

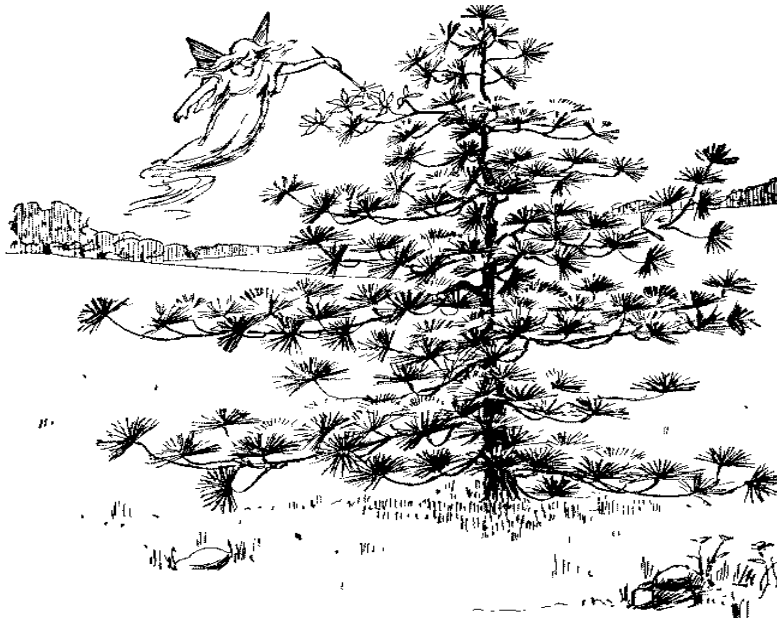
# THE LITTLE PINE TREE

**Main**  
**Character**

1 A little pine tree was in the woods. It had no leaves. It had needles. The little tree said, "I do not like needles. All the other trees in the woods have pretty leaves. I want leaves, too. But I will have better leaves. I want gold leaves."

**Goal**

2 Night came and the little tree went to sleep. A fairy came by and gave it gold leaves. When the little tree woke it had leaves of gold. It said, "Oh, I am so pretty! No other tree has gold leaves."



**Problem**

3 Night came. A man came by with a bag. He saw the gold leaves. He took them all and put them into his bag. The poor little tree cried, "I do not want gold leaves again. I will have glass leaves." So the little tree went to sleep. The fairy came by and put the glass leaves on it.

**Selection Sample**  
**with Comprehension Strategies**

1 Which of the following is the best summary of the story?

- ☐ The little pine tree is unhappy because a goat ate all the green leaves. The little tree decides it wants needles instead. The fairy gives it needles while it is sleeping.
- ☐ A little pine tree lives in a forest. It wants to have pretty leaves. It goes to sleep and a fairy brings it pretty leaves.
- ☐ A little pine tree wants to have better leaves than any other trees in the forest. A fairy brings it different leaves that only bring it sadness. The little pine learns that pine needles are best after all.
- ☐ The little pine tree lives in a forest and wants to have better leaves than any other tree. It goes to sleep wishing for leaves. Soon a fairy gives him what he wants.

2 The little pine tree did not like its needles because —

- ☐ it lived in the woods
- ☐ other trees had pretty leaves
- ☐ it was night
- ☐ gold leaves are pretty

# Sample Questions