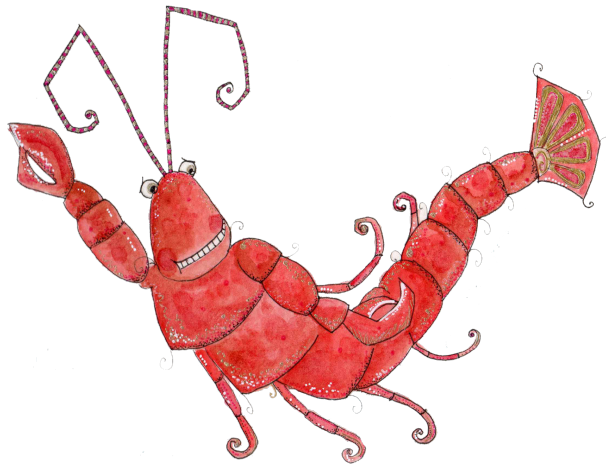




# Lenny The Lobster

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## The Story

### Scene One:

Lewis and Lenny are at home. It's a lovely cosy home and they both feel safe and happy there. Lewis and Lenny are the best of friends. They love to go on mini adventures together, in all kinds of weather.

Lenny likes to dance and practice gymnastics, but sometimes when he tries out some new moves he can get himself into all kinds of scrapes and bumps! He is a confident young bright fellow and is very happy that Lewis rescued him from being cooked by a hungry chef. Lewis is an old wise man who loves to have fun when he can, and make the most of his life with Lenny. Sometimes Lenny has to be patient for Lewis and slow down a bit!!

Today the sun is shining and they get ready for their usual daily walk to see their close friend, Annona who lives by the loch upon the hillside.

Lenny waits outside the cottage and waves to Lewis who is having a nice cup of tea by the door. The birds are singing outside, the clouds softly roll by and the two friends get ready to leave the house.

**Scene Two:**

Lewis likes to ride a blue and white scooter. "Since I got these wheels, I feel free to go wherever I like" smiles Lewis. Lenny and Lewis sometimes ride on the scooter on their way to Annona's house if the mood takes them. "Today seems the right day to have a ride on the scooter Lenny. You can ride on the back and we'll take it as far as the park." Lenny was delighted to hear about this, so he did a little dance and away they went on the scooter, off to the park.

**Scene Three:**

At the park, Lewis and Lenny take off their helmets and climb down off the scooter. Lenny immediately runs to the sea-saw. He loves the up and down movement of the sea-saw and urges Lewis to join him. Lewis sighs but smiles and thinks "Oh no not again, it makes me feel a bit sickly, but I'll do it for you Lenny". Up and down they go. The weather is still sunny but there seems to be dark clouds looming in the distance and...Matilda the spider also likes the sea saw! She sees how much fun Lewis and Lenny are having and wants to join in...

**Scene four:**

(two pictures - one catapulted into the tree and one clawing through the web)  
Matilda the cheeky spider drops down from her thread onto Lewis' lap. Lewis weighs the sea-saw down suddenly and Lenny gets catapulted high into the air and lands in a tree in the woods, right into Matilda's giant web. Oh dear, poor Lenny! The clouds move over and block the sun. It gets dark. Lenny sways there in the web, rocking from side to side, like being in a hammock. Lewis gets off the sea saw quickly and jumps onto his scooter and races off to the woods to try and find Lenny. The woods are very dark and Lenny is sure he can see faces in the trees. He desperately tries to claw himself out of the web. Lewis arrives at the woods, searching for the right tree. Lenny spots Lewis and makes a big enough hole to drop out of the spider's web and straight into Lewis' arms, thump! Hurray!

**Scene Five:**

Lewis and Lenny skip out of the woods into a more friendly open landscape with green trees and flowers at their feet. Shafts of light beam through the trees. They walk up onto the hillside and down to Annona's shop, which overlooks the loch. The loch is called "Sona" (Gaelic for happy).

**Scene six:**

Lewis and Lenny arrive at Annona's shop by loch Sona. They give her a big wave and she waves back smiling. Annona is very happy to see them. Bas the fish pops his head out of the water to see what is going on. Bas is a magic fish, and lives in the loch all by himself. Lewis and Annona sit together for a chat and a cuppa tea, while Lenny plays with the objects from the shop. He especially likes the balloons.

**Scene Seven:**

Lenny runs about on the sandy loch-side playing with the objects and with his favourite yellow and black balloon. He also likes the touch and feel of the sand from a glass jar that he found. Lenny doesn't know that the sand is magic sand, but Bas does know and watches to see what happens. A little gust of wind spreads the sand over the balloon... "What's happening?" Lenny cries, holding the balloon tightly. He starts to get lifted high up into the air. Up and up he goes into the sky. Bas watches him take off.

**Scene Eight:**

Bas knows Lenny is going to need help. He gets ready for a Rocket Bath to come to life from the depths of the loch. Bas climbs in and presses the start button. The rocket bath zooms up out of the water towards Lenny. Bas reaches out to collect Lenny and they take off together into space with a magic air bubble covering them so they can breathe. Bas shouts over the noise of the rocket, "I think we're heading for the moon."

