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**Pandora’s Box**

 Zeus was the ancient Greek God who was the ruler of all heaven. One day, he was very angry that a giant named Prometheus had given people fire. He created a beautiful woman, whom he named Pandora, which means “all-gifts” in Greek.

 Zeus sent Pandora down to earth with a little box that had a big lock on it. He told her never to open the box, and he gave the key to Pandora’s husband. Pandora was very curious about what was in the box. She begged her husband to let her open it, but he always said no. Finally, one day, when he fell asleep, she stole the key from him and opened the box.

 Out of the box flew all the troubles that people had never known before. There were Sickness, Worry, Crime, Hate, Envy, and all sorts of other bad things. Pandora was very sorry that she had opened the box! She tried to catch the bad things and put them back in the box, but it was too late. They all flew away.

 Pandora began to cry, but then a very strange thing happened. The last thing to fly out of the box, as Pandora sat there crying, was not as ugly as all the other horrible things. In fact it was beautiful. It was Hope, which Zeus had sent to keep us going when all the nasty things in life get us down.

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