

2. The Return of the Iron Man

1. One evening Hogarth discovers the Iron Man and runs to tell his family. The next day the farmers notice that the Giant has destroyed and eaten their machinery. They dig a large hole to trap him, but their plan fails. However, one day Hogarth succeeds in luring the Giant into the trap. The farmers push all the earth around the pit on top of the struggling Iron Man. Everybody is happy but Hogarth: he feels sorry and guilty.
2. Hogarth stops fishing because it is “growing too dark” and the hook keeps getting caught “in weeds and bushes”. (19)
3. Hogarth suddenly sees the Iron Man’s green eyes. (19)
4. His father frowns, his mother grows pale and his sister begins to cry. (20)
5. The giant’s foot is “as big as a single bed”. (21)
6. The giant feeds on tractors, earth-diggers, ploughs, harrows—everything that is made of iron or steel. (23)
7. They dig “a deep, enormous hole” and hide it by covering it with branches and straw. (24)
8. He wants to use the hole in order to trap a fox. (26)
9. He taps the nail and the knife together, so that the Iron Man can hear the sound of metal. (28)
10. They send up “a great cheer” when they learn that the Iron Man is in the trap. (29)
11. He suddenly feels sorry and guilty. (31)