

## **Le quaglie magiche (The magic quails)**

In a little village there stood the house of two contadini. One day the husband told his wife that he was going to the city to buy new livestock.

As soon as the husband had left, his wife called her lover over to the house and started to prepare a good dinner, not like any she ever gave her husband.

A thunderstorm came on unexpectedly and the husband, who was still in transit, decided to return home.

When he arrived, he found the man and received a nasty shock, but his wife, in order to calm him, explained that the man was there because he had something that could make him rich.

Indeed, the man declared that he had three magic quails under his hat and that through them the contadino could obtain everything he might desire.

To check the claim, the husband asked for a roast, and to his surprise found one in the oven; then he expressed the desire for a soup made with best pasta, and found some of that in the oven too.

By now he was almost convinced but, without him noticing, the two escaped.

He attempted to make other things appear, but without success; then he looked under the cap, found nothing there, and was overcome with anger at the thought that he had been made a fool of so easily.

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