$\frac{\texttt{JACK} \texttt{ AND} \texttt{ THE BEANSTALK}}{\texttt{AFTER}}$

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INT. OAK-PANELLED STUDY - EVENING

DAVID WALLIAMS

...then Jack set foot on solid ground with everything he stole from the giant's castle in the clouds. He took an axe and chopped down the beanstalk - sending the terrifying giant plummeting to earth. "The giant's dead!", cheered Jack. Then he and his mother lived happily ever after. The end.

DAVID WALLIAMS closes the book.

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D) Back when I was a child, in 2017, I often wondered what happened to Jack <u>after</u> ever after. Did he get his cow back? Did he invest his new riches wisely in the Fairyland stock exchange?

(then)

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ALT 1

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D)
Back when I was a child, in 2017, I
often wondered what happened to
Jack after ever after. Did he get
his cow back - or did he squander
all that gold on Loom bands and
Harlem Shakes? Or whatever it is
you kids are into these days.

(then)

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DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D)

When I was a child, living under the stairs, I often wondered what happened to Jack after ever after. But then an owl invited me to magic school where I learned some spells and defeated Voldemort. I think that was me, I get confused easily because I'm very old.

(then)

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a medical condition. And here it is
... David Walliams's 'Jack and The
Beanstalk: After Ever After'.

DAVID WALLIAMS opens a big leather bound book.

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D) Aardvark abacus abandon ... wait a minute, sorry - this is the dictionary.

We see it's a dictionary. DAVID swaps it for another leather bound book - with 'Jack and The Beanstalk: After Ever After' on the cover.

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D) Let's try that again...

EXT. FAIRYTALE FOREST. JACK'S COTTAGE

The felled beanstalk and lifeless GIANT (12 feet tall) lie at the side of a picturesque cottage on the forest's edge. We move towards Jack's cottage.

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.)
Stealing from an evil giant and
then killing him would be a
remarkable day's work for most 12year-olds - but Jack's mother Pat
was still mad with him for the
whole 'selling the family cow for a
handful of beans' thing.

INT. JACK'S COTTAGE

PAT (anxious, over-protective) puts down a bowl of cabbage soup for her and JACK (12 years old, trusting, naive but upbeat). Jack pulls out a MAGIC HARP from his sack-cloth bag and holds it up proudly.

JACK

...and then I stole this from the giant's castle.

The MAGIC HARP's puppeteered face sings to the tune of 'Greensleeves'.

MAGIC HARP

(singing)

My master the giant, Has bumped his head, Now he's in your garden, Completely dead.

JACK

It's a magic harp.

PAT

It's annoying - that's what it is. How d'you stop it?

MAGIC HARP

(singing)
I'll sing all day,
And I'll sing all night...

JACK

I dunno.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE - MOMENTS LATER

The harp is thrown into a muddy hole.

MAGIC HARP

(singing)
I'm in a hole,

And the fall did hurt,

And you've grabbed a spade,

Now you're shovelling dirt.

REVEAL: PAT shovelling mud onto the instrument. The harp is muffled. Then silenced.

INT. JACK'S COTTAGE - MOMENTS LATER

PAT

Tell me you didn't risk all our lives for an insufferable harp.

JACK

No ma! I got something that's going to make us rich!

PAT

A giant diamond?

JACK

No this!

JACK opens his sack and pulls out a real hen.

PAT

A hen?

JACK

A magic hen.

PAT

Sweetheart - I think what you've got there is a normal chicken.

JACK

But this hen lays golden eggs! I swear - I saw one in the giant's castle!

PAT

Let's just take a step back for a moment Jack. You swapped our cow for some beans and now most of my vegetable patch has been squashed by a dead giant, so that all we've got left to eat is cabbages. You have to ask yourself, was it all worth it for an annoying harp and a bog standard chicken?

JACK

And this lovely little bag.

JACK pulls out a little leather pouch and puts it on the table. It makes metallic clinking noise.

PAT

What's in it?

Dunno. Just, you know, bags are always useful.

PAT takes the pouch and opens it. She pulls out three large gold coins and looks amazed.

PAT

Well, bless my beetroots! Look what you accidentally got right.

There's a knock at the door. PAT pulls the coins close to her.

PAT (CONT'D)

Who is it?

VILLAGERS (O.S.)

(in unison)

Assorted villagers!

PAT hides the coins in a cupboard then opens the front door to the MAYORESS (red robe, gold chain) leading a crowd of VILLAGERS, including the BUTCHER (woman in leather apron and white hat).

PAT

Blimey, there's a lot of you.

MAYORESS

We're all here to celebrate young Jack killing one of our greatest foes.

BUTCHER

By drinking all your mead and scoffing all your food!

VILLAGERS

Hurrah!

PAT

I hope you like cabbages.

Everyone barges in pushing JACK and PAT aside.

INT. JACK'S COTTAGE - A SHORT TIME LATER

It's now rammed with raucous VILLAGERS, chatting, eating cabbage and drinking. The MAGIC HEN roams around the room. The MAYORESS stands on the table.

MAYORESS

Listen up peasants! The Mayoress is speaking! Now, we're here to celebrate a hero.

(MORE)

MAYORESS (CONT'D)

For too long, our picturesque village of Titchington has been terrorised by giants.

The BAKER (man in pinny and chef's hat) speaks up.

BAKER

They trample our crops!

Murmurs of agreement.

BUTCHER

They explode our sheep with their laser eyes!

Murmurs of agreement. The CANDLESTICK MAKER (man in wax-splattered apron, holding a candlestick) - speaks up.

CANDLESTICK MAKER

They made me go bald!

Silence.

PAT

Sorry. How did giants do that?

CANDLESTICK MAKER

PGSD. Post-Giant Stress Disorder.

JACK

This one was so horrible he tried to eat me.

MAYORESS

But then Jack, you did the right thing - took the law into your own hands and killed him in cold blood.

VILLAGERS

Hurrah!

JACK cheers and smiles.

PAT

He just chopped down a plant. At best it was manslaughter.

MAYORESS

And so, as is customary in Titchington, we reward the slaying of a giant with a solid 24-carat wooden medal.

VILLAGERS applaud as the MAYORESS hangs a wooden medal - with a carving of a slain giant - around JACK's neck.

MAYORESS (CONT'D)

And we also bestow upon you this town's greatest honour: we would like you to be our judge for tomorrow's "Titchington's Got Vegetables".

JACK

Thank you!

MAYORESS

(whispered)

I don't mean to influence you, but my giant turnip is in the running so do remember who gave you that medal.

