



STORY LESSON PLAN



Educational Objectives

Title

Getting Married with a Grain of Millet

Age

Children (Ages 3-5)

Topic

- **Goal** : To think about the protagonist's attitude of not giving up easily and solving problems wisely.
- **Topic** : Persistence, Wisdom

keywords

Persistence, Wisdom, Young Man, Marriage, Millet, Mouse, Cat, Horse, Bull, Bride

Korean Culture

- **Goal** : Take an interest in learning about the traditional Korean wedding ceremony.
- **Elements** : Traditional Wedding

Korean

- **Goal** : Talk about the types of rice eaten as a staple food in Korea and the units used for counting them.
- **Words** : 좁쌀 (Millet), 햅쌀 (New Crop Rice), 보리쌀 (Barley Rice), 현미 (Brown Rice)
- **Expressions** : 좁쌀 한 톨 (A grain of millet rice), 보리쌀 두 되 (Two "doe" of barley rice), 햅쌀 한 말 (One "mal" of new harvest rice)



Storytelling Activity Content



Greetings

Put your hands on your belly button! Greetings!
Hello, everyone. I am OOO, "The Beautiful Story Grandma",
and I'm here to tell you an interesting story.



Understanding today's topic

The story that I will tell you today is, hey title, come out, ttuk-ttak! "Getting Married with a Grain of Millet."

Do you all know what millets are? Have you ever seen them in person? Yes, millets are tiny grains that are as small as sand. But that one little grain of millet turned into a mouse, then into a cat, and eventually into a big cow. And thanks to that millet, a young man was able to get married. Are you curious about how that happened? Let's begin with the story!



Start the story with a song

Let's dive into the story of "Getting Married with a Grain of Millet"!

♪ One, two, three, four! Let's begin the story! Let's all have a listen with excitement. Are your ears perked up? Are your eyes sparkling?
One, two, three, four! We're off. Boom, boom!

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Story

Once upon a time, there was a poor young man in a village. He worked hard and finally managed to buy a nice house.

"Having a house is great. It would be nice to have a bride to live with too..."

The young man decided to set off in search of a suitable bride. Thinking he should take something to eat, he opened the rice jar but found only one grain of millet.

"Well, I can't help it. I will have to take this one grain of millet."

He set out with the millet, but as night fell, he had to stay at an inn.

"Innkeeper, please take care of this precious grain of millet."

"What's so precious about a grain of millet?"

The innkeeper tossed the millet aside.

The next morning, when the young man asked for his millet, the innkeeper stammered in response.

"Oh dear, what should I do? A mouse ate the millet."

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Story

"What? Then please at least give me the mouse that ate my millet."

Reluctantly, the innkeeper caught a mouse and gave it to the young man.

That evening, after arriving in another village, the young man decided to stay at another inn.

"Innkeeper, please take care of this precious mouse."

"Oh, how disgusting!"

The innkeeper locked the mouse in a barn. The next morning, when the young man asked for the mouse, the innkeeper went to the barn. However, he found no mouse, only a cat meowing.

"Oh no, it seems the cat has eaten the mouse."

"Then please at least give me the cat that ate my mouse."

The young man received the cat, but after visiting various villages, he could not find a suitable bride.

"Well, I won't be able to go home today. I'll have to stay at this village inn."

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Story

The young man entered the inn and entrusted the cat to the innkeeper.

"Innkeeper, please take care of this precious cat."

The innkeeper kept the cat in the stable.

The next morning, when the young man looked for his cat, the innkeeper said,

"Oh no, our horse trampled and killed the cat. Could I offer you a different cat instead?"

"I don't need another cat. I want my cat returned."

"I can't make a dead cat live again..."

The innkeeper was at a loss and flustered.

"Then please at least give me the horse that killed my cat."

At the young man's insistence, the innkeeper reluctantly gave him the horse. Now, the young man rode further on the horse into the next village.

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Story

That evening, he decided to stay at the inn again.

"Innkeeper, please take care of this precious horse."

The innkeeper tied the horse in the stable. However, the horse was neighing loudly. A startled bull gored the horse with its horn. The horse ended up dying.

The next morning, the innkeeper said to the young man,

"What should I do? Our bull killed your horse. Could I offer you a different horse instead?"

"I don't need another horse. Then please give me the bull that killed my horse."

The innkeeper had no choice but to give him the bull. The young man rode off on the bull.

Before long, he arrived at a large village and decided to stay at that inn for the night.

"Please take care of this precious bull."

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Story

However, the innkeeper's son, mistaking it for their bull, sold the young man's bull at the market.

The next day, upon learning this, the young man jumped up and shouted,

"Who did you sell my bull to?"

"To the richest house in this village."

The young man went to the rich man's house and asked for his bull back.

"It has already been slaughtered for food."

"What? Then please bring out the person who ate my bull!"

The young man's commotion caught the attention of the house owner, who asked,

"What's all this noise?"

The young man explained the entire situation.

"So you're saying you got a bull from just one grain of millet? Ha ha ha!"

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Story

The owner of the house laughed and carefully looked at the young man.

"This young man is quite clever. I can trust him with my daughter."

The owner, known as a wealthy man in the village, was very impressed with the clever young man.

"So you want my daughter because she ate the bull! Ha ha ha, if my daughter is fine with it, you can become our son-in-law."

His daughter, who had been watching the whole time, smiled happily.

And so, the young man got a bride with just one grain of millet and lived happily ever after.

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Introducing Korean culture and language

Did you enjoy the story that Grandma shared? The young man set off to find a bride, and what did he take with him?

Yes, it was millet. In Korea, people eat cooked rice daily. For a long time, people have cultivated rice, yielding many types such as millet, new crop rice, sweet rice, and barley rice. From these, delicious rice and various rice cakes are made.

Did the young man get married with just one grain of millet?

Yes, have any of you seen a traditional Korean wedding? In the past, the groom would wear traditional wedding attire and ride a horse to the bride's house. The bride would wear rouge on the cheeks and the forehead and put on a traditional headdress for the ceremony. In reference to the wedding, the groom would say, "I'm getting married," and the bride would say, "I'm going to my in-laws." If you're curious about traditional Korean weddings, check out the "Dorandoran Story Grandma's Bag of Stories" website for more details!

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Wrap up

Let's summarize the story of "Getting Married with a Grain of Millet" with Grandma.

This was the tale of a young man who married the daughter of a wealthy family with just one grain of millet. A small grain of millet turned into a mouse, then a cat, then a horse, and finally became a big bull. It was possible because the young man tackled each problem with courage, persistence, and wisdom. I hope you all can also solve difficult problems step by step with persistence and wisdom.



End the story with a song

Now, let's sing the farewell song as we say goodbye to Grandma. Here we go, begin!

♪ One, two, three, four! ! We've listened well. Our hearts have warmed.
Ears are perked, eyes are sparkling, great job. One, two, three, four!
Goodbye. Boom-boom!



Say Goodbye

Put your hands on your belly button! Say goodbye!
Everyone, see you next time with "The Beautiful Story Grandma." Goodbye!