

## The old man

Once upon a time 500 million years ago there was an old man living in the woods with his wife. They didn't have a lot of money so on the weekend the man would travel to the city and sell wood. In the winter he travelled to the city like usual the old man said goodbye to his wife and left but this time it felt, more intense I guess and so the old mans intuition was correct because when he returned home his wife disappeared

It was like she didn't exist. nothing of her's was in the hut. No clothes, no pictures nothing. The old man got scared and ran into the woods looking for her. Days later the man heard a knock on his door and when he opened it he couldn't believe his eyes. A small man with a pointy hat and big eyes was standing right in front of him. the man was afraid

but invited the mysterious creature inside, the creature asked the man one thing: "do you miss your wife?"

he smiled. The old man got angry and began to shout at the creature.

The creature's eyes began to narrow. Its teeth became sharper and the man was once again afraid. He started shaking and pleading. When the man calmed down he

Asked the little creature what he wanted. The creature answered with a small grin and said: "I know where your wife is. If you want me to help you I will need something in return". The old man agreed not asking any questions. The creature smiled his teeth no longer sharp, his eyes no longer narrow. "I need you to build me a big temple. When you are

finished place food  
in front of the temple  
and wait. Do not let  
anybody eat the food or  
you will never see your wife  
again". The old man nodded  
and the creature disappe-  
ared. Months later the  
man had finally built a  
temple with stone. He was  
tired and had little hope.  
He placed some food  
in front of the temple and  
waited. After a while

He finally heard footsteps and magically he saw his wife walking out of the woods. He ran towards her with a big smile on his face completely forgetting about the food. He suddenly remembered and looked towards where the food was supposed to be but it wasn't in front of the temple anymore and when he turned back around, his wife had disappeared as well. The

old man had lost all hope.  
He stood up walked inside  
the temple and was never  
seen again. legend says  
that you can still hear the  
hopeless screaming of the  
old man inside the temple.  
And if by chance you see a  
pointy hat in the bushes.  
Run.

## The story of Hagar Qim

It is 3300 B.C. on the south western part of Malta. The tribe that lives here is working really hard to build a temple that will some day be one of the most important historical temples in Malta. People help each other and work as a team. The strongest men lift stones that weigh over five tons. Life isn't easy. People are hungry and if they want to eat, they have to go on a hunt. When they see the prey they hide in the bushes and wait for the right moment to attack. They use spears and rocks. Once the animal is dead they take it home, make a fire and cook it. Everyone gathers around the fire and children start eating. When they finish their meals, others start to eat too. They eat once a day or less often, so they are very hungry. After a long day they are exhausted from building the temple that they will be using as a shelter. Before falling asleep they tell each other the most interesting stories about their life. Next day early in the morning, they are awakened by the warm rays of the sun. They immediately start their day. Women go to pick fruits and nuts for working men, that are building one of the oldest temples on Earth. The temple is almost done. They sing as they carry the last few stones on the top of their shelter, but they have to work together because these stones are very heavy. Everyone is watching as the strongest men in the tribe lift the last stone. When they finish, everybody cheers, because now they are safe in the temple that many generations have been building and many more generations will be living in.

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## THE STORY ABOUT HAGAR QIN

A long time ago there was a small town called Hagar. A king Namjoon was the best king in the world and everyone liked him except one boy, who was always depressed and he knew about something but he didn't want to tell anybody. His name was Jack. He was hiding in his house and just his mom Jina could come in. There were many stories about his house and that he was hiding strange maps and books, but no one knew what he was actually hiding. One day king Namjoon said to their knights to go in Jack's house and to find out what he was hiding. They went to Jack's house. They knocked on the door and everything started to shake. Jack packed all what he needed in his bag and ran. He ran and after a long time he saw some kind of temple. He went in it and looked onto his maps. On the map was a temple. He walked through it with map. On the walls of the temple was painting a lot of stones. In his book was a legend and it said, that once when somebody knocks on the door of the enemy, on the other side of town will show up a temple for him (enemy) and he will find there everything what he needed. King Namjoon was angry. Everyone started to search for Jack. They saw his footsteps and in the minute they just disappeared. The temple was gone. Everyone was searching for it. After 100 years the temple was found by a boy named Justin. The temple started to be the biggest tourist place in Hagar.