(then)

To Jack - Titchington's greatest giant killer!

The MAYORESS raises her cup. Everyone raises their cups.

VILLAGERS

Titchington's greatest giant killer!

SUDDENLY ... a frightening-looking hunter appears in the doorway. In one fluid motion she removes her eyepatch, plucks out her glass eyeball, puts it into the eyepatch and, using it as a slingshot, fires it bullet-like through the MAYORESS's cup and into the wall. Everyone falls silent and turns to this intimidating woman with thirty-seven giant-killing wooden medals hung around her neck and a pipe sticking out the corner of her mouth.

GRAMS. DRAMATIC STING

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Did someone say, "Titchington's greatest giant killer"?

The room remains silent - everyone's intimidated by her.

MAYORESS

Yes, I said it then they said it. So twice! And then you just said it - so three times. It's basically a meme.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME pulls another glass eye out of her top pocket, puts it in her eye socket and covers it back up with the eyepatch.

JACK

(to PAT)

Who's she?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME walks up to JACK, sniffs around him then leans in nose-to-nose.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME "She", little boy, is ... The Woman With No Name! Oooh!

BAKER

(to BUTCHER)

At school she was called "Janet".

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME takes off her eye patch again, pops out her glass eye and fires it into the wall, millimetres below the BAKER's crotch.

BAKER (CONT'D)

Point taken.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME puts her eyepatch back on once more.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME As I was saying. My name is ... The Woman With No Name! Oooh! And I'm the number-one giant killer around here.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME indicates to all her medals.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D) So tell me boy - how many spine-snapping, bone-grinding, man-eating giants have you killed?

JACK

(nervous)

One.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Well guess how many I've murdered?

JACK

Two?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

(scoffs)

A lot more than that.

JACK

A hundred?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Well, no - lower than that.

JACK

Four.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Higher than that.

Ninety-nine?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Lower than that.

JACK

Forty?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Bit lower than that.

JACK

Thirty-nine.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Bit lower than that.

JACK

Thirty-eight?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Bit lower than that.

JACK

Three?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

(frustrated)

Thirty-seven! I've killed thirtyseven giants. Forget these medals, you lot should build me a flippin' statue!

(to JACK)

Boy - you leave the giant-killing to me, yeah? Otherwise...

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME draws a finger across her throat.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D)

But with a knife instead of a finger.

(then)

And on your neck, not mine.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME glares him down.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE

JACK steps out to the side of the cottage - the MAGIC HEN runs out to join him. He lets out a sigh of relief - then pulls some grain out of his pocket and throws it down for the MAGIC HEN. JACK glances up to where the giant's body fell. The body's gone! Panicked, JACK surveys the area.

Then a long, fat finger taps JACK on the back.

GIANT (O.S.)

Fee fi fo fum, I smell the blood of an Englishman.

JACK turns slowly to find himself face-to-face with the angry, stooping GIANT. He pins JACK's arms to his side, lifts him and growls menacingly. JACK's terrified.

END OF PART ONE

PART TWO

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE

The GIANT is holding JACK off the ground.

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.) So young Jack found himself face-to-face with the dead giant who, it turns out, was very much not dead.

The GIANT growls. JACK cowers.

GIANT

What bit to eat first? Maybe I'll have an arm as a starter? I've just got one question before I snack on you: who stole my castle?

JACK

W ... what?

GIANT

It was here. Then everything went a bit hazy. Now it's gone. Someone's stolen it and made everything smaller. Was it you?

JACK

No! No! Your castle's still up there.

JACK nods to the clouds. The GIANT releases JACK.

GIANT

Urgh! Am I in Pee-Wee Land?

JACK

What's a pee-wee?

GIANT

It's what you are. Y'know, like a giant, but small.

JACK

A human?

GIANT

Stupid word for a pee-wee. How did I get here?

JACK

You fell.

JACK looks over to the axe. The GIANT leans towards JACK.

GIANT

Yes. I remember chasing you. Why was I chasing you?

JACK

Because ... we were playing tag.

GIANT

Why would I be playing tag with a pee-wee?

JACK

Because ... we're ... best friends?

GIANT

Nah, that doesn't sound right. Where did we meet?

JACK

At ... swimming lessons.

GIANT

But I can't swim.

JACK

That's why you were having lessons.

GIANT nods, accepting JACK's answer.

JACK (CONT'D)

But we can't stay around here chatting, you really should be going.

(points to cottage)

Because there's a woman in there who wants to kill you.

As the GIANT looks at the cottage, JACK rips off his wooden medal and tosses it away - out of sight.

GIANT

As if a pee-wee could kill me!

JACK

It's true. She calls herself "The Woman With No Name".

GIANT

The Woman With No Name.

(thinks)

Where have I heard that before? Oh yeah - they warned us about her when we were little ... well littler.

JACK

Really?

GIANT

Yeah. You see, 'cos rain goes down from clouds - and not up - giants have to come to Pee-Wee Land for water. But sometimes they don't come back - cos they've been killed by The Woman With No Name.

JACK

Well she's in there right now. So you better go home.

GIANT

I can't - the beanstalk's broken.
I'm stuck down here.

JACK

Oh yeah. I'm sorry.

GIANT

(suspicious)

Why? What did you do?

JACK

(worried)

Nothing. I just meant "sorry" you can't get home. Still probably the best thing to do is just run, like, really far away and maybe not even come back?

GIANT

Alright. But I'm hungry - so I'll just pop into the village and eat a couple of pee-wees - you know, for the road.

JACK

No! Don't!

GIANT

Well I've got to eat something.

The GIANT's stomach gurgles.

GIANT (CONT'D)

And it's going to have to be pretty big.

JACK thinks for a moment.

JACK

If I help find you something to eat
- will you then leave?

GIANT

Yes - and that's a giant promise. Which is twice as big as a pee-wee promise.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE - A SHORT TIME LATER

A table labelled 'Biggest Vegetable' holds a giant turnip, a giant head of broccoli, a giant chilli pepper and a pea the size of a tennis ball. The village square is decorated for the following day's 'Titchington's Got Vegetables' competition - there's bunting strung between buildings and long tables with various vegetables lined up on them. It's dark and quiet.

CUT ACROSS TO:

JACK and the GIANT are on the edge of the village sneaking in. They speak in hushed tones.

JACK

People can't know you're here. You need to be very quiet.

GIANT

Don't worry. I can actually be very dainty.

The GIANT walks - SMACK! - straight into a metal 'Welcome To Titchington' sign that arches over the road.

