

## MOMOTARO

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M01	Long, long ago somewhere, there _____ an old man and woman. The old couple's house stood between a mountain and a river. Each day, the old man went up the mountain to cut _____, and the old woman went down to the river to wash clothes.
M02	One day, as always, the old woman was down at the river. When she finished the _____, she looked up and saw a great big peach. The peach was bobbing and rolling in the water. It was heavy and round and pink, and it looked delicious. But it was just out of _____.
M03	"Come over _____!" the old woman called out. "The water's sweeter over here!"
M04	And, sure enough, the great peach began to move _____ her. It bobbed and rolled and rolled and bobbed, straight into her arms. The old woman pulled the peach out of the water and smiled. She couldn't wait to _____ this wonderful fruit with her husband.
M05	That evening, as always, the old man came home with a load of wood on his back. When his wife showed him the peach, he couldn't believe his eyes. He picked it up and held it in _____ hands.
M06	"Look at the size of it!" he said. "Let's eat it _____ it's fresh!"
M07	He placed the peach on the table and picked up a knife. But just then the peach _____ to move.
M08	"_____ happening?" said the old woman.
M09	"It's _____!" her husband shouted.
M10	Suddenly the peach _____ in two, and a healthy baby boy jumped out!
M11	"WAAAAAH!" cried the baby, with a voice as _____ as a drum.
M12	The old man and woman were, of course, very surprised. But they were _____ very happy.
M13	"We always _____ for a child of our own!" the old woman said.
M14	"He's a gift from the gods!" said her husband. "Let's prepare his first _____!"
M15	The old man made a fire and heated some water. When he filled the _____, his wife reached for the baby. But the baby pushed her away and climbed into the hot water all by himself.

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M16	"Such power!" the old couple _____ and looked at each other.
M17	"What shall we _____ him?" the old woman said.
M18	"Well, he was _____ from a peach," said the old man. "So let's call him Momotaro."
M19	Thanks to the old couple's _____ care, the "Peach Boy" grew up healthy and strong. Even when he was little, Momotaro was the best sumo wrestler in the village. By the time he was twelve, no man in all of Japan could _____ him. And yet he was the sweetest, kindest boy in the land.
M20	Momotaro was only fourteen when he went before the old man and woman and _____ deeply.
M21	"Grandmother, Grandfather," he said. "I must _____ you for a while."
M22	"What?" said the old woman. "But _____ will you go?"
M23	"To Demons _____."
M24	"Demons Island?" cried the old man. "_____ for?"
M25	"To fight the demons," said Momotaro, "and bring back all the _____."
M26	In those days, you see, demons often came to people. They pushed the people around and took away their gold and silver and _____. Everyone was afraid of them.
M27	"But Demons Island is so _____!" said the old man.
M28	"And so _____!" said the old woman.
M29	"Please don't _____," said Momotaro. "I'll be home with the treasure in no time."
M30	The old man and woman didn't want their boy to go, but they knew they couldn't stop him. Momotaro always followed his dreams. So the old man gave him a _____ and a _____ of armor, and the old woman made him some millet dumplings—his favorite food. She also made a flag for Momotaro to carry. On the flag was a picture of a peach and the words Nippon Ichi.
M31	That _____ "Number One in Japan."
M32	The Peach Boy tied the bag of millet dumplings to his _____, held the flag high, and set out on his journey. He soon left the village _____ and started up the mountain.
M33	Now he was climbing the mountain _____.

