

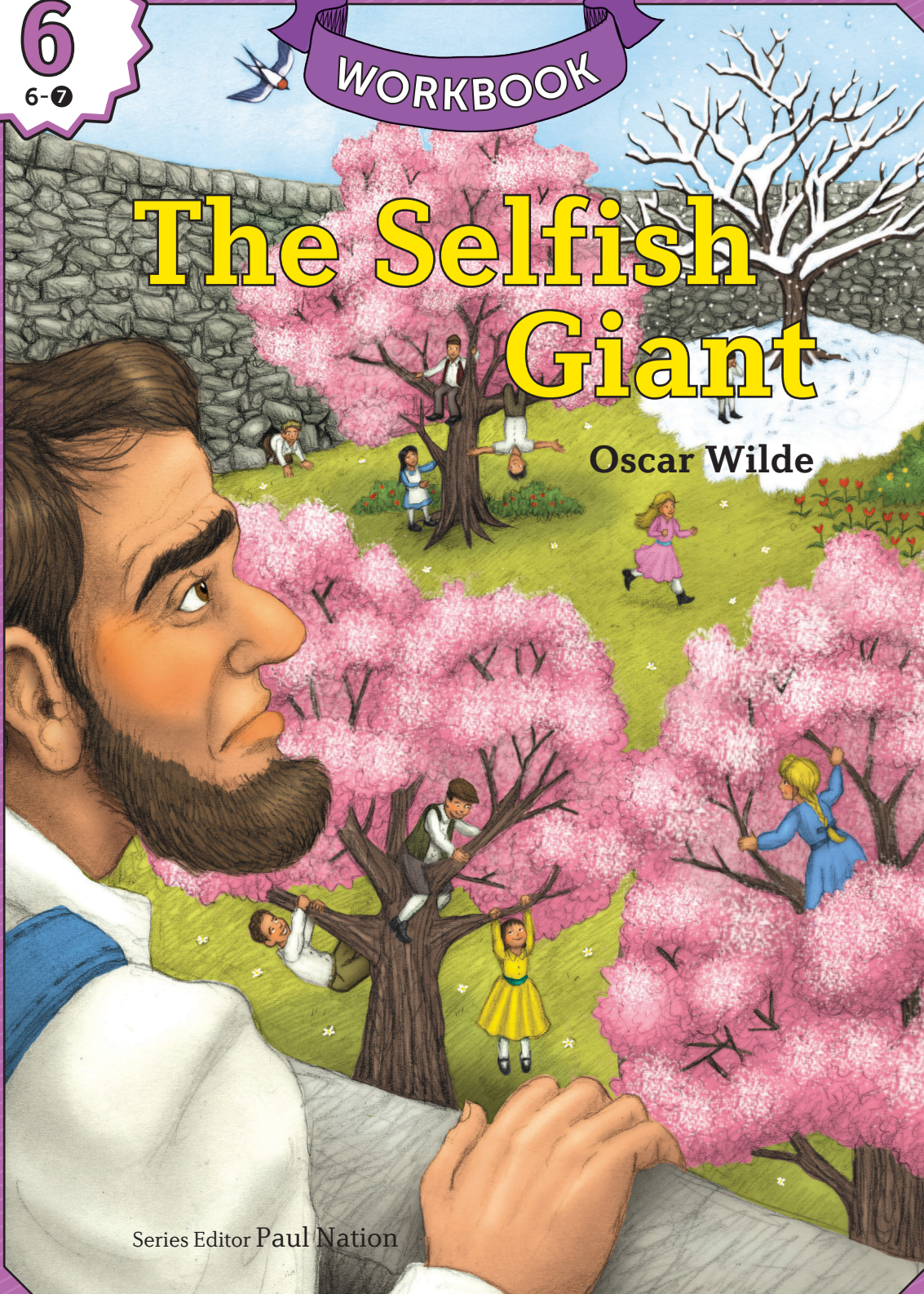
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WORKBOOK

# The Selfish Giant

Oscar Wilde



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# Reading Activities

## [ Chapter 1 ] Happy in the Garden

### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think is happy in the garden?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 7. What do you see?
- 3 What are the children doing in the garden?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

Whose garden was it?

- a. It was the children's garden.
- b. It was the giant's garden.
- c. It was the bird's garden.

