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Lesson 7C—Uncommon Fairy Tale

Directions: Read the following. Replace the italicized words with synonyms from the Writer's Notebook and a thesaurus. Use words that will make the common story much more interesting.

Jack and the Beanstalk

There once was a *boy* who lived on a *small farm* with his mother and their *cow*. They were very *poor*. A mean *giant* who lived in a *house* in the *sky* had stolen their *money*.

Jack's mother *sent* him to *town* to *sell* their cow. Instead, he *traded* it for *magic* beans. The beans *grew* into a tall beanstalk. Jack *climbed* the beanstalk into the clouds. Then he *saw* the giant's *home*.

He *asked* the giant's *wife* if he could enter. She let him in because the giant was *sleeping*. He saw a goose that laid *golden eggs*, *sacks* of silver and *gold*, and a golden harp. He *took* them all and *ran* to the beanstalk. The harp *said*, "Master! Master!" The giant *woke* from his *nap* and ran after Jack. He *followed* him down the beanstalk, but Jack *took* his *ax* and *chopped* down the vine. The beanstalk *fell*, and the giant *died*. Jack and his mother *lived happily* ever after.