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M34	Suddenly a dog came out of the _____. "Arf! Arf! Where are you going, Momotaro?"
M35	"To Demons Island, to _____ the demons."
M36	"Interesting! What's in the bag?"
M37	"The best millet dumplings in _____ Japan."
M38	"Give me one—Arf!—and I'll go with you!"
M39	"_____ you are, friend. Now follow me!"
M40	Now Momotaro and the dog were _____ through a forest. Suddenly a monkey climbed down from a tree.
M41	"Key! Key! Where are you going, Momotaro?"
M42	"To Demons Island, to fight the demons."
M43	"Interesting! What's in the bag?"
M44	"The best millet dumplings in all Japan."
M45	"Give me one—Key!—and I'll go _____ you!"
M46	"Here you are, friend. Now follow me!"
M47	Now Momotaro and the dog and monkey were marching across a wide green _____. Suddenly a pheasant flew down from the sky.
M48	"Whirr! Whirr! Where are you going, Momotaro?"
M49	"To Demons Island, to fight the demons."
M50	"Interesting! What's in the bag?"
M51	"The best _____ dumplings in all Japan."
M52	"Give me one—Whirr!—and I'll go with you."
M53	"Here you are, friend. Now follow me!"
M54	Now Momotaro and the dog and monkey and pheasant were marching down to the sea. A _____ ship was waiting there on the beach.
M55	"All _____!" said Momotaro. "We'll sail the ship to Demons Island!"

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M56	It was a fine day, with a good wind. The ship raced like an _____ across the deep blue sea. The dog was _____, the monkey was steering, and the pheasant was standing watch. Before very long, the pheasant called out:
M57	"Whirr! Whirr! I see an island!"
M58	Momotaro ran to the _____. He could just make out the high black walls of Demons Castle.
M59	"That's it!" he shouted. "Demons Island dead _____!"
M60	The dog pulled on the oar—Arf! Arf! The monkey held the ship _____—Key! Key! And the pheasant flew ahead to the island.
M61	The demons on the beach didn't see the _____. But they saw the ship, and they were very afraid. They ran inside their castle and locked the big black gate. When the ship _____, Momotaro and the dog and monkey jumped out. They marched right up to the castle.
M62	"Open up!" the dog shouted and kicked at the gate. "Open up, or prepare for _____!"
M63	The demons pushed against the gate from inside, to _____ it closed. But the pheasant flew down from the castle tower and pecked at their eyes.
M64	"It hurts!" the demons cried. "Run for your _____!"
M65	Now it was the monkey's _____. He climbed over the wall and opened the gate from inside.
M66	"Momotaro of Japan!" the dog called out as the Peach Boy marched into the _____.
M67	The King of Demons stepped out of the castle to meet them. He had ten or twelve of his biggest, strongest demons with him. All of them carried iron _____.
M68	"Who do you _____ you are?" said the king.
M69	"I'm Momotaro of Japan. And I've come to take back _____ treasure."
M70	"Not without a fight, you _____!" The king held up his club.
M71	"As you _____," said Momotaro, and the fight began.
M72	Demons are big and _____, but they're weak of heart. The pheasant flew from one to another—Whirr! Whirr!—and pecked at their eyes. The dog ran from one to another—Arf! Arf!—and _____ their legs. And the monkey jumped from one to another—Key! Key!—and scratched their faces. Before very long, the demons all threw down their clubs and ran away in tears.

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M73	The only one _____ was the king himself. He stepped forward and tried to hit Momotaro with his club. But Momotaro jumped out of the way and threw him to the ground. Then he _____ the king's head in his powerful arm.
M74	"Stop! I give up!" cried the king. "You _____, Momotaro! Please don't kill me! You can have the treasure!"
M75	Finally Momotaro _____ go. The king got down on all fours and thanked him again and again. Then he ordered his demons to fill a _____ with all the gold and silver and jewels in the castle. They loaded the cart on the ship.
M76	"We'll never _____ your people again!" the King of Demons promised.
M77	"See that you don't," said Momotaro. And he and the dog and monkey and pheasant jumped on the ship and _____ for home.
M78	Back home, the old man and woman were waiting for _____ Peach Boy.
M79	"I hope he's all right," the old woman said. "Oh, when will he _____?"
M80	"Look!" said the old man. "Here he comes now!"
M81	Momotaro was marching down the _____ toward the village. Behind him, the dog and monkey were pulling a cart full of gold and silver and jewels. Above the cart, in the clear blue sky, the pheasant flew in _____.
M82	"That's our boy!" cried the old man. "We knew you _____ do it, Momotaro!"
M83	"We're so glad you're _____!" the old woman said.
M84	Everyone _____, and the cherry trees were blooming.