



The Tale of Pinocchio

Did you arrive here searching for “The Tale of Pinocchio”? We’re narrating the classic Italian tale of Pinocchio’s adventures—the transformation of Master Geppetto’s wooden puppet into a real boy—with illustrations. This extended version is packed with fun dialogues and lessons on honesty for children. A summary of the Pinocchio Tale, PDF download, and viewing options are below!

The Birth of the Pinocchio Tale: Master Geppetto’s Dream

Once upon a time, in a charming little town, there lived a craftsman named Geppetto who made a living selling the wooden toys he crafted. Master Geppetto had no children. But how he longed for a child of his own. One day, he went to the forest to find a log for making toys. After a long search, he finally spotted the perfect log and said to himself, “I can make a fine puppet with this,” before heading back to his workshop.

Back at the workshop, he began carving the log. With every stroke, “ah ah” sounds echoed. Master Geppetto looked around and muttered to himself, “Where is that noise coming from?” Seeing no one, he thought, “It must be my imagination,” and continued his work. He finished the puppet’s head first, then the body, and finally the arms and legs. He set the puppet on a chair and started tidying up when he heard a voice say, “Hello.” He looked around, but there was no one except the puppet. A little later, he saw the puppet on the chair stand up and start dancing.





Pinocchio Story: Master Geppetto Finds a Log in the Forest

Master Geppetto couldn't believe his eyes at first. Wondering if he was seeing things, he blinked several times. But no, he was seeing correctly. Once his excitement and shock subsided, seeing the puppet laugh, dance, and play, he thought to himself, "This is exactly the child I wanted. Just not made of flesh and bone." Overjoyed, Master Geppetto scooped the puppet into his arms. "From now on, you are my child. Your name will be Pinocchio," he said. From that day forward, Master Geppetto spent every day with Pinocchio.

Pinocchio Goes to School: Friends and the Circus Adventure

Days, weeks, and months passed. Pinocchio had made friends with the children who came to the workshop to buy toys. Then, schools opened in the town. Pinocchio felt sad at the thought of being separated from his friends. Seeing his mood, Master Geppetto decided to send Pinocchio to school too, so he could learn new things and stay with his friends.

Pinocchio thanked Master Geppetto over and over upon hearing the news. They went shopping together and got all the school supplies. The night before school started, Pinocchio was so excited he could barely sleep. In the morning, as he left the house, Master Geppetto gave him school money and saw him off warmly. He didn't forget to call after him: "Pinocchio, go straight to school, don't dawdle, and don't lose your money."





Pinocchio set off joyfully, thrilled to start school. Suddenly, a crowd ahead caught his attention. He pushed into the middle to see what was happening. It was a circus tent that had come to town. A Clown at the entrance was inviting passersby inside to gather an audience. Curious, Pinocchio wanted to enter, but the Clown told him he couldn't without paying.

Desperate to see what was inside, Pinocchio handed over the money Master Geppetto had given him for school and went in. Seeing a bunch of puppets performing in the center of the stage, he said, "These are wooden puppets just like me," and excitedly jumped in without thinking. But the circus owner, who controlled the puppets with strings from above, noticed Pinocchio had no strings and moved freely. "This live puppet will be perfect for me; he'll make me a lot of money." After the show, he grabbed Pinocchio and locked him in a cage.

The Good Fairy's Help: Regret and Rescue

Pinocchio started crying, realizing none of this would have happened if he had listened to Master Geppetto and gone straight to school. Seeing his remorse, the Good Fairy appeared beside him and said, "Hello, I am the Good Fairy. I've come to help you. You made a big mistake by not listening to your father. But since you recognize your error and understand the truth, I will free you from here."





Pinocchio Tale: Pinocchio and the Good Fairy

The Good Fairy not only freed Pinocchio but also got back the money he had paid for the circus and returned it to him. She then advised him to guard his money and go straight to school without lingering. Pinocchio had a wonderful day at school with his friends and eagerly ate his favorite meal that his father had packed. After school, he said goodbye to his friends and headed home.

As he happily approached home, the Sly Fox and Cat spotted his cheerful mood by the roadside and asked, "What's got you so jolly? Where are you coming from?" When Pinocchio said he was returning from school, the Sly Fox and Cat hatched a plan. Their goal was to take his school money. The Fox said, "Going to school every day is so boring. Don't you want to get rich quick? Give us your school money; we'll plant it in the magic field, and you'll have your own magic tree. You can collect the money it grows and live as you please. No need to go to school either."

Pinocchio thought for a moment. He liked school, but what harm could more money do? He immediately handed over his money to the Sly Fox and Cat. Of course, they snickered inwardly, took the money, and vanished. Left alone, Pinocchio realized it was a trap and understood once again how wrong it was to trust strangers. He better grasped his father's words: to earn money, one must first study and then gain a profession.

(For a similar story, read the [Wise Owl Tale](#).)

Crying from sorrow, the Good Fairy suddenly appeared beside him again. "What happened, Pinocchio? Why are you crying?" she asked. Then she added, "Don't you dare lie, or I'll punish you." But Pinocchio started lying. "Nothing, I'm crying from excitement. It's probably my first day at school." He continued with more lies. Suddenly, with every lie, Pinocchio's nose began to grow. It grew so long that he couldn't turn his head side to side.

The Lying Pinocchio with the Growing Nose: Lesson in Truthfulness

Terrified, the Fairy told him that if he kept lying, his nose would grow a bit more with each lie. Finally understanding his mistake, he told the Fairy everything exactly as it happened. As he began telling the truth, his nose slowly shrank back to normal. Pinocchio thanked the Fairy and promised never to disobey his elders again or tell lies, then set off for home. When he arrived, his father said, "Why are you so late? I was so worried about you."

Seeing his father's sad expression, Pinocchio felt even more remorse for his actions. He apologized and told everything exactly as it happened. They hugged and cried together. From that day on, Pinocchio became a very good child. He went to school and back, and after school, he helped his father with all his chores.

Happy Ending: Transformation into a Real Boy

The Good Fairy decided it was time to reward Pinocchio and used her magic to turn him into a normal boy of flesh and blood. One night, as Pinocchio was about to go to bed, he realized he was now a real boy and ran joyfully to Geppetto. Seeing Pinocchio like that, Geppetto said, "Now I truly have a son," shedding tears of joy as they embraced.

Father and son lived happily ever after. They reached their heart's desire, and we'll step onto the divan. Three apples fell from the sky. One for me, one for Pinocchio, and one for you children listening to this tale. Let's go now

Short Summary of the Pinocchio Tale

Pinocchio Tale summary: Poor carpenter Geppetto creates the wooden puppet Pinocchio. The puppet comes to life and embarks on adventures. He falls into a circus trap, encounters a sly fox, lies, and his nose grows. With the Good Fairy's help, he learns honesty and becomes a real boy. Moral: Be honest, listen to your elders. (Full story approx. 1,500 words; original book 200+ pages.)