

At a Lake in Upstairs New York the Next Morning

Robbie – This is really neat! When do we eat?

Dad – First, we have to catch some fish. In order to catch fish you have to do this. Here we go. That's it. Then drop it into the water. All of this comes before eating. OK?

Robbie – How do you know so much about fishing?

Dad – Grandpa taught me. We spent a lot of time fishing together. Now the important thing is to get the hook close to the fish. All right? Like this.

Robbie – I think I see some fish right under us, Dad.

Dad – Oh, not a chance!

Robbie – I just saw a big one!

Grandpa – Hi, there. **Albert** – Hi.

Grandpa – What's your name? **Albert** – Albert.

Grandpa – Are you all along? **Albert** – Yes, sir.

Dad – Where's your father?

Albert – He's up there, at the lodge.

Dad – Does he know you're here? **Albert** – Yes, sir.

Dad – OK, Robbie, maybe you should watch him. The water's pretty deep there.

Robbie – I'll watch him, Dad. What time is it?

Dad – It's almost lunch time, and no fish yet.

Robbie – I can go up to the lodge for some hot dogs and drinks.

Dad – No way. We're here to catch our lunch.

Grandpa – To catch fish, you need the right magic.

Dad – That's right! I forgot! The right magic. Do it for Robbie, Dad.

Grandpa – You remember?

Dad – Sure. Come on.

Grandpa – Well, first, you have to turn your hat around like this. Then you close your eyes and say the magic words: 'Fish, fish, send me a fish'

Robbie – Fish, fish, send me a fish... I got one!

Grandpa – See, it works.

Robbie – It's a big one!

Dad – Well, it always worked for me, too.

Robbie – Grandpa, get the net, please. Dad, you got one, too!

Dad – You bet I have.

Grandpa – Easy, Philip, easy.

Dad – Sorry, Dad.

Grandpa – Well, one more, and I've got a pair of boots.

Robbie – You didn't say the magic words.

Grandpa – Robbie's right.

Dad – Yes, but you did, and we've got our lunch. Let's build a fire and cook it. Come on, Albert, you can help us.

Albert – I want to stay here and fish.

Dad – All right, but be careful.