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**The Faraway Tree**  
by Enid Blyton

“So that’s the shoe where those naughty children live?” said Bessie, quite excited. “I never thought it would be quite like that. However did the Old Woman get such a big one?”

“Well, it once belonged to a giant, you know,” said Silky. “The Old Woman did him a good turn, and asked him for an old boot. She had so many children that she couldn’t get an ordinary house. So the giant gave her one of his biggest boots and she got her brother to make it into a house.”

“Look at all those naughty children!” said Moon-Face. “They’re not very well behaved!” About twenty boys and girls were playing round the house. They shouted and screamed, and they fought and punched one another.

“I don’t wonder the Old Woman wouldn’t allow them bread with their soup, and whipped them and sent them to bed,” said Silky. “They deserved it!”