**Scene Nine:**

Lenny and Bas land on the moon. "It's not a very colourful place is it?" squeaks Bas in a teeny tiny voice. "I might not be colourful on the outside," exclaims Pete the moon. "But I'm colourful on the inside and the moon is a very interesting place. You'll see" They get out of the Rocket Bath slowly, looking and watching around them all the time. They are very wobbly! What a ride they have had! "What's that in the distance?" Lenny cries. They see a dark shadow approaching them. It's Martin the Alien Metal Detector coming towards them. "It's the most frightening thing I have ever seen." Howls Lenny.

Martin the Alien Metal Detector moves slowly towards them making clinking metal sounds as he walks.

**Scene Ten:**

Phew! Martin is a harmless quirky metal detector. He has glasses and is quite an earnest person, and seems very helpful. He likes to talk to Lenny and Bas about the Moon's geological history. "I'm sorry to talk so much. I haven't seen anyone on this side of the moon for many years." Lenny explains what happened and Bas tells Martin about the magic sand that blew over Lenny's balloon. Bas says he is a magic fish and whoever finds the sand makes his rocket bath come to life. Lenny looks at Bas in amazement! "But now we are stuck!" cries Lenny. "Yes we are" squeaks Bas. "Because the Rocket Bath only goes one way. Plus it's ran out of petrol."

Martin speaks to them gently and says the only way they can get home is to try and find some magic sand again, which might exist on the dark side of the moon. But they can't go back on the rocket bath. "We will have to wait here for the next bus to take us over to the dark side of the moon," says Martin. It's the number 8 bus. There's only one a day, you're lucky. It's an Octobus. Ally the Octopus drives it. It has eight wheels and also eight steering

wheels.” Bas, Lenny and Martin get on the Octobus. Off they go on the bumpy ride to the dark side of the moon.

“By the way,” says Martin. “I could do with a new bath. If it’s okay with you, I’ll keep the rocket and re cycle it.”

#### **Scene Eleven:**

They all pile out of the bus on the dark side of the moon. And there in front of them sits Emma the mooncat, in all her majestic elegance. “This is Emma” Says Martin. “She might be able to help you.” “Welcome to the dark side of the moon.” Purrs Emma.

#### **Scene Twelve:**

Emma shows Lenny and Bas hundreds of beautiful flowers that grow on the dark side of the moon. Lenny cannot believe his eyes. They are the most glorious flowers he has ever seen. “They must be magic too. To grow like this in the dark.” Emma says everything is

magical here on the dark side of the moon. But he needs to get going and find Fi the flower who will know exactly what to do. She is a tall red flower with a big smile.

#### **Scene Thirteen:**

Lenny finds Fi the Flower. She is beautiful. “Now Lenny you must listen to what you need to do first.” Lenny looks up at Fi and listens carefully.

I will call Doug the Dog for you and he will help you by digging up the magic sand. Martin will be able to show Doug the exact spot where he needs to dig. Then I will tell you what to do next.”

#### **Scene Fourteen:**

Eventually Martin’s metal detector makes a big beeping sound and detects the exact spot where the magic sand lies. **Doug the Dog** digs it up straight away. “Wow, there it is. It’s just like the sand I was playing with at Annona’s shop” says Lenny excitedly. Bas jumps up and down with joy while Doug the dog runs about proud to have helped! “Maybe we might get home after all” says Lenny. “And I miss Lewis”

#### **Scene Fifteen:**

Fi the flower tells Lenny Bas and Martin about how to make a magic flower parachute from all the flowers that are growing on the dark side of the moon. “It’s okay to pick them. They will grow back.” She smiles. She sings them a song about how to weave the flowers together. Everybody helps to make the parachute.

**Scene Sixteen:**

Once the parachute is made they sprinkle the magic sand all over it and it comes to life. It makes some happy noises and immediately starts to swirl and woosh round and takes off before everyone has said goodbye properly. Martin the Metal Detector hardly has time to wave goodbye. "Come back if you can. Goodbye." Doug the dog starts to jump and whine. He wants to come with them. He is lonely on the moon. The parachute soars down low enough and Doug jumps on and they are off homeward bound. "Goodbye Emma, goodbye Fi, goodbye Martin. Thank you so much for all your help." Call Bas, Lenny and Doug.

**Scene Seventeen:**

Lenny, Bas and Doug float down to the Loch where Lewis and Annona are still chatting having their fourth cup of tea. They didn't even notice Lenny had disappeared. The parachute falls away and only tiny flowers are left floating on the loch. Bas gives Lenny a wee wink and drops back into the loch and Doug the dog runs over to Lewis and Annona and gives them a big lick as Lenny hops into Lewis' Lap. "Where did the dog spring from?" asks Lewis. Doug and Lenny smile at each other. "I think it's time we were off home". They wave goodbye to Annona and set off home.

**Scene Eighteen:**

"What have you been up to then Lenny?" Asks Lewis. "You wouldn't believe me if I told you." Said Lenny. "Try me" smiles Lewis. So they walk back home together in the sunshine, collect the scooter and wander back to the cottage while Lenny tells Lewis about his adventure to the moon and back. "And Doug was lonely on the moon" explains Lenny, "So he came back with us." "Can he stay here?" "Of course he can" smiles Lewis. So Lenny and Lewis keep Doug the dog as their new friend. When they reach the cottage they have another nice cup of tea and a giant piece of chocolate cake. Doug eats a big bone before curling up and falling asleep by the fire.