

Take the Quiz: Chapter seven Backyard quest

1. **What** was Grandma doing on the veranda?

Grandma was on the veranda pouring a cup of tea and watching the twins in the backyard. P. 94

2. **Where** was the fairy when Luka and Leandra walked along the mosaic pathway?

The Little Fairy played about, close to them, darting in and out through leaves. P.95

3. **Who** grazed a herd of cows on the fenced paddock?

Grandpa grazed a small milking herd on this land. P.96

4. **When** is the fairy-door reachable?

Once during the day when the sun is at its zenith and once at night when the moon is at the highest point in the sky. P. 98-99

5. **What** do Grandpa's notes talk about being near the door?

An interesting gnarled branch. P. 99

6. **Why** did Grandpa think it was interesting?

If you listen carefully, the branch whispers. P. 100

7. **What** did the twins eat while they waited?

Luka and Leandra ate salad sandwiches and apples. P. 100

8. **What** did the whispering resemble?

The whispering branch closely resembled a sea-horse. P. 104

9. **What** did the branch whisper?

Luka heard the branch say to throw dust. P. 104

10. The twins were confused about what dust to use. **How** was this solved?

Little Fairy threw her green and gold marble dust at the door. P. 105

How would you feel if you discovered a tiny door in a tree in your garden?

(Accept response. No correct answer.)

Test Your Sentence Skills – Sentence sort

Cut and paste the correct sentence starter with its ending. Circle the joining word.

The orange jasmine stood on the edge of the garden

on the highest branch. P. 98

It was a sight welcomed

when the twins positioned themselves around the tree. P.100

The fairy was perched

in great astonishment. P. 104

Once at night

before the acreage ambled into a lush green paddock. P.96

It was approaching twelve o'clock

through the wind and hovered close to Leandra. P. 105

The fairy was flitting

when the moon is at its highest point. P.99

The wind is blowing

by the twins. P.97

Luka stared at it

about the lower branches. P. 102

The little fairy navigated down

and it's very cold. P. 102

Time to Create:

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- A fairy door
- A picnic
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3. Choose the correct word to complete this passage.

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Write your answers here:

a. fragrant	b. smell	c. welcomed	d. ground	e. swung
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Write your own dialogue for one of the characters.

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Find each word in the puzzle.

- 3. *glistened*
- 4. *sandwiches*
- 5. *lunch*
- d. *darting*
- e. *shade*
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- j. *door*

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Z	X	C	V	B	N	M	K	L	H	G	Y	L	F	D

Draw a flower:

2. Draw a line from each word to its past tense form.

a. <i>begin</i>	<i>fed</i>
b. <i>occupy</i>	<i>knew</i>
c. <i>feed</i>	<i>whispered</i>
d. <i>find</i>	<i>began</i>
e. <i>ask</i>	<i>agreed</i>
f. <i>know</i>	<i>decided</i>
g. <i>whisper</i>	<i>flowed</i>
h. <i>flow</i>	<i>asked</i>
i. <i>decide</i>	<i>found</i>
j. <i>agree</i>	<i>occupied</i>

Write one word to show what the grass patch:

looks like- *green carpet*

feels like- *spongy*

smells like- *summer*

Draw the whispering branch in another form from nature.

Name three things found in a tree.

leaves, nests, insects, birds, blossoms

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