

The honest woodcutter

There was a poor woodcutter living in a small home. One day he went to the forest with his iron axe, he started cutting a tree near a lake. Suddenly, his hands slipped and his axe fell into the lake. The woodcutter started crying then suddenly a goddess came out of the river to test him about his honesty. At first she came up with a golden axe and asked him "is that yours?" The woodcutter denied and then she came up with a silver axe and asked the same question and again the woodcutter denied and this time she showed him an ordinary axe and this time woodcutter agreed. The goddess told him that she like his honesty and gifted him all the axes. From that day the woodcutter became rich.