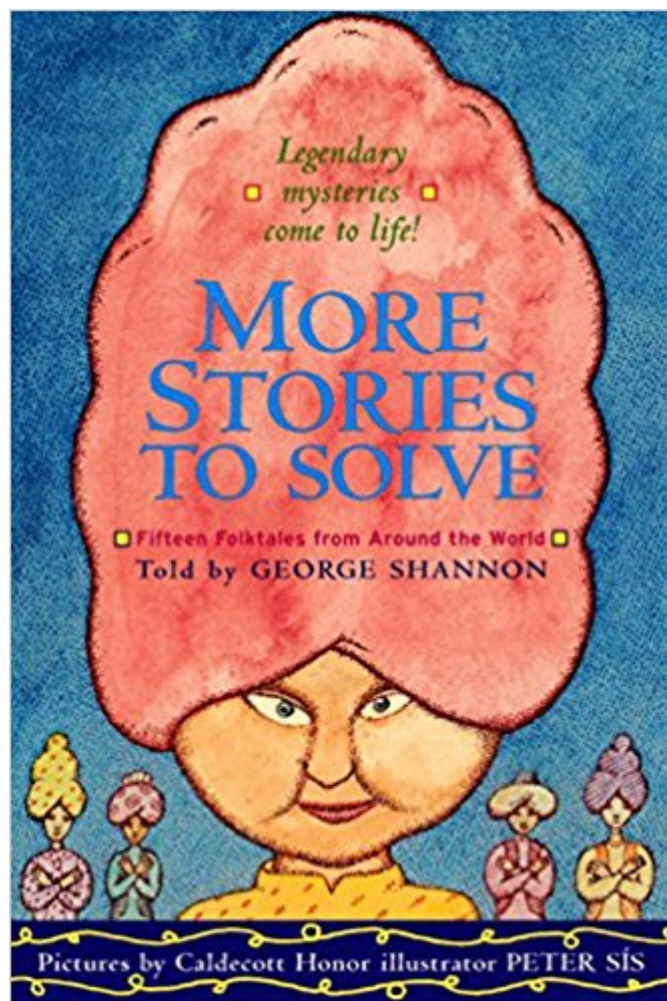


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# More Stories To Solve: Fifteen Folktales From Around The World



## Synopsis

How did they do it? How did a single firefly win a fight against one hundred apes? How did the priest catch a thief with a rooster? How did a student outwit the king? How did a frog escape from the pitcher of cream? These and eleven more tantalizing, brain-teasing mysteries are waiting in the pages of this book.

## Book Information

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Grade Level: 3 and up

## Customer Reviews

Grade 2-4-- Shannon and Sis again bring together a collection of folkloric riddles, replicating the previous format and success of their *Stories to Solve* (Greenwillow, 1985). Each of the 15 selections comes from a different culture, with the source usually identified in the text of the riddle or discernible from visual clues in the accompanying illustrations. Further information is provided at the end of the book. The tales vary in difficulty, although the answers are generally contained within the text. The weakest one involves a banker who cheats a Brahman; unlike the others, the solution lies in moral, rather than logical, reasoning. Sis's stylized pen-and-ink drawings support the stories and entertain. Overall, a satisfying gathering of brain teasers, sure to please riddle lovers and especially useful for teachers introducing the global village concept through world folklore. --Dorothy Houlihan, White Plains Public Library, NY Copyright 1991 Reed Business Information, Inc. --This text refers to

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Like *Stories to Solve* (1985), a collection of very brief riddle-stories, each with its solution given after a page turn. Like the Irish story about a lawyer who gets the devil to agree that his father will live as long as a candle stub ``lasts'' and then blows the candle out, most depend on trickery plus the clever use of logic. Practiced storytellers may enjoy embroidering Shannon's bare-bones versions; on the other hand, Sis provides elaborate settings, his quietly comical crosshatched drawings handsomely framing the text. An excellent addition to any collection. Notes on sources. (Folklore. 5-12) -- Copyright ©1991, Kirkus Associates, LP. All rights reserved. --This text refers to an alternate Paperback edition.

The solutions to the stories are on the back of the last page of the story, so the child doesn't accidentally see the solution.

So great! Read these to my middle school students and they loved them! We enjoyed that some were short stories, some were longer, and the difficulty seemed to vary as well.

My students loved hearing these stories and trying to solve them. It encouraged them to listen to the ideas of others so that they were working together to solve them.

As a reading coach, I'm always on the look-out for short passages of adequate complexity for my intermediate students. Main Idea makes up more than 50% of most standardized testing in reading. This book, and the companion books, provide short practice opportunities for students to address this deficit in their learning.

This is the third book in the series and is definitely one of my favorites. The folk tales are engaging while posing problems to solve. Each story takes about three minutes or less to read. Students of all ages love this series and always ask for these books. They never tire of hearing the tales repeated. Students cheered when I brought in this latest book in the series.

This book is great. I was concerned that as the third in the series, this book would not have as many good stories for kids to reasonably take a stab at trying to solve- but I was pleasantly surprised. Just like the other two, there are some stories that I instantly skip over when reading aloud to my second

graders, but there are also many good ones in here that get kids thinking outside the box.

Nice for my class

My kids loved this book and finished reading in one day.

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