

THE GOLEM OF GABIROL

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AFTER MY PARENTS DIED
I WAS BROUGHT TO LIVE AT
MY UNCLE IBN ABU'S HOUSE
IN SARAGOSSA

MY COUSIN
NUSRET
HAD BEEN
SHOWING ME
AROUND TOWN

I AM GLAD
THAT YOU LIKE
IT HERE, ZULEICHA

HOPE YOU FIND
A REAL FAMILY
IN OUR HOME





WHAT'S HAPPENED?

SHE MOVED MY COUNTER WITH HER EYES THAT OLD WITCH!

NONSENSE THIS HAS ALWAYS BEEN MY PLACE



TAKE IT AND LEAVE THAT OLD WOMAN ALONE



ARE YOU SAVED ME

GIVE ME A BUNCH
OF PEANUTS, AND
WE ARE EVEN



DO JEWS
EAT PEANUTS?

PEANUTS
WHY
NOT?

PEOPLE
WHO LIVED
BEFORE ADAM,
NOW LIVE
IN PEANUTS



DON'T
BELIEVE ME

LOOK FOR
YOURSELF



BEFORE
THE FIRST
PEOPLE WERE
CREATED,
A RACE OF
WISE KINGS
LIVED HERE
ON EARTH
THEIR WORLD
HOWEVER
WAS NOT
FIRM ENOUGH



IT LACKED
SOME
BALANCE-
SO, GOD
DESTROYED
IT, AND
MADE
ANOTHER
WORLD,
THE ONE
WE LIVE IN



THE OLD KINGS
NEVER VANISHED
BUT HID IN
PEANUTS

SOME SAY
THAT WE
ENTER
THEIR WORLD
WHEN WE
SEE DREAMS

IN THE MORNING,
THE OLD KINGS
SPRINKLE US WITH DREAMS
SO THAT WE WAKE UP
FRESH.