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The Little Girl and The Toyland Troubles

One day in the small town of Halsowath an eerie merchant came to sell toys for the kids. The kids all came to take the toys. There was one little girl who was different from the rest of the kids. She did not like to play with toys, instead she loved to make them. She saw the merchant but, instead of asking for a toy, she asked for spare wood. The merchant gave her wood but he gave her 2 conditions. The first condition was that she had to come with him to a place far away from here for 1 day. Condition #2 was that she was not allowed to tell anyone about what he told her. The girl then replied to the conditions "As long as I get the wood count me in" said the girl enthusiastically. What the girl did not see was the merchant's evil grin hiding underneath his mustache.

She grabbed the merchant's hand eager to get the wood.

"What is your name?" asked the little girl, "Mine is Meredith". The Merchant did not reply because he was searching his pocket for a tiny key. Soon he felt like they were far enough from the village so he took out the key and told Meredith to go near a tree and poke the key in and then twist it. What he did not know was that there was a group of men chopping down wood silently. The group of men spotted the Merchant and decided to spy on what he was doing with a little girl that was not even his daughter.

Meanwhile, Meredith did exactly what the merchant had asked. Then out of nowhere a portal quickly emerged. Meredith ran to the merchant in fright and the merchant told her there was nothing to be afraid of. The merchant told Meredith to jump in and he was right behind her. Then they both jumped in the portal.

While all of that was happening, the men stared from behind the bushes in awe. They were so confused so they decided to go back to the village and tell Meredith's parents about the merchant and Meredith going through the portal. Meredith's parents obviously did not believe the men and decided to look for Meredith in the village. They looked everywhere but, then they realized that Meredith was missing so they decided to follow the men eventually.

Meanwhile, Meredith and the Merchant had a bumpy ride through the portal. Once they reached Toyland Meredith felt like barfing because she had a rough ride through what felt like a slide of hills. Meredith noticed that the Merchant was okay so she felt like he had done this before. When she got a good look at everything around her, she was so surprised. So many toys she thought she wondered how much wood that would make. The Merchant gave her a tour around the place it was so wonderful she thought. Then the Merchant brought her to a machine that was huge and he told her to go inside. She went in without asking what it was. When she went all the way inside the merchant slammed the door and locked it. He turned on the switch Meredith yelled from the inside she was pounding on the door with all her might. There was a bright pink light then Meredith turned into a wind-up toy.

While Meredith was in trouble her parents were looking for her from every direction of the forest until the men led them to the tree. Fortunately, the Merchant had forgotten to close the portal. They all jumped inside. The Merchant spotted when they came so he ran leaving them with Meredith. Her parents rushed to her while the men went chasing the Merchant. The men finally caught the Merchant and told him to fix Meredith. Once Meredith was okay the men warned him not to come on their borders ever again.

The moral of my story is : Do not go with any stranger without your parent's approval

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