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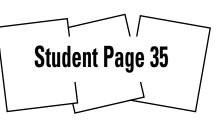## Lesson 1A—Sentence Diagrams

Directions: Diagram each of the sentences below.

1. The cat meowed.

2. The angry cat hissed.

3. The wild cat yowled fiercely.

4. The yellow cat sang through the night.

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.