

## Hansel and Gretel

Once upon a time Hansel and Gretel lived in a cottage with their father the woodcutter and cruel step mother. One day the evil stepmother persuaded the woodcutter to abandon Hansel and Gretel deep in the forest far from home.

Luckily Hansel had some breadcrumbs in his pocket and he dropped them on the path so that they could find their way home again. Unfortunately the hungry forest animals ate all the crumbs!

The children were tired and scared until suddenly they saw strange cottage. They could not believe their eyes. The cottage was made of sweets. Starving and delighted the children began to eat the cottage. Unfortunately a witch lived in the cottage and they had fallen into her trap! The witch kept Hansel in a cage and made Gretel do the housework.

One day when the witch thought Hansel was plump enough she lit the fire of her oven. Fortunately Gretel had a plan! She gave the witch a tremendous push and slammed the oven door.

Finally Hansel and Gretel escaped with a bag of gold coins and found their way home to their father. The wicked step mother left in disgust and they lived happily ever after.