

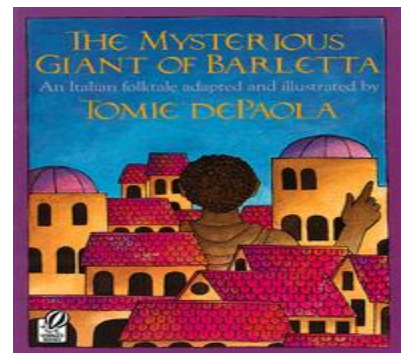
Theme 3

Incredible Stories

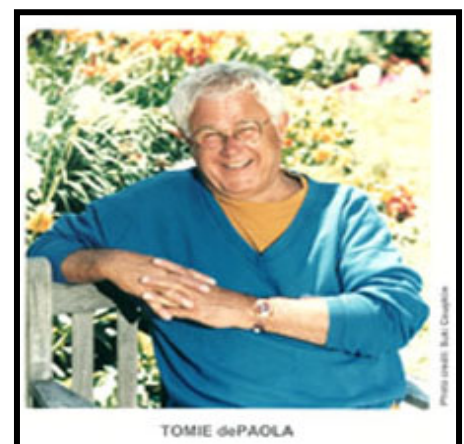


Title:

The Mysterious
Giant of Barletta



Author: Tomie
dePaola



Genre:

Folktale: A story from an oral tradition that may be a blend of history and legend.

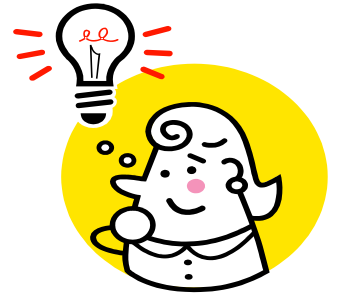


Comprehension Strategy:

Question: to figure out what part you did not understand.



Comprehension Skill: Following Directions



Comprehensions Skill Review: Fantasy/Realism; Making Inferences

Spelling Focus

Vowel + /r/ Sounds

Basic:

girl

clear

her

turn

dark

work

smart

word

hurt

serve

north

third

Review:

hard

morning

Challenge:

tornado

scurried

Key Vocabulary:

giant- a huge, strong, imaginary creature that looks like a human



mysterious- very hard to explain or understand



pedestal- the base on which a statue stands



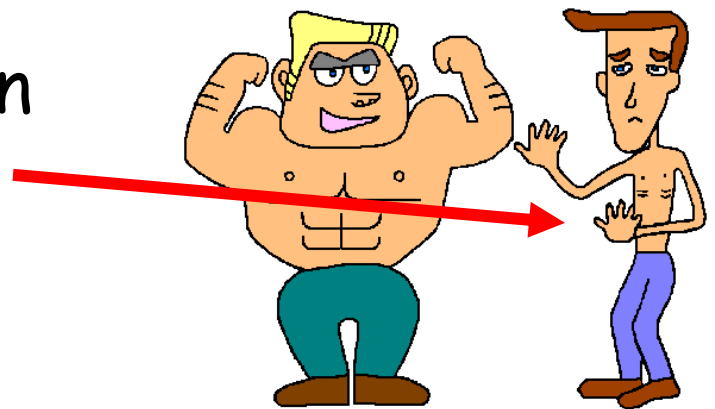
square- an open area in the center of town



statue- an image, often of a person or animal, usually made of stone, metal, or wood



weakling- a person lacking strength or power



Other Vocabulary:

Zia- (TSEE-uh) Italian word for aunt

sisters- female members
of a religious group; nuns



hailed- greeted by signaling
or calling out to



Buona notte- (BWO-nuh NOH-the)
Italian for good night

Colosso- (co-LOHS-so) Italian
word for giant



un miracolo- (OOmeer-ACK-o-lo)
Italian for a miracle

scurried- move quickly

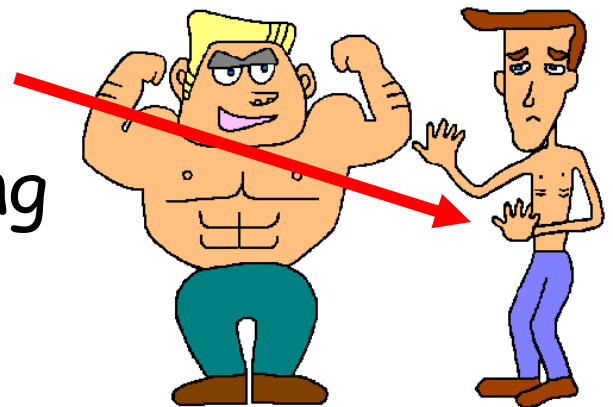
buona fortuna-(BWO-nuh for-
TOO-nuh) Italian for good luck

strode- walked with long
steps

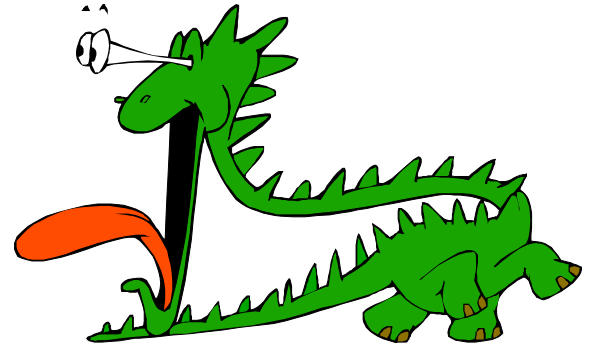


minuscolo- (mee-NOO-sko-lo) Italian
word for tiny

debole- (DEB-o-leh)
Italian word for weakling



dumbstruck- so shocked that one can't speak



bellowed- spoke loudly and powerfully



che bella festa-(KAY BELL-luh FESS-tuh) Italian for what a wonderful party

grazie- (GRAHT-zee-ay) Italian for thank you

Vocabulary Skills:

**Dictionary: Choosing
the Correct Meaning**



Information & Study Skills:

Using an Atlas



Word Work

Grammar Skills:

What is a Verb?

Structural Analysis:

Word Endings -er and -est

Phonics:

Vowel + r Sounds

Writing:

A Thank-You Note;

Commas for Direct Address

Listening/Speaking/Viewing:
**Present a Reader's Theater
Performance**

Spiral Review:

Comprehension:

Author's Viewpoint

**Writing: Correcting Run-On
Sentences**