

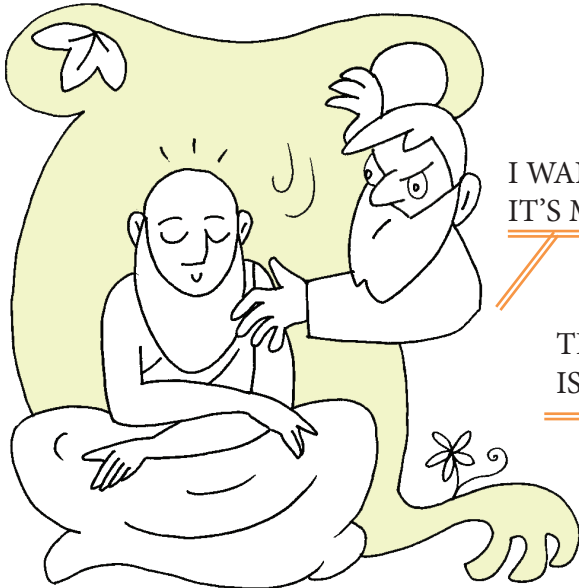
THE DIAMOND



“What is the real gem to look for?”

A hermit was sitting blissfully in meditation under a tree when, all of a sudden, a thief appeared from nowhere. He had angry eyes and an angry mouth...

“Give it to me! I know you have it. I want your precious gem!” Shouted the thief.



The hermit opened his eyes. He wasn't at all startled and didn't seem surprised. He looked at the man and smiled. His smile was full of loving compassion.



“Is this what you want?” asked the hermit, showing the man a huge diamond. The gem was shining so brightly that it looked like a little sun!



“NOW IT'S MINE!”

Said the angry looking thief. He grabbed the diamond from the monk's hands and ran away.

Many weeks went by. The hermit continued to meditate blissfully under the tree, when...



“Ehmm...Sir...” The thief was standing before him, bowing his head in repentance. “Swami”, he said. “Here is your diamond... I don't want it anymore. You gave it to me without a second thought... There must be something far more precious to possess. Please help me find it.”



The monk looked at the man and smiled. His smile was full of loving compassion.

What do you think is the treasure the thief came back for? Here's a hint: it shines like a diamond and is as pure as gold... Try to guess what it is, and where we can find it!