

Story Introduction

Yellow Storybook 3 Tom Thumb

This is the story of Tom Thumb, who was so small that he was barely the size of a man's thumb. He used a matchbox as a bed and an eggcup as a bath. When he got dressed, he wore a button as a cap, an elastic band as a belt and a tiny jacket, which he borrowed from a doll.

Tom Thumb loved to play outside with the insects. He would skip along the bank of the pond, where he chatted to the finches and visited the frogs.

One day, when he was jumping into the pond with his frog friends, a big fish spotted him, and gulped him up, thinking he would make a tasty snack.

"Help!" yelled Tom Thumb from inside the fish's tummy, but no one heard him.

Not long after, a man caught the fish with his rod and sold it to the King's chef. As he cut it open to prepare it for a banquet, out stepped tiny Tom Thumb.

The chef thought for a while about what he could do with the tiny boy, before he had an idea: 'Maybe I could put him into a dish for the King!'

TTYP: What do you think the King will say when he finds Tom Thumb in his dish?