GIANT (CONT'D)

(loud)

Argh! Who put that there?

JACK

Shush!

GIANT

Sorry, yes, dainty. Got it.

JACK tiptoes out into the square, followed by the GIANT - who then walks into a string of bunting. He flails around getting tangled up then stumbles into a mop and bucket propped against a wall - kicking the metal bucket and sending it clattering across the cobbled square. Silence once more. The Giant whispers.

GIANT (CONT'D)

Jack?

JACK

Yes?

GIANT

I kicked over a mop and bucket, sorry.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME exits. She lights her pipe, then throws the match to the floor. It illuminates a <u>giant</u> footprint. She kneels down, runs her finger along the footprint, sniffs it then licks it. She spits the dirt out.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

A giant!

(spits again)

And a bit of cow pat.

She follows the footsteps away from the house.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

As JACK and the GIANT creep past the display tables we see some of the other categories and vegetables: 'Smallest Vegetable', 'Widest Vegetable' and 'Best Supporting Vegetable'. They talk in hushed tones.

GIANT

This is a lot of walking and not a lot of eating.

They reach the 'Biggest Vegetable' table - JACK struggles to pick up the giant turnip.

JACK

There you go!

GIANT

I'm not eating that guff. It's been in the ground! Have you got anything more meaty ... perhaps with arms?

Then! The sound of sniffing - followed by footsteps. They both freeze.

JACK

Did you hear that sniff? It's The Woman With No Name. Quick!

JACK rolls the massive turnip to the GIANT who hides round the side of a building - just as THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME steps into the square. She peers at JACK, suspicious.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Well, well, well - what have we here?

JACK

I'm Jack. We met earlier.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME I know that! I mean why aren't you at your party?

JACK

I just wanted to check out the nominees for Titchington's Got Vegetables.

(picks up a tomato)
I'll have to disqualify this tomato
 it's technically a fruit.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME It stinks of giant around here.

JACK

That's probably me - I forgot to have my annual bath.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Something's not right. Leaving your own party to stand alone in the square at the end of a trail of giant footprints? Hmmm. You're up to something. I'm gonna work it out.

(starts to walk away)
Until then. I'm not taking my eyes
off you. Not even for a second!

She makes the sign of two eyes looking, then walks away - backwards, keeping her eyes on JACK, crashing into tables, knocking things off. She leaves the village square and the GIANT steps out of the darkness holding the turnip.

GIANT

That was close! So, is it your birthday?

JACK

What? No.

GIANT

Because she said they were having a party for you.

JACK looks nervous.

Oh, yes - it is my birthday. Sorry, I forgot.

The GIANT looks at him sternly.

GIANT

Odd you'd forget that. Mind you - I'm forgetting loads today. Forgot to get you a present 'n all.

The GIANT looks around, takes a small radish from a display table and gives it to JACK.

GIANT (CONT'D)

Happy birthday Jack.

JACK

Thanks. That's the best present I've had today.

Jack puts the radish in his pocket.

EXT. FOREST CLEARING - EVENING

JACK's trying to light a little pile of twigs while the GIANT sits looking at the turnip with disgust.

GIANT

Do I have to eat this?

JACK

It's that or nothing.

The GIANT reluctantly takes a bite of the turnip. He chews grumpily ... then a look of pleasure crosses his face and his chewing speeds up. He takes another bite.

GIANT

(mouth full)

This is actually delicious!

(chews)

Far tastier than a pee-wee! What's it called again?

JACK

Turnip.

GIANT

I can't wait to tell the other giants about these turn-ups.

JACK rubs sticks, trying to light the fire. It's only smouldering.

GIANT (CONT'D)

Need a hand with that?

JACK holds out the sticks to him. The GIANT pushes them away and inhales deeply and blows. His breath flammable ignites the embers and the fire roars into life.

JACK

Wow, that really stinks.

GIANT

Worked though, didn't it?

JACK

Well, you've got food. You've got a fire. I guess I'll leave you to it.

GIANT

Alright. See you tomorrow.

JACK

Er ... yes.

The GIANT reaches out and unexpectedly hugs JACK. JACK looks confused. They separate. JACK walks off.

GIANT

And well done Jack.

JACK stops and turns.

JACK

What?

GIANT

Well done. For doing all this for me.

JACK

No one's ever really said "well done" to me before.

GIANT

Really? Not even your mum?

JACK

No, she thinks I'm an idiot.

GIANT

Well you're very clever, she should. My mum used to say "well done" to me all the time. She's up there somewhere, looking down on me.

JACK

Oh, I'm so sorry that she died.

GIANT

No, she's not dead. She's just up there, in the clouds - in Giant Land. Look - if you squint a bit, you can just make out my castle...

JACK stands beside the GIANT, both staring at the sky. After a moment a cloud morphs into a hazy silhouette of a castle. JACK smiles.

JACK

Oh yeah! Your mum must be missing you. My ma won't be missing me - she's fuming.

GIANT

Even if she's fuming, she'll be missing you. She's a mum - that's what they do.

JACK

Not mine. But it is my fault, I swapped our cow for some magic beans.

GIANT

Magic beans? Sounds like the deal
of the century!

JACK

D'you think so?

The GIANT offers him some turnip - he takes it and eats it. JACK settles next to the GIANT.

GIANT

Yeah! An 'ordinary' cow - they're ten a penny. But 'magic' stuff - very rare. What did these magic beans do?

JACK

They grew the beanstalk - the one that could've got you back to your castle.

GIANT

It's a good castle 'n all. Cosy. Nothing fancy - just a bed, a singing harp and a magic hen that lays golden eggs that's weirdly the same size as a pee-wee hen.

JACK

(sheepish)

Oh, I've never heard of - or recently seen - anything like a magic hen.

GIANT

Yeah. It's a shame I'm stuck down here otherwise I'd give you one of them golden eggs - then you could buy your mum's cow back.

JACK

That's very kind. I just wish I knew how to get you home.

(realisation)

Actually - there might be a way. I'll be back in the morning. Stay here.

JACK runs off excitedly.

JACK (CONT'D)

(shouting)

If anyone comes, try not to look so tall.

The GIANT's confused.

INT. JACK'S COTTAGE - NEXT MORNING

In a bed in the corner, JACK opens one eye - to check PAT's still asleep in her bed in the other corner.

JACK cautiously sneaks out of his bed and creeps towards the cupboard, past the sleeping MAGIC HEN. He opens the cupboard door - it squeaks. JACK looks around - PAT stirs, but stays asleep. He reaches in and picks up the gold coins. He glances up at a picture hanging on the wall - an accurate chalk drawing on slate of him and PAT - and mouths "Sorry mum!" But as he shuts the door one of the gold coins slips and clanks on the floor - the MAGIC HEN wakes and squawks. JACK turns to see PAT standing behind him.

