**The Green Genie**

**UNIT 2 The Fairy Ring**

**Conor and Katie loved their granddad. He lived on a farm. It**

**was the best place to play hide and seek. Granddad would**

**tell them fantastic fairy stories. The children’s favourite**

**story was about the fairy ring at the top of the hill. Granddad**

**always told them to stay away from it in case the fairies**

**caught them. He said the fairies would sing a song to put you**

**in a deep sleep. Katie thought it was nonsense – all**

**nonsense. The children wanted to play hide and seek.**

**Granddad said they could go outside. Katie ran straight out**

**to the yard to hide. Conor soon found her behind the tractor**

**and shouted, Boo! Katie got such a fright that she fell**

**backwards. Katie was upset and squeezed her eyes to stop**

**the tears. She ran out of the yard and up the hill until she**

**reached the fairy ring. She forgot her Granddad’s warning**

**and squeezed in between the stones. Beautiful music soon**

**started to lull her to sleep... Some time later Katie woke up.**

**She could see little fairy men and women. They danced**

**around her singing their favourite song. Katie was frightened.**

**She tried to get up but the beautiful music lulled her back to**

**sleep. The next time Katie woke up she looked around. There**

**were no fairies. She was back in Granddad’s cottage. She saw**

**Granddad and Conor smiling at her. Conor told her that they**

**had found her fast asleep in the fairy ring, singing in her sleep.**

**Granddad had carried her home. Was it real was it a dream?**

**Katie wasn’t sure but she was sure that she would never go**

**near the fairy ring again!**