1. **A Broken Promise**

Long, long ago, some children were playing at the seaside when they found a turtle. They began to bully the turtle. After a while, a young man came and said to them, "Stop it!" They went away quickly. "I really appreciate your kindness. I really would like to invite you to a wonderful palace now, " the turtle said.

As soon as he rode on the back of the turtle, he was taken to the secret palace in the sea. He was very surprised and said to the turtle, "What a nice place!" He received a warm welcome there. He was very satisfied with everything.

He said to the turtle, "Thank you, I am glad to have met you." The turtle said, "I am going to give you two boxes, but you can only open one of the boxes. You must not open both." "Don't forget it,"

the turtle warned him. "All right. I will only open one. I swear." he promised.

After he went back home, he opened the bigger of the two boxes. To his amazement, there was a great deal of gold in the box. "Heaven!" he said loudly. He thought in his mind, "The other one must also be expensive!" He broke the promise and opened the other box. As soon as he opened the box, he became an old man. His hair turned white and his face full of wrinkles. After that he regretted what he did. "Just because I broke the promise..." he said, but it was too late.