

1: **Little Peachling (A Japanese folk tale)**

Long, long ago there lived an old woodcutter and his wife. One day, the two old people sat down to eat a beautiful juicy peach for lunch. But what do you think they found inside? A tiny baby! The old man and his wife were delighted! They called the baby Little Peachling.



Little Peachling grew up to be strong and brave and kind. He loved his parents but he longed to have an adventure. When Little Peachling heard about an island full of ogres, who had huge piles of treasures, he decided that he would go there.

Little Peachling's mother gave him a bag of delicious dumplings, and he set off.