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A long long time ago there was a magical land where fairies, gnomes and other creatures existed. In control of the magical legacy, was a very bubbly man, who would do anything to save his magical world at any time.

His name was Jared, he was very elevated, around 2 m tall and dressed with style, his skin was as pale as cream and his hair was a pink and blue scruffy mess.

One day, Jared trudged through a sea of deep green plant life. He looked high above him at the trees that raced for the sky. The fresh woody fragrances surrounded Jared's nostrils and the moist earth squelched with wetness every step that he took. He was on his way to meet Grumbles, who's a short, stubborn gnome who proudly wore the title-leader of all gnomes.

Jared approached Grumble's wooden stump house and knocked politely on the oak door. It swung open fastly and grumbles invited Jared inside. Grumbles, who was such a tiny figure waddled into the kitchen to grab a pot of tea, whilst Jared took a seat and the night approached.

Grumbles walked out with the tea and stared into the eyes of Jared. He then dropped the tea in horror. There laid Jared, still on the floor, motionless, his eyes rolled back. A river of fresh, red blood ran from his mouth and his chest didn't dare to move; he was dead.

Grumble swung his head from side to side, then suddenly spotted a blue gleaming light that fought against the approaching darkness. Then a gigantic, monstrous figure came into view, the mysterious figure looked just like a shadow moving closer to Jarrod's body, with a huge smirk on his sinister face. The figure abruptly turned his head towards Grumbles. He then Stormed over to him. Grumbles looked right at his face in terror as he measured well above 3m high. He wore an old mouldy cloak that was nothing more than a rag. Attached to his clothes were many gleaming bright jars. One of them had the name Jarrod in-scripted on it, a blue gleaming soul was trapped inside, floating around helplessly. Grumbles eyes darted from the jar with Jarrod's name on it up to the face of the mysterious figure. The figure then dug his huge swollen hands into the pocket of his cloak and revealed a torn piece of paper, and shoved it into Grumbles little hands, yelling "READ IT NOW!" Grumbles shivered in fear when he took the paper, and read the words, 'Jar Wizard'. Grumbles then slowly lifted his head back up to look at the so-called jar wizard. The Jar Wizard then grabbed a black jar and threw it on the ground, smashing into tiny pieces, Black clouds filled the home. Grumbles suddenly became dizzy, his head started to hurt like crazy and he proceeded to fall and passed out.

When morning approached, Grumbles awoke to find himself laying on his floor. Confused and dazed about what had happened last night, he spotted a notebook near the door. He picked it up and read on the first page..' A green pearl leaf and a bit of water should bring your friend back from the slaughter...' he soon realised this was the wizards book of spell recipes, The jar wizard must've accidentally dropped it last night as he scurried to leave. Grumbles felt a sense of hope to be able to save his friend, jarred. So, grumbles prepared for the trek that laid ahead of him, quickly grabbing all the items that he thought he would need to save his friend.

Grumbles quickly darted through the town and out to the misty woods in hope of finding the green Pearl leaf there. He stumbled across the rock once and possibly even tripped over a rabbit. But that wasn't going to stop him from saving his dearest friend. As he travelled deeper into the forest, it became gloomier, not even the sound of a baby bird could be heard in this part of the forest.

“THUD, THUD....” The Strange Sound made the trees wobble as if they’re little frail sticks, It made all the hidden animals flee in fright, and the only thing left was The Cave, standing there, just like a statue. Complete silence fell over the deserted

forest. **“HE-E-E-LP....”** the unknown creature in the cave moaned helplessly. Grumbles had no other choice for this was the area that the green Pearl leaves were meant to be found, so he trotted cautiously, into the cave. As he travelled further, he saw a green light, So he rushed towards it and was greeted by a humongous green troll with Red hair flowing down her face, wearing Valhalla Leaves for clothes. Grumbles soon noticed a green pearl leaf within her hair! She quickly turned to look at Grumbles, and screamed.. **“HELP!”** Grumbles Instantly saw what was wrong, It was the jar wizard, he was stepping closer to her as his next victim. Suddenly the Jar-Wizard spotted grumbles, And he quickly vanished into a cloud of smoke. The troll stepped up and dusted the earth off of her face. **“How could I ever thank you?”** Grumbles replied **“I-I- need that... green pearl leaf..”** as he tripped over his words. **“And why would you need this green Pearl leaf?”** She quickly replied with curiosity. **“I need to save my friend Jared, His soul is trapped in a jar by that Jar-Wizard. I need the green pearl leaf so that I can save him and return his soul back to his body”** Exclaimed grumbles. **“Show me your friend then..”** she murmured as grumbles started to lead the way back to his house. There, Jared remained, ever so still. Grumbles and the green figure followed the instructions from the Jar Wizard’s recipe book and fed it to Jared. Jared shot back up to life and gasped for air, He then fell back down to the ground, but his eyes were wide open. He was alive again!