

The illustration is a watercolor-style drawing. In the background, a large, muscular ogre with a red nose, white horns, and a green tuft of hair on its head looms. In the foreground, a young girl with a red hood and a long blonde braid smiles. She is wearing a blue and white striped dress with a red sash. The ogre's body is rendered in warm, blended colors of orange, red, and green, while the girl's clothing uses cooler tones of blue and red.

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One morning, Hedda watched her goats from the top of a hill.

Along came an ogre. “Oh dear!”
said Hedda. “This ogre looks hungry.”





Hedda had an egg and a lump of salt in her pocket. And she knew that ogres liked to brag about their strength.

“Can you squeeze this stone into water?” said Hedda.

“Of course,” said the ogre. The ogre tried to squeeze it into water, but couldn’t.

“I can do it,” said Hedda.

“Let’s see,” laughed the ogre.

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Hedda hid the egg carefully in her hand. She squeezed. *Crack!* Eggwhite dripped from Hedda's hand.

“You can squeeze a stone into water!”
said the ogre.



