

The Tooth Fairy's Wand

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INT. BOY'S BEDROOM - NIGHT

Moonlight through a large window illuminates toys on the floor, sports posters on the walls and model airplanes and dinosaurs on shelves.

Outside, a ball of light hovers over the back yard. It floats up to the window.

The TOOTH FAIRY, beautiful, Barbie doll-sized with transparent wings, flutters just outside. Her wings stop. She drops to the windowsill.

She leans forward against the window. Cups her hands around her eyes, peering into the bedroom. She scans the darkness.

Satisfied, she grabs the bottom of the window and lifts. Grunts. She bares a disproportionate but beautiful set of huge white teeth.

The window slides up a few inches. The Tooth Fairy zips inside and hovers next to the bed.

A superhero printed quilt rises and falls with the breathing of a small boy. Only a tuft of his messy hair is visible.

The Tooth Fairy lands on the bed, takes a deep breath and squirms under the pillow. She emerges with a Kleenex folded into a square.

She sets it on the dresser and unwraps it revealing a baby tooth. She smiles lovingly and flutters into the air. She raises her wand over her head and swirls it around in a circle. Fairy dust sparkles.

A butterfly net swoops by and snatches her out of the air. She's hung up in the bottom of the net. Her small wand slides through a hole in the bottom of the net. The Tooth Fairy grabs for it. Just misses. The wand leaves a trail of glittery dust as it spins slowly to the rug. It hits with a flourish of sparkles.

The Tooth Fairy lifts her eyes.

BOBBY, 8, sits up in his bed staring at her through the net. He smirks.

The Tooth Fairy looks to the ceiling. The top of the net is open. She zips straight up.

A hardcover book slides over the opening. The Tooth Fairy SLAMS into it. She drops back into the net and shakes her head. She looks out at Bobby.

Bobby smiles wide and menacing. A front tooth missing.

EXT. SMALL SUBURBAN HOME - DAY

Bobby, school bag over his shoulder, strolls out of his lane and turns down the street.

A DOG sticks its head through an opening in a fence. It growls and barks. Bobby stops.

The dog SNAPS at him. Drool drips from its tightly packed teeth.

Bobby scans the area. No one around. He pulls the small wand from his back pocket. Holds it up. Glittery dust sparkles from the end of it.

The dog snarls. A flash. BLING

The dog's teeth turn into coins and fall from its mouth.

Dimes, quarters and nickels CLINK against the sidewalk.

The dog, toothless, watches the coins come to a rest. It tilts its head side to side.

Bobby kneels by the fence and collects the coins.

With a growl, the dog clamps its gums onto Bobby's arm.

Bobby pulls his arm out of the dog's mouth.

The dog's gums SLAP together. The dog growls and barks. Once again it clamps its mouth over Bobby's arm.

Bobby bares his teeth and GROWLS at the dog. The dog whimpers and scoots away.

INT. BOBBY'S BEDROOM - DAY

A stack of books holds the handle of the butterfly net to the floor.

The Tooth Fairy, wings flapping, zips around under the loose netting.

She zooms up to the top of the net. The rim of the net barely lifts off the floor. The books don't budge. She drops to the rug. Catches her breath. The net drifts down and drapes over her.

EXT. SCHOOLYARD - DAY

Bobby strolls across the grass towards the school entrance.

COINS JINGLE. His pockets bulge.

A shadow creeps over him.

A BIG BULLY and a SMALL BULLY walk on either side of him.

Bobby stops. The coins stop JINGLING.

The bullies step in front of him. They cross their arms. Their eyes drop.

Impressions of the coins show through Bobby's front pockets.

Bobby covers his pockets with his hands and smiles wide, revealing his missing tooth.

Big Bully holds out his hand and gestures for Bobby to hand over the money. Small Bully CRACKS his knuckles.

Bobby reaches into his back pocket. Pulls out the small wand. Fairy dust sparkles from the tip.

The bullies stare. FLASH. BLING!

Their teeth transform into coins and drop to the grass.

The bullies hold their mouths. Look to each other, bawl and run off.

Bobby grins. Blows the end of the wand like a cowboy blows smoke from a gun. He spins it. Holsters it in his pocket.

INT. SCHOOL - CLASSROOM - DAY

Children LAUGH and CHAT.

Two pop cans, a milk, candy bars and packaged desserts are spread out on Bobby's desk.

PIGTAILS, 10, with head-mounted braces, sits next to him. She has a small lunch bag in front of her and holds a small sandwich in her hands. She eyes Bobby's food and licks her lips.

Bobby takes a substantial bite of his sandwich.

Pigtails reaches for one of Bobby's desserts.

