

Tooth Fairy

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American kids believe in Tooth Fairy. Seven years ago, my elder son Jerry lost his tooth. He put the tooth under his pillow when he went to sleep and the next morning, he was happy to find that Tooth Fairy had taken the tooth away and left a quarter under his pillow as rewarding.

The next day, he talked to me: “Mom, I want my tooth back.”

“Why?” I asked him.

“I want to know how long it would take for my tooth to crack without nutrition to nourish the tooth.” He said.

“The Tooth Fairy is busy now collecting other kids’ teeth in China. You need to write her a note and let her know why you want the tooth back, put the note and the quarter under your pillow, tonight, the Tooth Fairy will come again and give the tooth back to you.” I suggested.

Jerry grabbed a pencil and wrote a note to Tooth Fairy. He put the note and the quarter Tooth Fairy gave him the night before under his pillow when he went to bed.

Next morning, the note and the quarter were gone, and Jerry had his tooth back. He kept his tooth as long as the first crack shown up on the tooth.

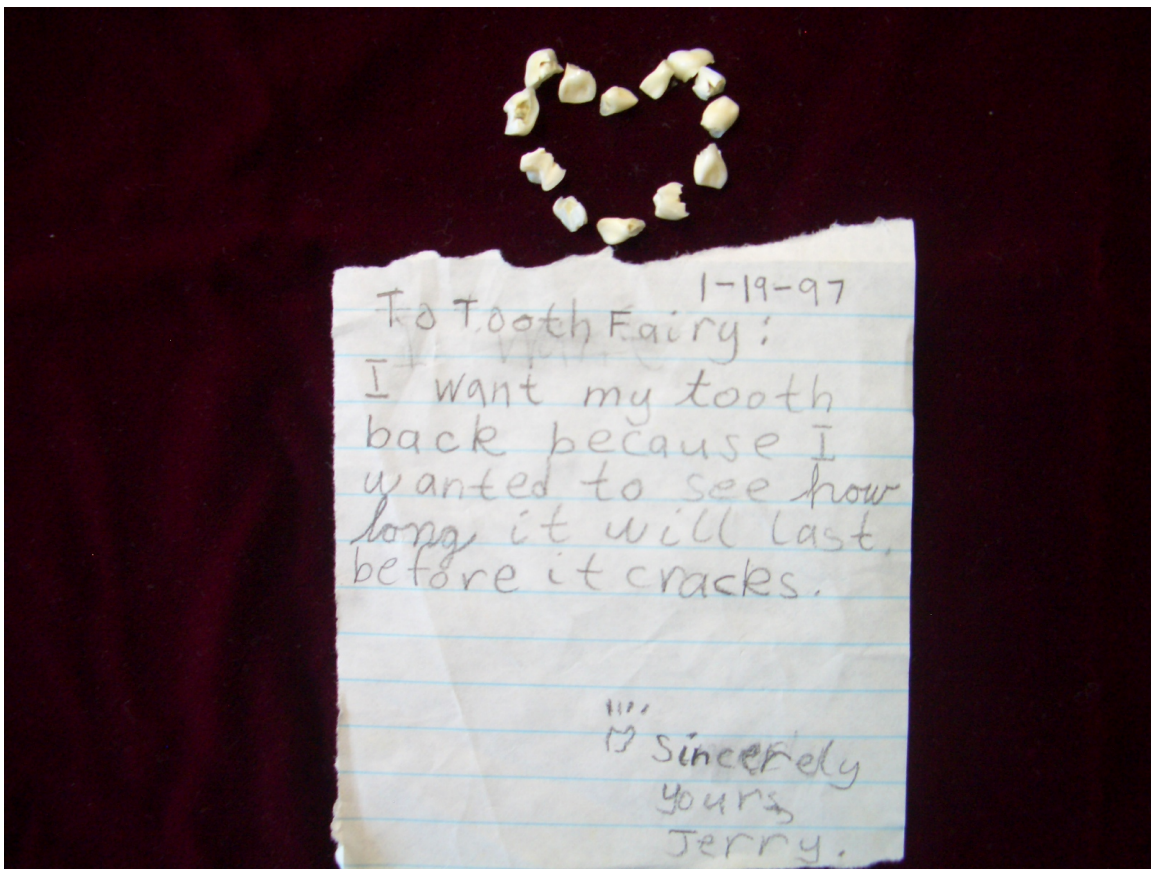
Two days ago, my little one Terry lost his first tooth. Obviously, he knew the story about Tooth Fairy very well. That night, he put his tooth under his pillow before he fell to sleep. He told me that he wanted Tooth Fairy to give him two quarters. The next morning, the tooth were gone, instead, two shining quarters were under his pillow. He woke me up, very excited: “Mom, Tooth Fairy gave me two quarters. I am rich now!” He then went to his dad in the study room and show him the two quarters. Dad told him that he would pull his other tooth out when it was dark, because the other tooth was also shaky.

Terry came back to my bed. I was also very happy and gave him a big hug: “Cool ha, you got two quarters.” I said.

“You need to ask and think. I asked Tooth Fairy that I wanted two quarters.” He told me thoughtfully.

“I will pull another tooth out tonight and the Tooth Fairy will give me another two quarters and I will pull another tooth and another..., and I will have so many quarters. I will become so rich that I could buy something for you.” He used his little finger pointing at his tooth one after another in a cute and sweet baby tone.

Terry is rich. He put his quarters in his spider-man pants’ pocket and counted the quarters many times that day.



Jerry 和 Terry 的乳牙， Jerry 写给 Tooth Fairy 的字条