



Luca and the Singing Uvula

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Once upon a time, there was
a boy named Luca. Inside his
mouth lived a little uvula
named Uvulina. Uvulina
loved to swing, and when
she swung...
"AAAAAAAHH!" Luca
would shout without
meaning to!



At school, during art class,
Uvulina started to swing.
"AAAAAAAHH!" yelled
Luca, making a purple
mustache on his beautiful
drawing of the sun. The
teacher put him in time-out.



At home, Luca looked at himself in the mirror. He opened his mouth and said, "Uvulina, stop it! Because of you, I always get into trouble!" But Uvulina just swung, as if to say, "it's not my fault!"



One day, Uvulina fell asleep.
What silence! Luca was so
happy. He went to the park
and played for hours,
whispering with joy. Finally,
some peace and quiet!



But the next morning,
Uvulina woke up full of
energy. She was about to let
out a huge scream, but Luca
was faster and squeezed his
lips together as tight as he
could! "Mmmph!"



"Uvulina," Luca mumbled through clenched teeth, "let's make a deal. If you stay quiet, I promise I'll let you sing in the right places." Uvulina, inside his mouth, gave a little swing to say yes.



At the park, while talking to his friend, Uvulina couldn't resist. It was stronger than her! And a melodious "LALALAAAAA!" came out of Luca's mouth.

Uvulina felt so sorry for
breaking her promise that
she stayed silent for a whole
week. Luca didn't shout
anymore, but... how strange.
He felt a little lonely without
Uvulina's songs.

That evening, in his little room, Luca whispered, "Uvulina, don't be sad. You didn't do it on purpose. You know what? I have a great idea!"



Luca went to his music teacher, who had a special room where you could sing very loudly! Together, they learned to use that powerful voice to create beautiful songs. Luca became a famous singer, and he and Uvulina lived happily and sing-song-ily ever after.