PAT

What you doing with them coins?

She snatches them back.

JACK

Sorry ma. I was going to...

(thinks)

...take them to market and buy our cow back. I know now that swapping Daisy for those beans was a silly mistake.

PAT

No offence, but I can't really trust you cos you are a bit dim.

Please. Just give me a chance. Let me show how much I've learned from you.

PAT

Well I am very good at homeschooling. OK then - straight there, buy the cow, straight back. But Jack, this is your last chance.

PAT slowly hands over the coins. JACK smiles nervously.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE - MOMENTS LATER

JACK strides into the market. He then spots a stall: "Dodgy Dave". Behind it stands DODGY DAVE himself, a shifty trader with an array of bizarre items on his table and DAISY the cow tied up behind him. DODGY DAVE eats a sausage roll.

DODGY DAVE

Invisible hats! Get your invisible hats here! You'll never see one finer. Or see one at all.

JACK approaches. DODGY DAVE holds up each item he mentions.

DODGY DAVE (CONT'D)

Yes young man, what can I interest you in - invisible hat? Talking gravel? Fireproof twig?

JACK

You don't remember me?

DODGY DAVE

Oh wait. Is this about those 'magic' beans? Sorry, no refunds. You can't have your cow back. Should've read the small print on the side of the bean: "magic beans are not actually magic".

JACK

But the beans were magic.

DODGY DAVE

Don't mug me off.

JACK

It's true. They grew into a massive beanstalk.

DODGY DAVE

Well I never. My first satisfied customer in thirty years.

I need to grow another beanstalk. Have you got any more? I'll trade you these...

JACK tips out the gold coins and DODGY DAVE's eyes light up. He desperately searches around his wares, eventually picking up a bucket marked 'Magic Beans'.

DODGY DAVE

Oh - it's empty.

JACK sighs and puts his coins away.

DODGY DAVE (CONT'D)

Don't put those away cos ... I've actually got something better than magic beans.

JACK

What?

DODGY DAVE

It is ... this ... magic...

DODGY DAVE looks at the sausage roll he's eating.

DODGY DAVE (CONT'D)

...sausage roll?

JACK

OK. Here's the deal: I'll swap you these gold coins for that magic sausage roll ... AND our cow.

DODGY DAVE

Haggling. I like it. I'll meet you in the middle: all your gold coins for my magic sausage roll, and I keep the cow.

JACK

That's not haggling - that's just repeating what you said in a slightly different way.

DODGY DAVE

Final offer.

JACK

Fine.

DODGY DAVE snatches the coins from JACK and hands him the half-eaten sausage roll.

DODGY DAVE

Well, it's been lovely ripping you off-- I mean doing business with you.

MAYORESS (O.S.)

(upset)

Attention everyone! Don't panic. But we've been attacked by another giant!

VILLAGERS

Aaaarrghhhh! / Giant! / Run for your lives!

The VILLAGERS panic and run around, screaming - knocking over the 'Titchington's Got Vegetables' tables.

EXT. FOREST CLEARING

The GIANT hears the screams of "Giant!" Intrigued, he looks towards the village.

INT. JACK'S COTTAGE

PAT hears the same commotion - and looks out her window, concerned. She grabs her coat and walks out.

EXT. ENTRANCE TO VILLAGE

The GIANT creeps out of the forest and up to the edge of the village - ducking at the last minute to avoid hitting his head on the metal 'Welcome To Titchington' sign.

GIANT

Not this time!

The GIANT hides down an alleyway beside 'Gregg's Bakery'.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

MAYORESS

(shouting)

I said <u>don't</u> panic!

BUTCHER

I bet he's the one who killed all my underfed cattle.

BAKER

I bet he's the one who pinched a sausage roll while I was in the toilet.

Sheepish Dodgy Dave and wipes pastry crumbs off his shirt.

CANDLESTICK MAKER

Yeah! I bet he's the one who stole all of our hair.

The VILLAGERS look confused.

MAYORESS

It's so much more tragic: he took
my turnip!

JACK

Is that it?

MAYORESS

It wasn't a normal turnip, it was a really big one - for the competition. Took me ages to grow. How would you feel if a giant stole your turnip?

JACK

How can we be sure it was a giant?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (O.S.)

Easy.

Sinister music. REVEAL: THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME is looking at a large footprint on the floor. She takes a pinch of the dirt, tastes it - then recoils and spits it out.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D)

This is a giant's footprint. And it tastes fresh...

(spits)

Ugh, a bit of squirrel wee.

(then)

People of Titchington - I promise you I will hunt down and kill that evil beast!

The VILLAGERS cheer.

JACK

Eating turnips doesn't make you evil.

Everyone turns to look at JACK.

JACK (CONT'D)

Isn't it better that the giant - if there is one - ate a turnip instead of one of us? Maybe this giant is a nice one.

The GIANT, peeking out from behind the bakery, smiles on hearing this. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME strides up to JACK.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME "A nice one"? Eugh. If you love giants so much why don't you marry them?

JACK

I don't love giants, I'm just saying maybe some giants are like us - sometimes they get sad, scared and lonely.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME leans into JACK and sniffs him.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (quietly to JACK)

You seem to know an awful lot about giants.

JACK looks across the village square and is shocked to see the GIANT peeking out from behind the bakery.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D) Ignore this stupid boy everyone - let's form a mob! Grab your pitchforks!

BUTCHER

I haven't got a pitchfork, but I have got a normal fork.

The BUTCHER holds up a normal fork.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Whatever! Follow me. Let's kill ourselves a giant!

The mob of VILLAGERS roar. JACK sneaks away from the crowd and heads towards the GIANT.

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY

JACK

What are you doing here? I told you to stay in the forest!

GIANT

They were shouting about giants! I thought they might've been saying nice things. They weren't. I hope you know we don't actually do any of those things they were saying.

JACK peers back round the corner to see the mob heading their way.

JACK

Oh no. They're coming this way!

JACK desperately looks around, but it's a dead end! JACK and the GIANT share a terrified look.

END OF PART TWO

PART THREE

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.)

Jack and his new best friend were cornered while The Woman With No Name closed in. And despite having the whole of the advert break to think of a way to escape, Jack had nothing.

GIANT

Bring 'em on! I'll eat them all!!

JACK

You can't! She'll kill you!

