

## **Oliver and the Divided Wall, by Zinedine**

Once upon a time there was a boy called Oliver. He lived on a farmyard with his friend Tom. They both did work on the farm, milking the cows, cleaning the stables and feeding the chickens. One day, Oliver found a golden key in the hen pen. It was labelled 'Divided Wall'. He searched the whole village to try and find the Divided Wall. He found a one meter long hole in the wall near to the hen pen. Oliver was too nervous to climb into the hole on his own and so he called for Tom.

They went through the hole in the wall and entered a cave. Inside they saw four circles on the cave walls. The circles were close together and inside the circles were diamonds which sparkled like stars. Tom wondered if it was the 'divided wall', He shouted out, "Tom, come here quickly!" "What Oliver?" So he told Tom all about what had happened, how he had found the key and the hole in the wall. There was a hole in the cave wall, in the middle of all the circles. Oliver put the key in to the hole and turned it. Suddenly a great earthquake struck and the cave wall disintegrated in to dust.

When the dust cleared, they saw samurais made of stone that had been standing on the other side of the cave wall. On one of the stone samurai's hat was an ancient, sandpaper scroll. The boys walked up to the samurai and removed the scroll. They opened the scroll and it told them about the King Samurai who once wore a crown made of gold, emeralds and diamond. It said that the crown would bring the samurai to life if placed on their head.

Oliver and Tom searched all the tunnels and found an emerald stuck into the wall. Next to the emerald stood a pick axe. The boys dug out the emerald and found a crown. They wondered if it was the Samurai Crown. They took the crown out from the wall, but suddenly thousands of spiders appeared out of nowhere. Then the boys stumbled upon a sword and used it to slice open some of the attacking spiders. This scared the other spiders very much and they ran away.

Then the boys ran back to the samurai who had the scroll on his head. They removed his old samurai hat and replaced it with the crown. The samurai's eyes opened and his eyes sparkled with bright blue lights, as bright as blue diamonds.

The stone samurai thanked them for bringing him back to life. He gave them some golden coins and emeralds. He asked how he could help them. "Can you please help us find the way back home." "Where is your home?", he asked. "In a farm near to the town of Sevenoaks."

The stone samurai guided them through a cave that had thousands of portals on the side of the wall. On the top of the portals were signs that said "Sahara", "California", "South Africa" and thousands of other landmarks. The last one said "Sevenoaks". Tom and Oliver then sprang through the Sevenoaks portal, which carried them into the centre of Sevenoaks, under the oak trees at the Vine.

The boys wanted to get home as quickly as possible because they wanted to see their families. So they ran to the toy shop and bought roller blades to help them go faster. It was turning dark, so they skated to a hotel to sleep the night there. In the morning, they carried on their journey to the farm. When they arrived at the farm, they went and splashed their faces with cold water from the fountain to cool themselves off. Then they went into the farmyard and blocked off the hole in the Divided Wall with wooden planks so that no one else would enter. Then they took the golden coins and emeralds to their houses and put them in glass jars to remember the samurai.