

## Fortune teller

My friend Annie and I were on a stroll through the city, when we came across a gypsy caravan. There was a poster on the door introducing a gypsy fortune teller. Annie, who is fascinated with the occult and other supernatural things, naturally wanted to go in. I was reluctant, because I personally hate <sup>Pl. /</sup> these mysterious shenanigans. But she was relentless, so eventually I conceded. She happily knocked on the door. Right away the door swung open and a <sup>SP / orange /</sup> obscurely dressed <sup>up</sup> lady appeared. She cheerfully greeted us and ushered us inside the eccentric wagon.

When we entered, the <sup>nice!</sup> savor of incense hit me immediately I almost choked and the haze was so thick I could barely see. Annie was jumping for joy. The fortune teller set us down on a old sofa of some sort and herself sat in a huge armchair, taking most of the space. There were shelves filled with trinkets, statues, crystals and other over the top decorations. The gypsy began to explain some of them and Annie was listening zealously. After a few long minutes the woman stretched her arm and took a dubious looking deck of cards from one of the shelves. I glanced at Annie, her eyes were sparkling, she was like little child about to meet Santa. While shuffling the tarot cards, we had to pay, of course. But since she was so excited about this I sighed and grabbed my wallet. After the payment it was time to pick some cards. Annie enthusiastically did so, the gypsy smiled and began to present Annie's supposed fate. Which in reality was just some very general prediction such as "There will soon be a significant choice you will have to make" sprinkled with some fancy words. This pointless lecture took about five minutes, after which she demanded another payment to continue. That's when I couldn't take it anymore and dragged Annie out of there.

A few moments later, when my eyes stopped itching and we could finally breathe fresh air, even Annie admitted that it was a scam. And that's how my ambitious mission to persuade Annie, that there is no such things as magic or the arcane began.

Excellent story!!  
 Excellent, rich vocabulary!  
 Little to add.  
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Excellent.