The GIANT roars and lashes out, punching a hole in the bakery wall. Bags of flour tumble out. The GIANT's fist is white with flour.

JACK (CONT'D)

That's it!

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

The jeering mob crosses the entrance to the bakery alley. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME suddenly stops them all - they turn to look down the alleyway; in front of them stands a nonchalant-looking JACK and what looks like a stone statue (actually just the GIANT covered in flour, holding a pose) - JACK subtly drops a bag of flour behind his feet.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

What the hell is this?

BUTCHER

That's Pat's son, Jack.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Yes I know. I'm talking about the 'thing' he's stood next to?

JACK

This? Oh, this is a statue I made in your honour. Because you're right - you do deserve one, for all the giants you've killed.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

(suspicious)

You made this? For me?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME steps up to examine the statue. She prods the GIANT a few times in the ribs - his eyes widen slightly with each poke.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D)

I'd have preferred one of \underline{me} . This one's a bit ugly.

She laughs and taps the burning ash from her pipe onto the GIANT's hand.

GIANT

(muffled pain)

Mmm!!

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

What was that noise?

JACK

That was me. I was agreeing with vou.

(deep voice)

"Mmm. They are all ugly."

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Well, I do deserve one. Yeah. I like it.

CANDLESTICK MAKER

Well I don't. It celebrates giants! Tear it down.

BUTCHER

But if we were to tear it down, would we too easily forget an important chapter of our chequered history?

BAKER

'Ere! Someone's done a hole in my wall and half-inched my flour!

The BAKER points to a pile of empty flour sacks. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME squats down to examine them. She dabs a finger into the flour and tastes it.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

It's that thievin' giant!

Gasps from the VILLAGERS.

Now I think about it, I did see a very very tall man leaving this alley with bags of flour.

BUTCHER

Where was he headed?

JACK

Certainly not here. I think he said something about a 'forest'?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Shhhhh!

(sniffs)

I can smell him from here. He's in the forest!

They all turn and leave. The GIANT lets out a deep rumbling fart. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME spins back round to see JACK wafting away a cloud of flour, coughing.

JACK

Sorry. Had a lot of cabbage.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME and VILLAGERS charging off towards the forest passing an anxious PAT who scans the square, looking for JACK. She spots DAISY tied up behind DODGY DAVE's stall - while he's buffing his giant gold coins.

PAT

Hey! Where did you get those from?

DODGY DAVE

From some dumb kid. He swapped 'em for a sausage roll! What a mug. (suddenly serious)
Gotta blame the parents though, haven't you?

PAT storms off, looking around.

PAT

JACK?!?

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY

The GIANT dusts the flour off himself.

GIANT

I heard what you said in the square - when they were all being rude about giants.

Well they're wrong about you.

GIANT

Jack - you've always been a good friend. Probably. Can't really remember.

JACK

I just think you should treat people the way you want to be treated.

GIANT

That's very wise.

JACK

But there's no changing their minds - they believe giants are to blame for everything. So we've just got to get you home to your mum before they find you. And I think I've found a way!

GIANT

Really? How?

JACK

With this...

JACK pulls the sausage roll out of his pocket.

GIANT

Standing on that isn't going to get me high enough to reach the clouds.

JACK

No! It's a <u>magic</u> sausage roll. I swapped it for some gold c-...

(catching himself)

Doesn't matter what I swapped it for. All we need to do is plant this, it grows up into the sky - you climb home.

GIANT

Just when I thought you couldn't get any clevererer!

JACK

Come on.

JACK and the GIANT turn to leave the dead end. But at that moment an angry PAT rounds the corner - and sees the GIANT.

PAT

Arrrggggggghhhhhhhhh!

EXT. FOREST

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME is leading the mob of VILLAGERS. They hear the scream and turn around to look back at the village.

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY

JACK hears the rumble of the mob approaching.

JACK

(to PAT)

Shh!

(to GIANT)

Get out of here - quick!

The GIANT runs off.

EXT. ENTRANCE TO VILLAGE

As the GIANT flees the village he forgets about the low 'Welcome To Titchington' sign. BANG! He whacks his head on it and falls to the ground - out cold! JACK runs over, concerned; THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME and VILLAGERS arrive to see JACK standing over the GIANT's body.

BUTCHER

Jack killed another giant!

CANDLESTICK MAKER

All hail Jack the Giant Killer!

The crowd cheers. Upset JACK holds back tears. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME steps up and examines the GIANT's face.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

He's still breathing.

CANDLESTICK MAKER

Alright then - all hail Jack the Giant-Knocker-Downer!

JACK is lifted onto the shoulders of the VILLAGERS and paraded around. Despite their adulation, he's heartbroken.

VILLAGERS

Jack! Jack! Jack!

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME scowls at him, suspiciously.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE - LATER

Darkness. From the GIANT's POV an eyelid opens. REVEAL: the GIANT is tied to a stake - over a pile of logs. VILLAGERS gawp at him.

MAYORESS

So there's sad news: I'm afraid Titchington's Got Vegetables has been cancelled, because a giant went and ruined it for everyone by stealing what was sure to be the winning turnip.

VILLAGERS boo and jeer.

MAYORESS (CONT'D)

But the good news is, instead, we're going to barbecue the giant and eat him!

The GIANT growls as he tries to wriggle free, but can't.

GTANT

If anyone's getting eaten it'll be you!

The CANDLESTICK MAKER and BAKER are standing nearby.

CANDLESTICK MAKER

Oh that's ironic - they eat us, but they don't like it when we eat them.

BAKER

That's not ironic as such, it's more hypocritical.

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME walks into the alley - and sees that the statue is missing.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Strange.

She looks at the floor, there's a flour silhouette showing where the giant's feet were. She dips her finger in the flour, tastes it - and looks intrigued.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

The GIANT struggles in vain against his ropes. JACK runs up to the MAYORESS.

JACK

Mayoress - I think I felt some rain. Perhaps we should do the barbecue another day?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME approaches them.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Jack. Got a little question for ya: you know that statue you kindly made for me?

JACK

Yes.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME It looks exactly like $\underline{\text{this}}$ giant. Amazing coincidence.

MAYORESS

Gosh. What were the chances?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Actually not "looks". "Looked". Because the statue seems to have gone missing.

JACK's unsure what to say.

JACK

Perhaps it was stolen by <u>another</u> giant?

MAYORESS

Another one? I can't keep up...

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (attracting a crowd)

Jack, tell us all how a scrawny little boy like you, with absolutely no weapons, managed to fell a huge, massive, angry, stinking giant like this? I'm sure we'd all love to hear.

