

The Cobbler's Song The Golden Touch

Theme: Money

Genre: Cobbler:Fable

Golden:Myth

Many people thinks that if they have a lot of money they would be happy. "The Cobbler's Song" is a story about a man who is happy even though he has very little money. This poor cobbler, or shoemaker, is so happy that he always sings. The cobbler's upstairs neighbor has lots of money but is always unhappy.

After watching King Midas perform a good deed, Bacchus, god of the vine, grants Midas a wish. Motivated by greed, King Midas wishes that everything he touches turns into gold. Find out if this is a good or foolish wish.

mended:

repaired; patched or fixed
something old to make it
usable again



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recognizing:
suddenly aware that someone or
something is familiar



cobbler:

a person who repairs shoes and boots



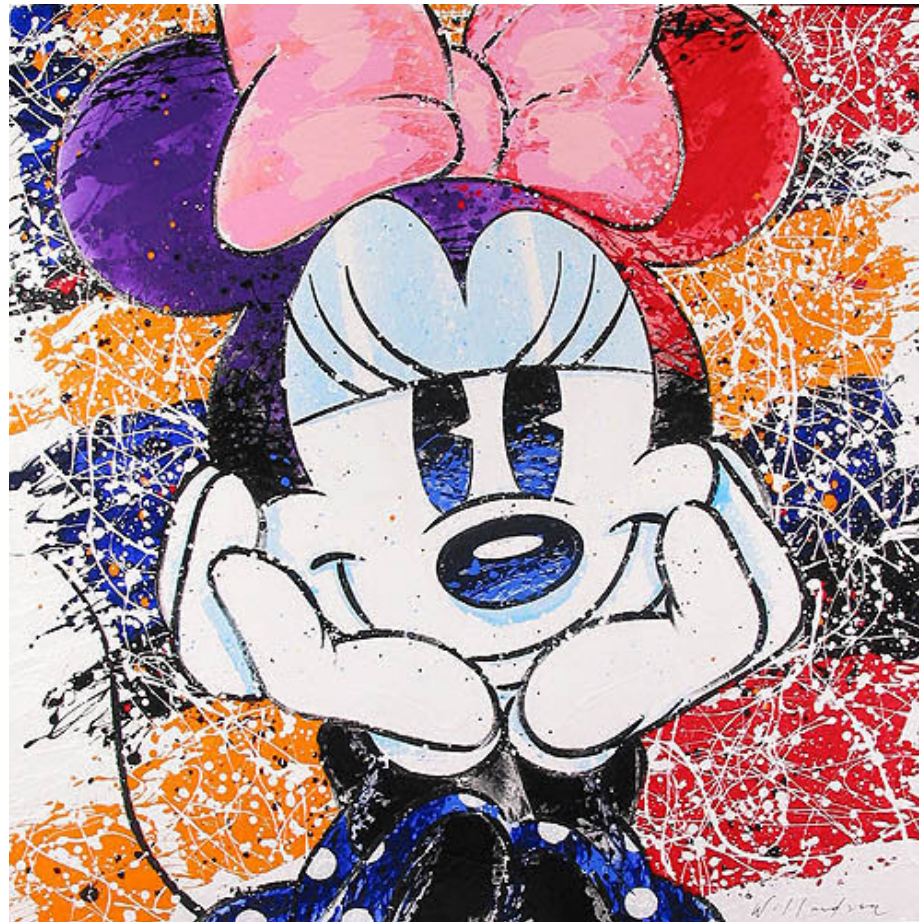
dreadful:
terrible, very bad



safekeeping: the act of protecting something



trance:
a state of not being
fully conscious



merciful:
forgiving, kind



shaft: a ray or beam



quenched:
to end a thirst; to satisfy



drowsily:
sleepily, in a sleepy way