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# Secret of Jungle

A long time ago there was a guy named Jake. He wanted to go on a trip in Jungle alone. The next day he went in the Jungle, he was walking 4 miles. He saw a Temple, he went in the Temple. He wanted to call somebody because nobody knew about this and he didn't have enough signal to call so he grabbed his camera and then he went back to the town to show somebody who knew about temples. They went to the temple but it wasn't there, but then Jake showed them the pictures of temple. They were shocked. They didn't know why the temple disappeared. They are still searching for the temple. They paid Jake about 4000 dollars. Jake went home with money. His family was so happy and they lived happy.

# A LEGEND ABOUT THE HAGAR QIM TEMPLE

Malta wasn't always as populated and developed as it is today. About 5000 years ago there was a tribe that lived there. They were protective of their island and they didn't have contact with people from other parts of the world. The chief was old, wise and very demanding. He had 3 sons and a daughter. It was a tradition that the chief's sons fought when they all turned 18 and the one that survived was in charge of the tribe after his father died. The youngest son was turning 18 next month, so everyone was nervous and worried. The chief ordered them to build a temple where they were supposed to fight. The men worked hard and the women cooked food and looked after the kids.

One day early in the morning when they were working, the chief's daughter heard some people yelling in the distance. She followed the sounds and what she discovered was really weird. It was a ship with a bunch of people around it and they didn't look friendly, but there was a man that caught her attention. He was young, strong and handsome. She had to tell her father about the discovery, so she ran home. The chief gathered the people and got ready to fight, but when they got closer to their enemies, they didn't fight back. The man she saw earlier explained that they were travelling to Africa and they need a place to stay for a few days because their ship is broken. The chief allowed them to stay there for 3 nights.

The chief's daughter couldn't sleep on the first night, so she went for a walk. She went to the beach and strangely the man from earlier was there too. She had a weird feeling about him, but it wasn't bad. She trusted him. They talked and she told him about her brothers' upcoming fight. He comforted her and told her to come there again next night.

The next day went on normally. The men built the temple and the women helped. The night was finally here. She went to the beach again. The man told her he had a plan to save her brothers and kissed her.

In the morning they went to the chief. They told him that they wanted to get married, but he didn't agree, so they went to her brothers. They explained that if they got married, he could be the next chief and no one had to die. The brothers thought it was a good idea, so they all went to the chief again. He said that they could do it if the man could finish up building the temple until the following morning. It was an impossible job, but he took the chance.

When the night came he got to work. He tried moving some rocks, but he was exhausted. He closed his eyes and prayed for God's help. He didn't remember when he fell asleep, but when he woke up it was the next day. He looked around and he was amazed. The temple was built and that meant God helped him.

They got married that day and everyone was happy. From that day on, they lived in the temple and prayed for luck and happiness everyday.

# A cafe of secrets

Thousands of years ago a little boy lived in a poor village in Malta. Even though he was young, he had to carry stones from the beach to the village. He was also building houses from stones. He didn't like carrying stones, but he loved to build small houses. He lived in a poor family. His father was a leader of hunters. He always knew when Richard didn't go on work.

One day Richard went to the beach to grab stones and found a cave. He went in slowly and carefully. The walls were smooth. He found heavy, gold stones. It was gold, but Richard thought that something was behind the stones. He threw all gold into the sea. There was a hole like a door. He made a torch and went into the hole. There was a big temple with rocks and stones in different shapes. At the end of the cave was a treasure. There were diamonds and gold stones in it. He showed the cave to a father and his family became rich. The village was also becoming bigger and bigger. After he found a cave he was a celebrity of his village. Everyone knew him, but he just wanted made his family proud.

## Hagar A'im temple

Once upon a time there was a place by the sea. It was a quiet and calm place and nobody ever went there until that day. There was a big, old tree and several animals lived there, they really liked telling others about the thing that happened that unusual day. They saw something running towards them, they were really scared at first because they didn't know what to expect. The thing was moving very quickly and after a few minutes they saw a human. It was actually a girl with light hair and pale skin. She was carrying a baby, running up the hill and crying. The animals didn't know what was happening but they wanted to help her. The squirrel decided to talk to her and find out what's happening. The lady told her that she ran away from home and while she was walking through the forest the wolves attacked her, but thankfully they didn't hurt her or her baby. The night came very quickly and they were all very exhausted so they fell asleep. It was very cold and windy and the mother didn't want her child to catch a cold so she gave him all her clothes and sadly froze to death. She went to a better place called heaven, but she knew that if she didn't help her child survive through the night, he wouldn't survive. She asked her friends to help her build a temple so her son could grow up in it and live his life. It took them a few hours to make it but they succeeded and they were very happy, especially son's mother. He grew up in it and the animals took care of him, his mother was very proud of him and herself. She watched him every day of his life and waited for him to join her in this beautiful place.

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# SIGN THAT NEVER ENDS

It was 467 BC. People were happy and having fun. This town wasn't that big, it was hiding in the desert, but they had everything, enough water, food. It was special place, it was different. But one day there was a hurricane. It was raining, there was a strong wind, animals and some people were flying in the air. It destroyed everything. Hurricane was gone, but it left something. It was a girl with dark brown hair, almost black. She was wearing a white dress. She was like an angel. She was a Queen. She looked scared. King of this little town saw her and invited her in his castle. She was having fun, but nobody knew that she has a power of moving mountains, bringing sun to the Earth, changing weather and stopping time. Every man was attracted by her and that wasn't strange, she was beautiful. She was young and she fell in love with a prince. They got married. One day, they were walking down the hill, when she saw rocks, lying there. Her husband knew, she had a power, he was very surprised when he heard that, but he loved when she

moved something and made sun on windy day. She was quite suprised when she saw those rocks, they were walking over this same hill all the time and never saw them. They knew nobody walks here. At the night she snicked out and went to those rocks. There was a light, she touched it and it flashed. She saw her dad after more than 10 years. He was talking to her: "My dear daughter, I send you to that town to make you happy, I knew you were going to fall in love and get married. I sent these rocks to you, that you were going to always remember me and that your marriage would last forever. I love you." She was crying and she remembered her dads words. She used her powers and made a circle, a sign that never ended. She and her husband were there everyday. They built a house they named Hagar Gaim. After a while they had kids, they lived there happily ever after.

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## A SECRET TEMPLE

Long, long time ago there was the King of Malta. He was very rich and had a lot of treasure. Shortly after his 17<sup>th</sup> birthday he fell in love with a beautiful princess from England. After a lot of arguments and yelling, princess's father let young and beautiful couple get married. At their wedding her father pronounced that for taking good care for his daughter, he'd give him something in return. He built the King of Malta the nicest temple anyone has ever layed their eyes on. He gladly accepted this generous gift. Years past and king's wife kept getting sicker. Few months after, she died. Her father was furious about his daughter's death. He said to the king "this is not over, I'll get my revenge somehow". The king waited but nothing happened. After some

time he wanted to visit his temple. When he got there he was shocked. He looked down the cliff he couldn't believe his eyes. The whole temple was deep, deep underwater. He order all people he knew to find out how that happened. He even said he would give the faunder 1000 gold coins, if someone faund out what happened. For his bad luck nowone ever faund out how that happened. So in the end he lost his temple and he lost his loving wife. But quit a few years past and majestic temple is still full underwater.

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