

## A New Ending For “The Eggs”

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Six years passed. At last the captain returned to the place where he'd eaten the eggs. He'd never forgotten his unpaid bill. When he saw the innkeeper, he said, “Do you remember me?” Suddenly, the innkeeper felt really surprised.

“Hello! Nice to meet you but who are you?” the innkeeper asked.

“I am a captain. Do you still remember the unpaid bill six years ago? I ate your eggs, so I want to pay the money and thank you,” added the captain.

The innkeeper thought for a few minutes. “I also remember that. I think the eggs are really cheap. As this happened long long ago, I won't get your money,” the innkeeper said.

“Thank you very much and you're really nice,” the captain said with joy. Then, they smiled.

**Teacher's Feedback:** In the original story, the innkeeper was so mean that he asked the captain to pay five hundred gold pieces for the eggs. In this new ending, the innkeeper is so kind that he doesn't ask for anything in return. The new ending preserves the “atmosphere” of the original story. Yet, it offers a different ending for the readers to choose. (Miss Sandra Ng)

**Food For Thought:** If you were the innkeeper, would you ask the captain to pay the interest of the unpaid bill?