

The Most Important Boggle Story Ever Podcast Transcript

INTRO MUSIC

NARRATOR: The Most Important Boggle Story Ever, as told by Balderdash Boggle and retold by me, Beccy, from Story Trails.

SFX: Woodland ambience of birds singing

NARRATOR: For anyone who doesn't know, Boggles are tiny little creatures who live in rocks, and very often those rocks are painted in some special kind of way because you see, Boggles love painted rocks best of all.

And this story is what Balderdash Boggle calls The Most Important Boggle Story Ever!

And it begins like lots of very important stories, it begins like this, 'Once Upon a Time...'

Once upon a time the boggles lived very far from each other.

So far away, they didn't even know that there were other boggles.

Until one day, an adventurous boggle, called Hope, decided to go on a journey. The boggle travelled far and wide – all across the enchanted trail. And that is when she found more boggles, and more boggles and MORE boggles!

She returned to her home and told all of the other boggles about each other. At first they were excited. How wonderful that we are not the only ones, they said.

But then a voice called out... 'What do the other boggles want?' said Grampus.

'What do you mean?' said Hope, 'why should they *want* anything but to be our friends?'

'Ah,' said Grampus, 'everyone wants something.'

The other boggles nodded. That was true, they said, everyone does want something.

'And what,' said Grampus, 'if they want our boggle-rocks?'

'That's silly,' said Hope, 'they have their own!'

But the rest of the boggles weren't so sure that it *was* silly. Their boggle rocks were very beautiful. What if the other boggles *did* want them?

'We'll take their boggle-rocks first!' said Grampus.

And they all went off, to do just that.

Hope felt terrible. None of this would have happened if she'd just stayed at home.

She chased after all of her friends and family to try and get them to change their minds.

As they were on their way, and congratulating themselves for deciding to attack first, they came across the other boggles, all coming in their direction!

If it was a fight they wanted, they'd get it.

All the boggles stared and stared at one another.

Then Hope ran between them all.

'Wait,' she said, 'let me tell you a story.'

'A story?' they all said.

'Yes,' said Hope. She knew that the boggles loved stories more than anything. And she was right.

They couldn't resist!

She held up her story-stick – so that no one could interrupt her until she was finished.

She told story, after story. They laughed and cried, and nodded their heads and clapped their hands. She spoke until her voice grew hoarse and she couldn't say another word. And then the boggles realised that they had all sat down, and that they had all listened together, and that they really were all very alike.

They were friends after all.

And ever since then, there have been boggle storytellers. You always know, because they have their story-stick.

And I wonder how many of you listening now might be storytellers too?
Perhaps you could find a story-stick?

And remember, things aren't always what they seem, and we can usually
solve our difference if we just listen to one another.

SFX: Woodland ambience FADE OUT

OUTRO MUSIC

NARRATOR: You've been listening to an original Story Trails tale by Beccy Stirrup.

With sound effects and music sourced via freesound: Woodland ambience by
HDMattinson and the intro and outro by Dvideoguy.

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And, until the next tale, remember that all stories have magic in them – that's
why learning to write a word is called spelling.