

Liam and the Forest Fairies (FK 3.3)

Once in a small village in Ireland, there was a young boy named Liam. He loved to paint pictures of nature. Liam had a big scar on his cheek from a fall. People sometimes stared at it, so he felt shy. He only went out to paint when the sun was setting and the streets were quiet.



One evening, Liam wandered into the forest with his paints. He got lost as the sky grew dark. Deciding to wait until morning, he found a cozy spot under a large oak tree and settled down to rest.



In the middle of the night, Liam heard soft music and giggles. He woke up and peeked from behind the tree. A group of fairies was having a celebration nearby. Liam was scared but curious. He crept closer to see what the fairies were doing.

The fairies were having a grand feast. They had tiny plates of berries and cups of nectar. Some fairies played flutes, while others danced in circles. Liam got closer and closer. Finally, he joined the party. The fairies welcomed him warmly and treated him like a special guest. He stayed with them until morning, eating, listening, and dancing.

When morning came, the fairy queen said, “You have been a wonderful guest. Please come again one night to celebrate with us. I will take this as a promise that you will return.” With that, the fairy queen touched Liam’s cheek, and his scar disappeared.

Liam went home and told his family about his night with the fairies. They congratulated him on his luck and the disappearance of his scar. Liam felt more confident and began painting during the day.



One neighbor, Sean, was envious of Liam’s luck. He wanted to meet the fairies too. While Liam was away, Sean put on Liam’s favorite hat and went into the forest. He found the oak tree and waited for the fairies.

Night came, and the fairies returned. The feast began again. Sean, wearing Liam’s hat, stepped into the clearing.

The fairy queen welcomed him and said, “We are glad you kept your promise to return. We will give you back your pledge.” With that, she touched Sean’s cheek, and the scar appeared on his face.

Sean was very upset. He tried to rub off the scar, but it wouldn’t budge. He realized he had been dishonest. He went home and hid from his friends.



Liam heard about Sean's trouble. He visited Sean and said, "The fairies are kind, but they do not like tricks. Maybe if you say sorry, they will forgive you."

That night, Sean went back to the forest. When the fairies appeared, Sean stepped into the clearing and bowed. "I am sorry for trying to trick you," Sean said. "Please forgive me."

The fairy queen smiled. "We appreciate your honesty," she said. "We will forgive you and take back the pledge." With a gentle touch, the fairy queen removed the scar from Sean's cheek.

Sean thanked the fairies and promised to be honest and kind. He and Liam became friends. They shared the story of the fairies, teaching others to be honest and kind. And from that day on, both Liam and Sean lived happily, free from their scars.