

In front of the city hall was a large open space, in the center of which stood —. At one side of this was an urn in which — was burning. A dwarf military band struck up as the procession approached, its leader playing on —. The doors of the city hall opened and — appeared on the threshold to announce the King. His Majesty wore — around his neck, and hanging from his belt was —. His crown was made of —, and for ornaments had — and —. He advanced to the bottom step and sat down on —, while ten dwarf slaves fanned him with —, to prevent —, which was flying near, from biting him. An attendant handed the king —, and, holding it aloft, His Majesty made signs that he was about to speak.

Just what the king would have said Billie never knew, for just then he heard his father calling "Seven o'clock!" and woke up to find himself lying on —, while —, which had flown in during the night, was buzzing merrily about the room.

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## Billie's Dream

### DIRECTIONS:

First cut the cards apart. Then select one person to read the story, who evenly distributes the cards among the players. They keep the cards in a pile face downward. The reader pauses at each — in the narrative, and the players, in rotation, beginning at the left of the reader, read their cards, one for each —, thus making the story complete.

## NARRATIVE

It was half past eight when Billie went to bed after eating ——. Five minutes later he was asleep, his head resting on ——. Five minutes more, and he saw, standing by his bed, a funny little man wearing a black robe and tall pointed hat. From his long gray whiskers hung — and his right hand held —, which he waved at Billie, exclaiming, "Wake up! Wake up! and come with me!" Billie would like to have said "No", but the eyes of the dwarf, which were large as — and shone like —, looked at him so compellingly that he had no power to refuse.

The dwarf waved his wand, and Billie's clothes jumped off the foot of the bed and wrapped themselves around him. The wand was waved again and Billie found himself on the roof. Tied to the chimney was —, which, the dwarf said, would bear them away to Dwarfland. Billie got astride —, which the dwarf gave a push. Off they sailed through the night—up, up, up! Billie could see the world far below. He saw a tall chimney, out of which came —, followed by —.

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Sailing down a wide river was —, and — chased — up and down a broad street.

In the city suburbs he noticed a cow lying beside — and chewing —. About 5000 feet above the earth they passed — sailing gaily along, followed by — and —, which had blown from the peak of some high mountain. Suddenly they plunged into a black cloud, so dark that Billie could not see. On they flew, for what seemed to Billie many long hours, when, without warning, they emerged into bright warm sunlight, and far above him Billie saw the edge of the world called Dwarfland.

This was quickly reached, and, as they touched land, a great multitude of dwarfs rushed forward to meet the new arrivals. The leader carried —, which he placed on Billie's head. Then came four of the tiniest dwarfs, bearing —, on which sat a beautiful maiden. Her face reminded Billie of —, and in her mouth she carried —, on which she blew a blast of welcome. At this signal a dozen dwarfs commenced dancing around —, which emitted blue flames when struck with —.

A procession was now formed, and, placing Billie on — drawn by —, the dwarfs marched up a long street to the city hall. The houses were made of clay baked hard by the sun and of various colors. In front of each red house stood —, and each blue house had — on its roof.

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