VILLAGERS

Yes! / Tell us Jack! / How did you do it?

JACK

Well. Um. You know. The usual way.

VILLAGERS

Makes sense! / Watertight! / I have no follow-up questions.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Come on Jack, I'm sure there's more. Give us all the juicy, gory details.

VILLAGERS

Yes! / Tell us more! / Give us the juicy details!

Right. Um. So. Well. We had a big fight ... and then ... I beat him.

VILLAGERS

What a tale! / So exciting! / So many juicy details!

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

(sarcastic)

Wow. What a story. You must really hate giants.

JACK

Uh-huh.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME points to the GIANT.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Well this is probably a good time to tell him what you really think.

VILLAGERS

Yeah! / Tell him!

The VILLAGERS fall silent. The GIANT looks to JACK.

JACK

(shouting)

Hey! You big, mean giant!

The VILLAGERS cheer. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME watches the GIANT's reaction closely.

GIANT

(hurt)

What?

JACK

No one likes you! You're a monster! I wish you'd just go back to where you came from! I hate you!

The VILLAGERS cheer. The GIANT looks defeated.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Well that was fun. Time for a giant barbeque!

JACK strides away, his heartbreak hidden from the crowd. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME smiles evilly. More logs are thrown around the GIANT.

INT. JACK'S COTTAGE - A SHORT TIME LATER

JACK hastily enters, searching for something.

Ma! Have you seen my axe?

PAT steps out of the shadows.

PAT

What are you doing hanging out with evil giants?

JACK stops in his tracks.

JACK

He's not evil. Please ma, I just need to find my axe.

PAT

And why did you swap our gold coins for a <u>sausage roll</u>? Yeah, I know about that. Jack - you promised!

JACK

I'm sorry, I haven't got time for this. I need to save my friend.

PAT

I don't know what's happened to you Jack. Hanging out with our enemies, giving away our gold - but worst of all: lying to your mum.

(then)

Get out.

JACK finds his axe and picks it up.

PAT (CONT'D)

I said GET OUT!

PAT opens the door and waits.

JACK

At least the giant's mum loves him.

Heavy-hearted, JACK looks to PAT, then leaves. He slams the door behind him causing the picture of them to fall off the wall and break in two. PAT picks up the two cracked pieces - PAT is on one, JACK on the other. She slowly puts the pieces back together and a look of regret crosses her face.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

It's packed with VILLAGERS preparing for the barbeque. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME approaches the glum-looking GIANT.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME
You must be the worst giant getting knocked out by a small boy.

The GIANT's head remains bowed.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D)

Yeah, you're not so big now, are ya?

The GIANT slowly and angrily raises his head.

GIANT

I'm gonna grind your bones to make my bread!

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Not that old chestnut?

GIANT

Then I'm gonna deep fry your ears to make my crisps.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Not if I fry you first.

GIANT

And then I'm gonna par-boil your knees to make ... a sort of kneegratin.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME
I'm gonna tell you something, and
I'm not just saying it because
you're tied up and unable to eat
me: you giants disgust me. You're
horrible, ugly, vile monsters. And
I will not stop till I kill every
single one of your kind. I spit on
you...

(hacking for a while)

GIANT

Are you OK?

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME I'm trying to spit, but my mouth's too dry.

Away from the GIANT, DODGY DAVE stands on a barrel.

DODGY DAVE

People of Titchington, gather round!

VILLAGERS, including THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME, gather round DODGY DAVE. As they do so, JACK sneaks towards the GIANT.

DODGY DAVE (CONT'D)

Before we get onto our main course of giant-burgers it's time for the raffle! VILLAGERS expectantly hold up raffle tickets.

DODGY DAVE (CONT'D)
Let's start with third prize - this
top of the range en suite bathroom!

VILLAGERS make impressed noises until DODGY DAVE holds up a wooden bucket - they then sound disappointed. The GIANT sees JACK.

GIANT

Get away from me.

JACK

Shhh! I'm here to save you. I'm so sorry about what I said earlier. I didn't mean any of it.

GIANT

I thought we were friends?!

JACK

We are. I had to say it 'cos they were watching.

Back with DODGY DAVE's raffle.

DODGY DAVE

Second prize! For those of you who love animals, it's a family season ticket ... to the abattoir.

Back with JACK.

JACK

Don't move.

JACK raises the axe above his head. The GIANT winces.

Suddenly! A glass eye flies through the air and knocks the axe out of JACK's hand. JACK spins around to see ... THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME, standing in the centre of the square, with a reloaded eyepatch aimed directly at him. The VILLAGERS turn to see what's happening.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME I knew it! They're working together! This traitor is helping that 'orrible giant escape.

JACK

This giant is my friend.

Gasps from the VILLAGERS.

JACK (CONT'D)

He doesn't want to eat anybody - he just wants to get home to his mum.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Shut up! I told you this kid was no giant-killer. He's a giant-lover - one of the enemy. Let's burn him too!

The VILLAGERS and surge forward - but PAT runs into the square - and steps in front of the mob.

PAT

Stop!

JACK

Ma?

PAT

What have you become? He's just a boy. What sort of a town behaves like this? I'm ashamed of Titchington. And you should be ashamed of yourselves.

The VILLAGERS fall silent, chastised.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME You know what, after hearing what Pat's had to say, I don't think we should burn the boy and the giant. We should burn all three of 'em!

A big cheer. VILLAGERS overpower PAT and JACK as the GIANT struggles fruitlessly against his ropes. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME replaces her eyepatch, picks up JACK's axe and puts it in her belt.

CUT TO:

PAT and JACK are now tied to stakes too.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D) OK everyone - it's barbecue time!

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME grabs a flaming torch from the BAKER and lights the barbecue. JACK looks to PAT in terror.

END OF PART THREE

PART FOUR

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

The flames are getting closer to JACK, PAT and the GIANT.

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.) Having been caught by The Woman With No Name ... (MORE)

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.) (CONT'D)

also known as Janet ... things were hotting up for Jack, Pat and the Giant.

JACK

I'm sorry ma.

PAT

This isn't your fault Jack. I want you to know, before...

(looks around, then)
I was only ever hard on you because
I love you. I wanted to toughen you
up 'cos the world's a scary place.
There are people who want to rip
you off, steal from you ...
barbecue you. I was trying to
protect you - didn't really work,
did it? All that time calling you
stupid - but I'm the stupid one.

