

Boo-hoo Blue

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There was once upon a time a gnome called Blue. He had blue skin, blue hair, blue clothes and blue-blue toenails. Everything was blue—even his eyes. Today his eyes were especially blue, for he was sad. He'd lost his favorite ring, the one with a lovely blue sapphire. He cried, and his watery tears ran down his blue cheeks and made a blue puddle at his feet.

"Boo-hoo," sobbed Blue, "I lost my ring and I don't know what to do."

Along came a sunny elf. His name was Yellow. He had adventures.

"Hi, Blue," said Yellow. "What a big puddle you have at your feet! Why so sad and hooing?"

"I've lost my ring," bawled Blue, his tears running like rivers. He was howling so hard that the puddle at his feet was flowing towards the door.

"Where did you loose it?" asked Yellow.

"Somewhere," sniffed Blue.

"Here in the house?"

"I don't know, I don't know," wailed Blue.

"Where have you looked?"

"Nowhere," moaned Blue. "It's no use. It's lost—lost, lost, lost. I know it. It's gone forever!"

Yellow whizzed around Blue's house. He looked under the table and on the blue tablecloth. He looked under the bed and on the blue chairs. He looked under the cupboards and on the blue shelves. He looked under the flowerpots and in all the bluebells, but the ring was just not there.

Yellow whizzed back to Blue. Blue was sobbing louder than ever, his hands covering his blue face—and there was the lovely blue ring on his finger, glinting bluely in the light.

"It's on your finger!" cried Yellow, skipping round Blue. "It's been there the whole time!"

"Oh! Oh! Oh!" blubbered Blue, "Oh! Oh! Oh!" he sobbed, his teary puddle turning into a lake and filling up the room.

"What's wrong?" asked Yellow, flitting here and there over the flood of tears. "Why are you crying?"

"Oh! Oh! Oh!" howled Blue. "I'm always losing things. Always, always, always!" and he wept so hard that Yellow had to flee the house before he was drowned.