

READER 5: Once upon a time when pigs could whistle and pots could talk

there lived a poor hungry husband and wife.

skinny pig.

READER 4:

The couple lived in a dusty house and owned one

and wife spent all
had no time to

READER 3:

Now, the house was dusty because the husband and
their time trying to put food on the table. They had
clean.

any left-overs in

READER 1:

And the pig was skinny because there were rarely any
the kitchen.

small potato and
ded to sell the
t to himself,

READER 4:

One day, the wife opened her pantry to find one small
nothing else! That was when the husband decided to
skinny pig. As he led the pig to market, he thought

as this pig!"

READER 2/HUSBAND:

"Nobody will be interested in buying a pig as skinny

day, however,
ffered to trade
The husband

READER 5:

And he was right, nobody was. Near the end of the
a funny looking dwarf approached the husband and offered
the skinny pig for an old black cooking pot.
considered the offer, but finally answered,

ave nothing to

READER 2/HUSBAND:

"No thanks. I don't really need a cooking pot. He can't
cook."

READER 4:

But the dwarf persisted. He argued,

READER 1/DWARF: "I may be small and ugly, but I'm certainly capable of caring for a skinny pig! I've wanted a pig all my life. Want to teach it to whistle 'Oh, Canada.' Oh, did I mention that this pot can talk and its owner will be blessed with good fortune?"

READER 4: Finally, the husband traded the pig for the pot and went home.

READER 3: His wife was not pleased. She knitted her brow, wrinkled her nose, and shouted,

WIFE: "Good fortune indeed!"

READER 3: She took the pot to the kitchen, threw the small potato into the pot, filled the pot to the top with water, and placed it over the fire.

READER 2: It was then that the pot started to make strange noises. The noises grew louder and louder and louder until finally the pot cried out,

POT: "I's a fast skippin' pot
'At's what I be.
I must skip so

ALL: SET ME FREE!"

READER 1: The wife considered the situation for a moment, then replied,

WIFE: "Well, if you must, you must. Go ahead and skip!"