**B.** Write T for True or F for False.

1. There were twelve peach trees. \_\_\_\_\_
2. The giant was away for ten years visiting the ogre. \_\_\_\_\_
3. The children were happy in the garden. \_\_\_\_\_
4. The pink blossoms broke out in autumn. \_\_\_\_\_
5. The children used to stop to listen to birds singing. \_\_\_\_\_
6. The peach trees bore rich fruit in the spring time. \_\_\_\_\_
7. The giant wanted children to play in his garden. \_\_\_\_\_
8. The giant said, "My garden is your garden." \_\_\_\_\_

## [ Chapter 2 ] Nowhere to Play

### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Where can the children play?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 10. How do the children feel?
- 3 Why do you think the giant put a notice on the wall?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

Why did the giant build a high wall around his garden?

- a. Because he wanted to keep out animals.
- b. Because he thought it looked nice.
- c. Because he was very selfish.

**B.** Put the information in the right place.

1. First, \_\_\_\_ 2. Next, \_\_\_\_ 3. After that, \_\_\_\_ 4. In the end, \_\_\_\_

- a. Springtime did not come to the garden.
- b. The giant built a high wall around his garden.
- c. The giant also put up a notice.
- d. The children could not enter the garden.



### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Do you like spring? Why or why not?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 14. How does the giant feel?
- 3 Do you think the giant likes the weather in his garden? Why or why not?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

Who didn't dance about through the trees?

- a. Autumn
- b. North Wind
- c. Hail

**B.** Match the sentences to the characters who said them.

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| 1. "Spring has forgotten this garden."             | • | • North Wind     |
| 2. "This is a delightful spot."                    | • | • Autumn         |
| 3. "He is too selfish."                            | • | • the giant      |
| 4. "I hope there will be a change in the weather." | • | • Snow and Frost |

## [ Chapter 4 ] Spring at Last!

### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Why do you think spring has returned?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 17. What does the garden look like?
- 3 Do you think the giant will change his mind and let the children play in his garden?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

What made the garden change?

- a. The children had crept back into the garden.
- b. A little bird sang in the garden.
- c. The king's musicians passed by.

**B.** Put a check  next to the things happened in the giant's garden.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> The hail stopped dancing               | <input type="checkbox"/> The north wind was roaring.               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> A little bird was singing.             | <input type="checkbox"/> A delicious perfume had crept in.         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children were sitting in the branches. | <input type="checkbox"/> The trees were covered with blossoms.     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The flowers were laughing.             | <input type="checkbox"/> There was a little hole in the window.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The giant's heart melted.              | <input type="checkbox"/> A little boy was standing on the wall.    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The giant was not sorry.               | <input type="checkbox"/> A little boy could not climb up the tree. |

## [ Chapter 5 ] A Special Boy

### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think is the special boy?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 20. What is happening?
- 3 What do you think the giant did for the little boy?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

Who did the giant love the best?

- a. The little bird
- b. The little boy
- c. The blossoms

**B.** Put the story in order from 1 to 7.

- The little boy kissed the giant. \_\_\_\_\_
- The giant put the boy up into the tree. \_\_\_\_\_
- Spring came back with the children. \_\_\_\_\_
- The giant knocked down the wall. \_\_\_\_\_
- The children came to the giant to say goodbye. \_\_\_\_\_
- The giant felt very sad. \_\_\_\_\_
- The children did not know where the little boy lived. \_\_\_\_\_

## [ Chapter 6 ] Missing His Friend

### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 Who do you think misses his friend?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 24. What is the giant doing?
- 3 Do you think the giant will see the boy again?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

What did the giant long for?

- a. The winter
- b. The children
- c. The little boy

**B.** Write the information in the right sentence.

giant/kind    over/played    longed/first

### The giant misses his friend

When school was \_\_\_\_\_, the children came and \_\_\_\_\_  
with the giant.

The \_\_\_\_\_ was very \_\_\_\_\_ to all the children.

The giant \_\_\_\_\_ for his \_\_\_\_\_ little friend.

## [ Chapter 7 ] Paradise

### Before You Read

Look at the chapter heading and illustration. Think about the questions below.

- 1 What is paradise?
- 2 Look at the illustration on page 27. Where is the little boy?
- 3 How does the giant look in the illustration?

### After You Read

**A.** Choose the best answer.

Who invited the giant to paradise?

- a. The little bird
- b. The little boy
- c. The winter

**B.** Put information in the right place.

- a. children      b. paradise      c. grew      d. came  
e. knelt      f. saw      g. covered      h. wounds of love

**An invitation to paradise** →

The giant \_\_\_\_\_ very old and weak.

→ He was happy to see the \_\_\_\_\_ have fun. →

One winter morning, he \_\_\_\_\_  
the little boy. →

He \_\_\_\_\_ near to the child. →

The child had \_\_\_\_\_ on his palms and feet. →

The giant \_\_\_\_\_  
before him. →

“You shall come with me to my garden,  
It is \_\_\_\_\_.” →

The giant was \_\_\_\_\_  
with blossoms.