Bobby, eyes on his food, holds up the wand. Tips it in her direction.

FLASH. BLING!

Pigtail's teeth are now coins connected by wire. She feels them with her tongue.

She bites into her sandwich. Pulls the sandwich from her mouth and studies the rounded impressions in the bread. She feels her coin teeth with her fingers. Her eyes go wide.

INT. BOBBY'S BEDROOM - DAY

The Tooth Fairy, hands clutching the underside of the rim, strains to lift it away from the rug. She bares her huge perfect teeth. Her tiny legs tremble as the rim bends up ever so slightly.

The books on the net's handle don't budge.

She loses her grip and the rim SLAPS down onto the rug.

The Tooth Fairy trips back onto the rug. She catches her breath. The netting drapes around her.

Furious, she grabs a bunch of the netting in front of her, balls it up and bites into it.

She growls and slides her jaw back and forth. Her huge teeth grind together, into the netting fibers.

TWANG!

She pulls the netting from her mouth. She's bit through a length of string. She squeezes through the opening. It's just big enough. She pops through and zips out the window.

A MOMENT LATER

She zips back in and lands on the dresser. She wraps up Bobby's tooth in the Kleenex and zips out with it.

EXT. CITY STREET - DAY

A BUM, 40s, sits cross-legged against a building.

Bobby strolls by.

The bum holds out a cup. Smiles wide. He's missing a couple teeth. The ones he has are crooked and brown.

FLASH. BLING!

The bum's teeth turn into pennies. They fall from his mouth and land in the cup. He dumps the pennies into his free hand. Grumbles. Closes his mouth. Having no teeth, his jaws shut closer together. His face is shorter. His cheeks and lips spread out, giving him jowls.

INT. DINOSAUR MUSEUM - DAY

A TOUR GUIDE leads a small TOUR GROUP to a display.

Bobby stands at the back with a devilish look in his eye. One by one he studies the huge sets of teeth in the dinosaur skeletons.

The Tooth Fairy zips in through the entrance. Spots Bobby.

Bobby dramatically raises the sparkling wand over his head.

The Tooth Fairy snatches it from his hand. Glares at him.

Bobby flashes a guilty smile.

The Tooth Fairy removes the tip from the end of the wand. She twirls the wand 180 degrees and sticks the tip on the other end. She spins the wand in circles above her head. Sparkling dust spreads out in all directions.

EXT. CITY STREET - DAY

The bum holds his cup in front of him. Sparkles pass by. BLING!

The bum's jaw lowers. His face elongates and his jowls disappear. His lips separate. He touches a perfect set of gleaming teeth. He views them in a reflection in the side of his cup. He looks into his cup. It's empty. He grumbles.

INT. PIGTAILS'S HOUSE - BATHROOM - DAY

Pigtails, tears running down her face, stands in front of the mirror. Stares at her coin teeth and metal braces. She hangs her head.

Sparkles pass by. BLING!

She looks up. The braces and coins have disappeared. A beautiful set of straight white teeth appear in their place. She taps them with a fingernail and smiles wide. Bats her eyelashes.

INT. DENTIST'S OFFICE - DAY

Big Bully and Small bully, slouched and depressed, sit in the waiting room with their parents.

Sparkles pass by. BLING!

They open their mouths. Perfect teeth. They turn to each other. Smile wide. They hug each other. Realizing that hugging and smiling is not cool, they pull away from each other and cross their arms.

EXT. NEIGHBOR'S YARD - DAY

Dog, depressed, looking pathetic, rests his head on the ground. It gums on a small, worn out teddy bear. It gets to his feet. Drops the stuffed animal. Drinks from a nearby water bowl.

Sparkles pass by. BLING!

His sharp teeth reappear with a FLASH of white. His eyes widen. He eyes the teddy bear. GROWLS. Grabs it up. Shakes it viciously. Shreds it to pieces. Then looks around for something else to shred.

INT. DINOSAUR MUSEUM - DAY

The Tooth Fairy, in a rage, tosses the folded Kleenex to Bobby. Bobby catches it. He unwraps it and stares at his baby tooth.

The Tooth Fairy glares at Bobby like she's about to explode. She grinds her teeth and twirls the wand above her head in a wicked fashion.

Bobby closes his eyes and shields himself, bracing for the worst.

BLING!

Bobby's baby tooth and the Kleenex turn into a pack of dental floss. Bobby cracks an eye open and peeks at it. He studies it, pulls out a length of floss, then looks to the Tooth Fairy, disappointed.

The Tooth Fairy clasps her hands together. Her eyelids flutter. She smiles a loving smile.

FADE OUT: