

The Man Who Bought A Shadow, by Jan Burkins & Kim Yaris (Mondo, 2018)

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2	<p>One hot afternoon, a young man walked through the village. The sun beat down on his head and shoulders.</p> <p>The man looked for a cool place to rest. He saw a patch of grass under a tree. He sat down and fell asleep in the cool shade.</p>						
4	<p>Suddenly, the man who owned the tree woke him up. He was very angry.</p> <p>“This is my tree and it is my shade. You must leave at once!” the man shouted.</p> <p>As the young man listened calmly, he got an idea.</p>						
6	<p>The young man said he would pay for the shade, if he could use it whenever he wanted.</p> <p>“This man is a fool!” thought the greedy man.</p> <p>“He will pay me just to sit under my tree.”</p>						



	<p>“Deal,” he said.</p> <p>And the young man paid him to sit in the shadow.</p> <p>The greedy man felt very smart.</p>						
8	<p>The greedy man was happy to make so much money.</p> <p>He danced around the village and told everyone how smart he was . . .</p>						
9	<p>. . . and how he had tricked a foolish young man.</p>						
10	<p>The next day, the young man returned late in the afternoon. He brought some friends with him. They had a picnic in the tree’s cool shade. When the greedy man looked out the window and saw them, he was very angry!</p>						
12	<p>The man stormed outside to shoo them away.</p> <p>The young man said, “I paid to use this shade any time. Right now, the shade is in the middle of your yard.”</p>						

13	<p>As the greedy man fussed, the sun moved lower in the sky. The shadow under the tree grew even longer.</p>						
14	<p>“Look!” said the young man, “the shade has moved to your front porch. And so will we!”</p> <p>The greedy man stomped his feet as they gathered their picnic and moved to his front porch.</p> <p>“A deal is a deal!” said the young man.</p>						
15	<p>The greedy man gave up. He said he would return the young man’s money, if he would just stay away.</p> <p>The young man had another idea.</p> <p>“If you give me half of your fortune,” he said,</p> <p>“I will stay out of your shade forever.”</p>						
16	<p>The greedy man agreed, and gave the wise young man half of all he owned. The young man shared the money with people in the village who needed it. This made them all very happy.</p>						
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