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# WINNIE the Twit

## Story 1 - Winnie Fixes It

READ THE STORY WITH  
THE CHILDREN AND CHOOSE FROM  
THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES

### LITERACY

#### A GIANT LEAP

This story introduces Winnie's neighbour, Jerry the giant. You might want to read it alongside other stories about giants such as *Jack and the Beanstalk*, and Roald Dahl's *BFG*.

Jerry explains that people run away from him and don't offer him work as a builder because they are scared of the way he looks.

- Talk about what he looks like, what he's good at, and ask whether he has any friends and what other people think of him.
- Get the children to write their own story about a giant who is misunderstood.



## WHICH WITCH?

The story opens with Winnie browsing through one of her favourite magazines *Witch One?* She picks it up for ideas and advice whenever she makes one of her frequent efforts to improve her house.

### AS A CLASS:

- Talk about the key features of a magazine, e.g. news, reviews, products, adverts, puzzles.
- Make a list of articles for *Witch One?*
- In groups or individually, design a front cover for the magazine. Look at some of the children's favourite magazines as inspiration.
- For a bigger project, extend this task so that the whole class contributes to an edition of *Witch One?*, including problems page, letters page, advertisements and so on.
- Why is *Witch One?* a clever and funny name to use? Extend this to an exercise on homophones of a spelling test: see/sea, here/hear, pear/pair, two/too etc.

