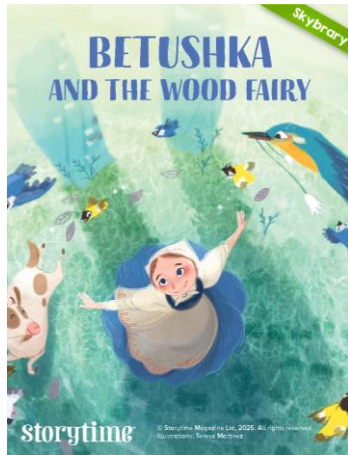


Read Aloud Guide for Families



Betushka and the Wood Fairy

Author: Storytime

Illustrator: Teresa Martinez

Themes: Magic, Joy, Hard Work

Book Brief: A magical tale about a girl who meets a mysterious wood fairy and learns that sometimes the most wonderful moments come when we least expect them!

READ ALOUD

Before Reading: Build Background

- Ask, "Have you ever gotten distracted from doing your work? What were you doing instead?"

While Reading: Make Connections

- What does Betushka do every day in the woods?
- Who does Betushka meet one day? What does the magical lady teach her?
- Why does Betushka forget about her spinning? What happens because of this?
- Does Betushka see the wood fairy again after that day?

After Reading: Ask Questions

- Ask, "What is the lesson or main idea of this story? What does Betushka learn about doing your work and having fun?"

RELATED ACTIVITIES

If your child enjoyed this book:

- Create a "Work and Play" plan together. Help your child think about a task they need to do (like homework or chores) and a fun activity they enjoy. Talk about how we can do our work first and then enjoy playtime as a reward, just like Betushka needed to balance her spinning with her love of dancing.
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