

# Coventry Building Society's Young Writer of the Year competition 2025

I came home from school and there was a mystery box at the end of my bed.  
I couldn't believe what was inside...

I dropped my backpack in excitement when I saw the box and opened it. A swirl of glitter whisked me away to a vibrant flower field. Surrounded by stunning blooms, I reached for one, and another glittering rush sent me deeper into this mysterious world. A beautiful fairy appeared out of nowhere. After a long conversation with her, she told me that I was, in fact, in Fairyland. I was shocked to hear this, but as I looked around, it seemed to be true. I asked her what her name was, she said her name was Isabelle. I smiled and said it was a nice name. Isabelle had a mature appearance, with silky blonde hair that reached up to her back. She wore a purple skirt and a blue top. In Fairyland, Isabelle was well known for her kind yet cunning nature. She had a beautiful voice that echoed loudly whenever she sang. After a while, Isabelle took me to a stunning, divine palace that was next to a big waterfall.



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Inside the palace, there was a throne, and the hall was filled with fairies. Isabelle told the king of the fairies how I had arrived their world. I feared the king might banish me, but to my surprise, he greeted me warmly with a big feast. We all ate and enjoyed ourselves. As the evening wore on, I noticed it was getting dark. Isabelle then told me that if I didn't return soon, I would turn into a fairy. I asked her how I could go back. She explained that I needed to return where I had landed first and there will be a time portal waiting for me but I have only five minutes or else I would remain a fairy forever. So, I said goodbye to the fairies and the fairy king. Isabelle took me back to where I had landed, and there, just as she had said, was the time portal waiting for me. I said goodbye to Isabelle, stepped into the portal, and time-travelled back to Earth. When I arrived, my family was in tears, worried about me. I smiled and said, "It's a long story. I opened a box near my bed and it teleported me to Fairyland. I met a fairy named Isabelle. It's going to take a while to explain."

