

Second Edition

Kid's BOX

Stories 6

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Story 8



Characters

- Narrator
- Diggory
- Emily
- Iam Greedy
- Mr Tricker
- Sir Doug
- Police officers

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Iyam Greedy I've just pushed the corn symbol!
Why hasn't the door opened?

Emily Because you haven't danced for the gods yet.

Iyam Greedy Do we have to do a dance?

Emily Do we, Dad?

Diggory No. We have to push the right symbol.

Diggory About four kilometres west of Chichen Itza there are some caves called Balankanche.

Emily But the museum there has been open for about forty years. No secrets there, Dad!

Emily The Aztecs and Mayas both used underground rivers to water their fields.

Diggory Here we are! There's a picture of the god of corn and the opening to a cave.

Iyam Greedy My gold!

Iyam Greedy My gold! Where is it?

Emily They also kept their food underground. There's enough corn here to start a business!

Diggory Don't you remember? The Aztec name for the Pleiades was 'The Market Place'.

Iyam Greedy My gold! My gold!

Emily It isn't gold, Mr Greedy, but yes, it is treasure. People eat corn all over the world except Antarctica.

Diggory Yes and popcorn's a good business. It's popular in cinemas everywhere! Now let's go!

Emily Aaagh!

Iyam Greedy I've made plans for your daughter, Bones. International travel!

Diggory Thank you, Iyam, but I've already made plans for all of us.

Sir Doug Hello there, Diggory! I've brought a few friends with me!

Diggory Thanks, Dad! Have you told Interpol yet? They've wanted this pair for three years.

Sir Doug Now let's get the Sun Stone back. Phone the museum, son.

Diggory You weren't the only one with a mobile phone, Iyam! They've used mine to follow us here, too!