

EGMONT

We bring stories to life

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EGMONT LUCKY COIN

Our story began over a century ago, when seventeen-year-old Egmont Harald Petersen found a coin in the street.

He was on his way to buy a flyswatter, a small hand-operated printing machine that he then set up in his tiny apartment.

The coin brought him such good luck that today Egmont has offices in over 30 countries around the world. And that lucky coin is still kept at the company's head offices in Denmark.



The Rainbow Orchid: *the story so far…*

Lord Reginald Lawrence has entered into a wager with secretive businessman Urkaz Grope over who can do best in an annual orchid competition. At stake is the Trembling Sword of Tybalt Stone, and with it the Lawrence family's rights to the Stone estate, of which they have been guardians since the fifteenth century.

When *Daily News* reporter William Pickle reveals Grope has a secret weapon, the previously unknown black pearl orchid, Lawrence hires Julius Chancer, protégé of historical researcher Sir Alfred Catesby-Grey, to find a flower equally as fantastic – the legendary rainbow orchid. Uncertain if it exists or is just a myth, Julius, along with Lawrence's film-star daughter Lily and her agent Nathaniel Crumpole, fly to India to begin their search. They are hotly pursued by Grope's 'dark angel', Evelyn Crow, intent on preventing their success at any cost.

In India, Julius meets the impossibly old Father Pinkleton who claims they will find the rainbow orchid if they accompany his retainer, the mysterious Meru, back to his homeland somewhere in the uncharted reaches of the Hindu Kush mountains.

Back in England, William Pickle has been kidnapped by Urkaz Grope and his shadowy Order of the Black Lion. Meanwhile government agency the Empire Survey Branch attempt to persuade Sir Alfred Catesby-Grey to follow Julius and help find the rainbow orchid, though it appears they may have an ulterior motive . . .

Somewhere in the valleys of Chitral, Evelyn Crow and her henchmen catch up with Julius and friends, and in the ensuing fight Nathaniel Crumpole is lost over the edge of a precipitous cliff. Does this mean triumph for Urkaz Grope and the end of the quest for the rainbow orchid?

Ooh, my head...

Hm.

Abuij e Baba! Tay s'is' suais e?

I'm sorry, I don't... Er, where am I?

Tay anora kay shiaw tik. Adhek hasi his e, baba?

Um...do you speak English?

Ajo ticak takla jhonel day! Pari la, c'as'a zhe ja' au oni!

Ug pi aas e?

Isa shilak hawa ajat hiu!

Oh! There's Julius!