GIANT

Don't be so tough on yourself Mrs Jack. You've done a great job with your boy. He's friendly, kind, smart. Like, he hid me - a massive giant - from that 'orrible lot. He stopped me eating people - and got me onto turnips. He even disguised me as a statue. Kid's a genius.

PAT

Really? You did all that Jack? By yourself?

JACK

I was just trying to get my friend home, back to his mum. Like I promised.

PAT takes this in for a moment.

PAT

Well done.

JACK

What?

PAT

Well done. I couldn't be prouder.

As the flames creep closer, JACK smiles.

GIANT

Beautiful. Wish I could speak to my mum one last time.

He lets out an enormous sigh. As he does so his stinky breath ignites on the flames for a moment.

JACK

Wait. Your stinky giant breath!

GIANT

Alright! Talk about kicking a giant when he's down.

JACK

No! Take a deep breath.

The GIANT looks confused, but does as he's told.

JACK (CONT'D)

Now blow into the fire!

The GIANT blows - his breath ignites in the flames.

JACK (CONT'D)

Now point the flames at my ropes!

PAT

Jack!? Careful!

The GIANT his burning breath at JACK's ropes, they burn up and loosen. JACK wriggles out of them. He's free!

JACK

OK! Stop!

PAT

Very clever Jack! Now untie me!

JACK quickly runs round and unties the GIANT's ropes.

PAT (CONT'D)

Why are you doing him first?

JACK

There isn't time to untie both of you. Trust me!

JACK releases the GIANT. The flames approach PAT's feet. SUDDENLY the GIANT rips open her ropes and drags her away from the fire. A glass eye flies past the GIANT's head.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (O.S.)

Don't let them get away!

JACK

Run!

The GIANT, JACK and PAT run off followed by the mob. Just as they turn a corner the GIANT pulls them into an alleyway and the mob runs straight past. The GIANT, JACK and PAT reemerge and head in the other direction.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE - A SHORT TIME LATER

The GIANT, JACK and PAT run up to the cottage.

JACK

Let's get you home! Start digging.

The GIANT digs while JACK takes DODGY DAVE's half-eaten sausage roll out of his pocket.

PAT

This is your plan? Plant a sausage roll?

JACK

It'll work - it has to work. I need to succeed at something. I know I failed at selling our cow - and I failed at buying it back again ... in fact, the only time anyone celebrated me was when they thought I was a giant killer.

GIANT

Giant killer?!

The GIANT stops dead and stares at JACK - who freezes, realising he's said too much.

GIANT (CONT'D)

Why would they think you were a giant killer?

JACK

What? I dunno, they make up all sorts.

JACK frantically digs, but reveals ... the MAGIC HARP.

MAGIC HARP

(singing)

Don't trust a word, Of what Jack has said, He chopped the beanstalk, And left you dead.

JACK frantically throws dirt back over it. As the GIANT processes the HARP and its song, memories flood back.

GIANT

We're not friends - you lied to me! I remember now... you're that pee-wee thief!

The GIANT menacingly strides up to JACK.

JACK

No, we ARE friends!

GIANT

SILENCE, PEE-WEE! I should've eaten you when I had the chance! This time I'll do it properly.

The GIANT lifts JACK up, opens his mouth and goes to bite his neck. PAT tries to push the GIANT away but it's no good. JACK winces. But then ... the GIANT puts him down.

GIANT (CONT'D)

Can't do it.

The GIANT slumps down on the floor.

GIANT (CONT'D)

What kind of giant can't even eat a pee-wee?

JACK

A nice one?

(then)

I'm sorry. I don't blame you for being angry.

GIANT

Did you only pretend to be my friend so I wouldn't eat you?

JACK

No! No. Well, at first - yeah. But then I got to know you. All the stuff we've been through, I didn't have to do any of that. But I wanted to.

GIANT

Yeah. That is true I suppose.

JACK

And I meant it when I promised I'd get you home.

The GIANT nods, and smiles. JACK throws the sausage roll in the hole and they cover it with soil.

GIANT

I'm glad I didn't eat you just then Jack. Because you'd be all chewed-up in my tummy and we couldn't have had that chat.

JACK and the GIANT step back ... and wait. Nothing.

JACK

You were right all along, ma. I am an idiot. It's not a magic sausage roll - it's a normal sausage roll.

PAT

Jack, it's not your fault. It's that chancer Dodgy Dave - he's the one who convinced you that those stupid beans were magic.

GIANT

But Jack. They were magic.

JACK

Well. I believed they were.

PAT

So what you're saying is: you believed in the beans and the beans grew? Maybe ... you just have to believe in the sausage roll.

JACK squeezes his eyes shut and concentrates.

JACK

Alright ... believe in the sausage roll. Believe in the sausage roll. Believe in the sausage roll.

JACK opens his eyes. Nothing.

JACK (CONT'D)

This is stupid.

PAT closes her eyes.

PAT

Believe in the sausage roll.

The GIANT holds her hand and closes his eyes.

PAT & GIANT

Believe in the sausage roll.

At that moment THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME and the VILLAGERS emerge from the forest.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

There they are!

She loads her eyepatch slingshot; JACK has no choice - he holds his mother's other hand and closes his eyes.

JACK, PAT & GIANT

Believe in the sausage roll.

She aims at the GIANT, but there's a rumbling. PAT leans forward to see the soil vibrating. Suddenly the sausage roll grows at an incredible rate, shooting upwards - and lifting PAT up by the stomach!

PAT

Heeeeeeelp!

JACK

Mum!

The shocked VILLAGERS stare in awe at the enormous sausage roll which is still growing, its tip now up in the clouds with PAT still desperately clinging on. A glass eye flies past, narrowly missing him.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Stop that giant!

The GIANT climbs the sausage roll. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME takes JACK's axe from her belt and hacks at the base of the sausage roll. PAT holds onto the top for dear life.

JACK

Stop! Mum's up there.

The chopping motion causes the giant sausage roll to wobble. PAT loses her grip ... and falls!

PAT

Aaaaaarrrrggghhhh!

The VILLAGERS stop in their tracks and watch, horrified, as PAT hurtles towards the ground.

JACK

Mum!

Everyone holds their breath. Just in time, the GIANT reaches out and grabs PAT's arm. The VILLAGERS cheer.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Don't cheer that evil giant!

BUTCHER

He can't be that evil - he saved Pat's life.

But the GIANT loses his grip and falls to the floor, still clutching PAT. Free from their weight, the sausage roll pings back in the other direction, snaps at the base and falls towards THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME. She drops the axe and runs away - but the shadow of the felled sausage roll grows over her as it tumbles to the ground. It crashes down right on top of her.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME Help! I'm trapped under several

tonnes of pork! Do something!

