

BEFORE THE CLOCK STRIKES MIDNIGHT

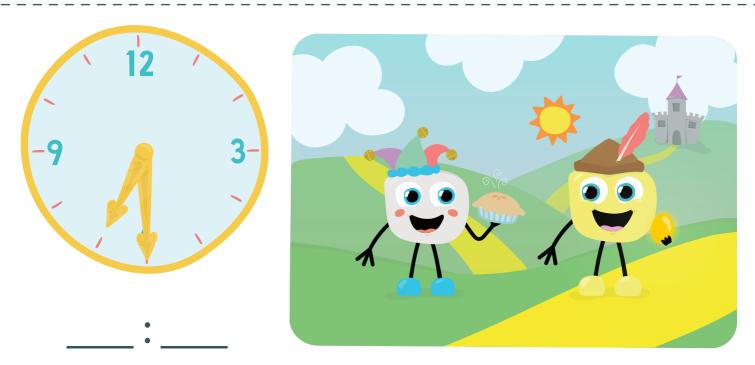


Use this enchanted clock to help teach little ones about telling time! Cut the story strips out on the second page, and let little ones match their enchanted clock face hands to the clock face picture, fill the correct time in the blanks, then put the story in order from 6 until midnight. Enjoy reading your Glo Pal fairytale together!

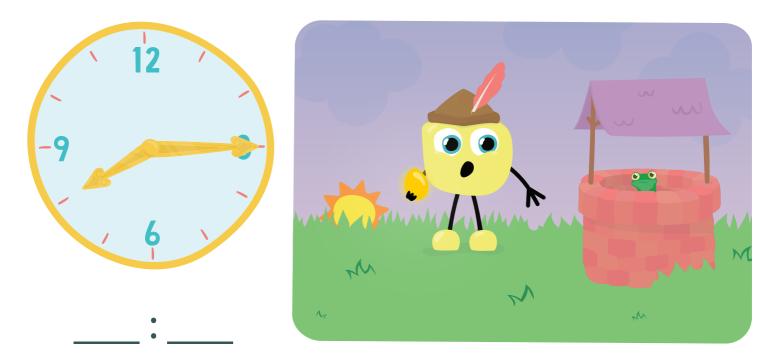




Once upon a time, in a land far, far away – Alex the Adventurer was frolicking through the egg-chanted forest when he stumbled upon Pippa the Sorceress – who held a magical glowing egg "I bequeath thee a quest." Pippa said solemnly, "take this to the castle as a special gift for Sammy the Prince... before the clock strikes midnight!" Pippa mysteriously vanished and Alex was left in the forest, holding the glowing egg.



Alex followed the twisty, turny, yellow brick road towards the castle, as the sun started to set. He attentively cradled his magical glowing egg. Suddenly, out from behind a bush popped Party Pal the Jester. "Halt! You shall not pass further until you beat me in a pie eating competition!" The match was close, but Alex pulled ahead – eating 8 apple pies! Party Pal the Jester ate 7 and a half. "You beat me!" exclaimed Party Pal. "Please, take the other half of my pie as a snack for the rest of your journey." Grateful, Alex continued on his way.



Using his magical glowing egg to guide the way through a dark, grassy field...Alex began to grow weary. He rested beside a wishing well. Out popped a mysterious singing frog. "Take the magic passage to complete your journey!" He croaked musically. The water in the well began to swirl, whirl, and glow...and Alex dove in!



Down, down the wishing well went Alex. He slid down a waterfall and his egg was nowhere to be seen! Upset and discouraged, Alex climbed to the edge of the duck pond he found himself in. Suddenly, the dark sky before him began to sparkle, and a soft purple cloud revealed Lumi the Fairy! "Shine your light, Alex the Adventurer." Lumi encouraged him, "The world needs your GLO!" When she disappeared, behind her was a duck resting on the side of the pond. Snuggled beneath her was the magical glowing egg. It was safe and sound after all!



A flame of fire blazed at the entrance of the castle gates. Alex approached courageously. As he neared the orange flare... he heard a "Pop!" followed by, "Pop! Pop! Pop!" and out from an immense black cauldron sprung... popcorn! Lots and lots of it... sizzling with butter and a sprinkle of salt. "Ah – Alex the adventurer – Greetings!" Called out Blair the Brave, "We have eagerly been awaiting your grand arrival!" Alex sighed a sigh of relief. Blair and the friendly dragon guided their Pal towards the castle.



The Castle was dark and quiet as the clock in the great hall struck Midnight. Alex, Blair, and the friendly dragon noticed the magical egg begin to glow brighter than ever before! It began to shake and rumble. The egg cracked to reveal a brilliant explosion of gleaming light, confetti, and a treasured Party Pal light-up cube! Sammy the Prince cheered "Hooray! You know what this means?! It's my BIRTHDAY!" To Alex's surprise, all the Pals he met along the way were also at the castle – Pippa, Party Pal, and Lumi! The Glo Pals danced and celebrated until dawn – and the castle was full of light, friendship, and FUN!