**From the Desk of E.D. Baker**

**The Salamander Spell – Discussion Questions**

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Why didn’t King Aldrid believe in the curse before it changed his wife?

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After the curse changed Olivene from a good witch to a nasty one, what did she do to her husband and children?

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What do you think happened when Olivene was a chicken that she didn’t want to talk about later?

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What do you think Olivene would have done if she’d found Pippa in Grassina’s bed chamber?

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What was Olivene doing during the thunderstorm?

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Why did Chartreuse say such horrible things to Grassina after their encounter with the ghosts and the shadow beast?

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What do you think would have happened if Grassina hadn’t run away from home?

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Grassina encountered three different kinds of dangerous creatures in the enchanted forest.  Which do you think was the worse?

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Why do you think Olivene threw Aldrid’s possessions down the dungeon stairs?

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If you had small magic like Haywood, what other insects, birds or animals would you have called upon to help Grassina fight the manticore?