

I WANT



“I want to be big,” says

Little Monkey. “I want to be strong.”

A wise woman hears him. “Take this magic wand “she says, “and all your wishes come true”.

A giraffe comes by. He stretches his long neck. He eats the sweet leaves at the top of the trees.

“I want a long neck,” says Little Monkey. “POP!”

His neck grows long, just like the giraffe.

Little Monkey is happy.

An elephant comes down to the river. He fills his trunk with water. He blows it all over himself.

"I want to do that too," says Little Monkey. "BANG!"

Just like that he grows a trunk. He is very happy, "This is fun!" he says.

Next, Little Monkey sees a zebra.

"I want stripes like those," he says. "WHIZZ!"

Little Monkey has stripes all over his body, just like the zebra.

He is very, very happy.

He goes to the river to try put his new trunk. He looks down.

He sees himself in the water.



"Mother!" he cries. "Help ! A monster!"

"That's not a monster," says his mother. "That's you."

"You want a giraffe's neck, an elephant's trunk and a zebra's stripes. Don't you remember?"

Little Monkey cries and cries.

"I look AWFUL!" he says.

"I want to be myself again."

There is a POP, a BANG and a WHIZZ.

Little Monkey is himself again. He jumps for joy.

He throws the magic wand into the river.

He never wants to be anyone again.



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News words:

Strong



wand

wishes

blows

Trunk



monster



Strong: powerful

- 1) She has a **strong** built.
- 2) She has **strong** arms.



Wand: a long thick stick

- 1) Her brother gifted to her a magic **wand** on her birthday.
- 2) He asked the magic **wand** to turn him into a monkey.



Wishes: want to do something

- 1) He **wishes** to visit Shimla on this weekend.
- 2) My mother **wishes** to win the Best Mother contest.

Trunk: long and flexible body part of an elephant

- 1) The elephant was taking a bath with the help of its **trunk**.
- 2) Elephants have long **trunk**.



Monster: an imaginary ugly looking creature

- 1) I saw a **monster** in my room at night.



2) The cartoon had a **monster** in it.

1. Put a ✓ or a ✗ against the following sentences. One has been done for you.

1. The little monkey wants to be big and strong.

2. The wise woman does not hear the monkey.

3. The wise woman gives the monkey a magic wand.

4. The giraffe stretches his long neck.

5. The elephant has no trunk.

6. The Little Monkey was scared of his own reflexion.

7. The Little Monkey sees a monster in the river.

8. The zebra has stripes.

9. The mother says that the Little Monkey is a monster.

10. The Little Monkey can never go back to his normal look.