

The Mysterious Giant of Barletta

statue – an image, often of a person or an animal, usually made of stone, metal or wood

mysterious – very hard to explain or understand

giant – a strong, huge, imaginary creature resembling a human being

Zia (TSEE – uh) – Italian word for aunt

square – an open area at the intersection of two or more streets, often in the center of town

sisters – female members of a religious group; nuns

hailed – greeted or welcomed by calling out to

Buona notte – (BWOH - nuh_NOH – tay) – Italian for good night

Colosso – (coh-LOH-soh) – Italian word for giant

pedestal – the base on which a statue stands

un miracolo – (OON meer – AH –coh –loh) – Italian for miracle

scurried – moved lightly and quickly

buona fortuna – (BWOH-nuh fawr-TOO-nuh) – Italian for good luck

strode – walked with long steps

minuscolo – (mee-NOO-skoh-loh) – Italian word for tiny

debole – (DAY-boh-lay) – Italian word for weakling

weakling – a person lacking strength or character