The VILLAGERS attempt to lift the sausage roll - but can't. But then ... the GIANT steps through the crowd.

GIANT

Stand back pee-wees.

The GIANT lifts the sausage roll off THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME. She scrambles backwards, away from him.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

Don't hurt me! I'm sorry!

The GIANT offers a hand up to THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME. She cautiously reaches out. The GIANT pulls her to her feet.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME (CONT'D)

You ... saved my life?

GIANT

Someone once told me - you should always treat people how you want to be treated.

GIANT smiles at JACK, who smiles back. THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME crosses her fingers behind her back.

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME

I promise to do that from now on.

BUTCHER

But you're a giant - I thought you come here to eat people, not save them?

JACK

Actually they mainly come down here to collect water.

GIANT

Granted, we have eaten the occasional pee-wee - but I promise you if I fed the other giants turnups as delicious as the Mayoress's, we'd never eat another pee-wee again. Apart from at Christmas.

JACK

No!

GIANT

You're right, you're right. Never again.

MAYORESS

Thank you kind Giant for saving two Titchingtonians.

MAYORESS pats GIANT halfway up the back. Unseen by all, THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME pulls off her eyepatch, loads it with another glass eye and aims it at the GIANT's head.

JACK

No!

JACK reaches into his pocket and pulls out the tiny radish the GIANT gave him for his 'birthday'. He lobs the radish at THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME and it hits her good eye, causing her to misfire; the glass eye ricochets around and hits DODGY DAVE in the bum.

DODGY DAVE

Ouch!

MAYORESS

Grab her! And throw her in the village jail for shooting that innocent ... fraudster!

THE WOMAN WITH NO NAME is restrained and dragged away.

MAYORESS (CONT'D)

And thank you Jack the Giant-Saver.

VILLAGERS

Hooray!

PAT proudly hugs her son. JACK smiles, but his smile fades.

GIANT

Jack? Why do you look so sad?

JACK looks to the fallen giant sausage roll.

JACK

I can't get you home to your mum - and I promised.

GIANT

Haven't you learned anything? All we need is a normal sausage roll, then we just have to believe in it.

A twinkle in JACK's eye. He turns to the crowd.

JACK

Does anyone here have a sausage roll?

BAKER

I've got a vegan one?

The BAKER pulls out a sausage roll from his apron.

QUICK CUT TO:

The vegan sausage roll is thrown in the ground and earth shovelled onto it.

QUICK CUT TO:

JACK

Believe in the vegan sausage roll!

JACK gestures for the crowd to join in with him. PAT steps back to get well clear this time.

EVERYONE

Believe in the vegan sausage roll! Believe in the vegan sausage roll!

The vegan sausage roll begins to grow! It rises up into the sky as they chant until it reaches the clouds. The VILLAGERS cheer. The GIANT steps up to JACK and kneels.

GIANT

Well Jack. My friend. It looks like you kept your promise. Goodbye.

The GIANT gives JACK a big hug.

JACK

Goodbye.

PAT (0.S.)

Wait!

PAT runs over holding the MAGIC HEN.

PAT (CONT'D)

I believe this is yours.

GIANT

Thank you. And I believe I promised Jack one of these...

The GIANT takes the MAGIC HEN and squeezes it under his arm — it squawks and lays a golden egg which the GIANT catches and gives to ${\tt JACK.}$

GIANT (CONT'D)

Buy your cow back. Just try not to swap this for a magic pasty.

The GIANT smiles. So does JACK. The GIANT steps up to the giant vegan sausage roll and starts climbing, the MAGIC HEN perched on his shoulder.

GIANT (CONT'D)

(shouting)

Mum! I'm coming home!

The VILLAGERS cheer. PAT puts an arm around JACK as they watch the GIANT climb up into the clouds - and home.

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.)

And that's just about the end of our story.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE - WEEKS LATER

JACK is guiding DAISY as she ploughs the field behind the cottage. A sign reads "Jack's Farm".

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.)
Pat, Jack - and Daisy - started up
a new business, 'Jack's Farm',
which specialised in growing normalsized, non-magic beans.

JACK stops and looks at the giant vegan sausage roll still sticking up from the centre of his field - then squints up into the clouds.

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.) Titchington was still regularly visited by giants. But these days it wasn't to eat pee-wees.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE

The MAYORESS places a giant turnip on an outdoor table.

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY

The BAKER puts a bag of flour outside his bakery.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE

JACK places three barrels of water near the sausage roll.

EXT. VILLAGE SQUARE - NEXT MORNING

The MAYORESS returns to the table to find a golden egg and no turnip. She picks it up and smiles.

EXT. BAKERY ALLEYWAY - SAME MORNING

The BAKER also finds a golden egg where the flour was - and a note that reads "Thank you. Much tastier than ground bones!" The BAKER smiles.

EXT. JACK'S COTTAGE - SAME MORNING

Where the barrels were, JACK finds an egg box. He opens it up - inside are six golden eggs. He smiles and looks up at the clouds.

DAVID WALLIAMS (V.O.)

But somehow Jack always knew when it had been his giant who'd visited.

GIANT (O.S.)

Oof!

EXT. ENTRANCE TO VILLAGE

The 'Welcome to Titchington' sign is dented - and swinging.

INT. OAK-PANELLED STUDY - EVENING

DAVID WALLIAMS

And this time, they really did live happily ever after. Which goes to prove that just because someone's different to you, it doesn't mean you can't get along. Then together the giants and pee-wees went to war against their common enemy - the elves. Night-night.

ALT 1

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D)

And this time, they really did live happily ever after. Which just goes to show - some people appear mean, but if you get to know them you might be surprised at how nice they really are. Except for Simon Cowell. Night-night.

ALT 2

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D)

And this time, they really did live happily ever after. And then they all got into a space rocket and flew to the moon. Wow. Unexpected twist at the end there. Nightnight.

ALT 3

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D)

And this time Jack, Pat and the Giant really did live happily ever after.

(then)

Ahh ... but what happened <u>after</u> After Ever After? I haven't got a clue. Night-night.

ALT 4

DAVID WALLIAMS (CONT'D)
And this time, they really did live
happily ever after. And that's a
true story. Night-night.

Credits roll.

DAVID walks up to the bookshelves to put the book away - but it's much too tall for the shelves. He tries to force it in at an angle, but it won't go. After a few moments DAVID gives up and throws the book on the roaring fire. It goes up a treat.

END