a long hard-fought battle for the stone, an heirloom belonging to Nolen's ancestors. Nolen dressed in the armor of a knight, acted like a knight, fought like a knight, and wielded a magical silver shimmering sword.

Nolen succeeded in the battle and collected the wealth stone on his way back to the castle. To his surprise, he found the stone guardians raiding his castle and keeping Oracles hostage. As Nolen stepped farther hiding his stone and stone guardians and the captive came closer, Oracles could see the dismal look in his eyes. "Do not worry about me. Let me go," Oracles hollered mischievously. Oracles

tells sluggish Nolen to keep looking for the wealth stone. Nolen looked back and took a deep breath. "I'm sorry, but I don't know where the wealth stone is," he explained, in a dismal tone. The stone guardians got angry, and they threw Oracles in a dense underground hole filled with slithering snakes. The snakes were slithering freely all over Oracle's body and trapping him in the snake pit. Gradually, he got bitten by snakes. The stone guardians saw him lying and left thinking that he was dead. They departed the castle and hurried away into the distance.

Out of the blue, the Oracles came back alive, and Nolen pulled him out of the hole. They both chuckled. The Oracles fooled the stone guardians, and they did not know that the Oracles came from his family of immortals. Nolen showed Oracles the mythical stone. The Oracles took a closer look at it and noticed the writing that is engraved on the wealth stone. It said, "Nolen would be one billion richer if it is claimed by Nolen, the King." The prophecy guide mumbled to himself that the prophecy came true. Nolen accepted the wealth stone and returned home to his castle as a very wealthy king. He can afford to pay lawn caretakers to look after his garden and landscape. At the end, Nolen reached a happy conclusion, and the castle was once full of light, wealth, and beauty.