N: Long ago, the Monkey King lived in the Cave of the Water Curtain on the Mountain of Flowers and Fruits, Hua Guo Shan. The Monkey King, who was also called Sun Wukong, was very powerful in his skills and magic tricks. He could transform himself into 72 different things, including fish, bug, trees, houses… He could also plug a hair from his head and transform it into a duplicate of himself! This Monkey King was also very fast – he traveled by riding on a cloud and could jump over 180,000 miles in one somersault. With his great skills, he even bullied the Sea Dragon King into giving him the Holy Needle of the Eastern Sea, a golden bar that could be transformed into any shape.

Little Monkeys: Master! Master! Show us your new weapon! I want to see, I want to see!!

Sun: Well, little ones, stand back then! – (Sun took the golden bar from behind his ear and transformed it into a great column that extends all the way to the sky)

Little Monkeys: Wow-wee!! It’s so big! No one can beat us now – we are going to be the most powerful in the world!

Sun: The most powerful in the world, eh? (contemplates for a few seconds and laughs) Of course, lil’ ones, we are the most powerful in the world! I am the king of the world! I’m the Great Sage Equal to the Heaven!

Little Monkey: Wow-wEEEE!! Great Sage Equal to the Heaven!? You’re the Great Sage Equal to the Heaven, master! (chants) Great Sage! Great Sage!...

(Sun laughs complacently while every lil’ ones at the Mountain of Flowers and Fruits chant his new title)

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N: In the meantime, up in the palace of Heaven...

Messenger: News!! Emperor of Jade, the Monkey King from Hua Guo Shan is mocking you! He is calling himself the Great Sage Equal to Heaven!
Emperor of Jade: What is this! Only ME, the Emperor of Jade, can be called the Great Sage. That wild monkey! He is way out of control!

N: The Great White Planet Lord, who was at the palace at the time, came forward.

White Planet Lord: Emperor of Jade, how about we trick that rude monkey into taking a lowly job in the Heaven? Then we can keep an eye on him, and punish him whenever we want.

Emperor of Jade: (still enraged) Fine! Great White Planet Lord, I order you to take care of this monkey then.

White Planet Lord: Yes, sir.

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N: The White Planet Lord flew down to Hua Guo Shan from a cloud and asked to see the Monkey King.

White Planet Lord: Oh, you must be the Monkey King! I’ve come by the order of the Emperor of Jade...

Sun: Pah! That Emperor of Jade again! Does he want to fight me? He is no match for ME!

White Planet Lord: Ah, no, no... He does not want to fight you – he wants to REWARD you! He saw your wonderful skills and wants you to be the Keeper of the Immortal Peach Garden in Heaven! You see, that is the MOST important job in the Heaven!

Sun: Hahaha, so that Emperor of Jade is smart enough to see how awesome I am! Hah! Fine, I’ll try out this keeper thing and see how I like the job. If I like it, then maybe I'll be the Immortal Peach Garden Keeper.

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N: Together, they arrived at the Immortal Peach Garden. The Garden is huge with big, delicious peaches hanging on each tree. Some peaches were even as big as a watermelon!

White Planet Lord: These peaches are for the Peach Banquet for the Empress of the Heaven. Whoever eats them will become immortal and stay young forever!

Sun: This looks delicious! (plucks a peach from a tree and is getting ready to eat it)

White Planet Lord: AHH! (quickly grabs Sun Wukong’s arm) Great Sage! You must not eat them! Only the people who are invited to the Peach Banquet can eat them. That is why the Peach Keeper is so important!

Sun: Hmm! Fine! (put down the peach)

White Planet Lord: Great Sage, please stay here and guard the peaches until the banquet. I must go now. (flies away on his cloud)
Sun: (holds the peach in front of his face) Hah, someone as important as me will be invited to the Peach Banquet anyway. Why don’t I just eat it now? (takes a bite of the peach) Wow, this is good! (takes more and more bite.)

N: Sun Wukong ate more and more peaches until he became sleepy and dozed off. After a while, the Fairy Maidens came to collect the peaches.

Fairy Maiden: (shakes Sun Wukong) Hey! (Sun wakes) Who are you! Did you eat all the peaches?

Sun: Why, I am the Great Sage Equal to the Heaven, and the keeper of the Peach Garden of course!

Fairy Maiden: What? Great Sage Equal to the Heaven? And keeper of the Peach Garden? That is the lowliest person in the palace? (laughs)

Sun: (angry) What? How dare that scrawny White Planet Lord lied to me! Hah, I’ll make them know the consequence of messing with the Great Sage! (calls for his traveling cloud and quickly flies away)

N: Sun Wukong flew to the Dining Palace with all the Peach Banquet food.

Sun: (laughs) I’ll eat all the food and leave nothing for those Heavenly idiots! I am going to laugh at their faces when they realize all the food is gone!

N: Sun Wukong drank all the holy wines and foods that he could see. He even swallowed the Golden Elixir made just for the Emperor.

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N: Not long after Sun Wukong left the palace, the Emperor and Empress of Jade saw that everything at the banquet was gone. Right away, he angrily ordered 100,000 Heavenly Soldiers to capture Sun Wukong. There were also Erlang Shen and Taishang Laojun. The army quickly arrived at Hua Guo Shan.

Erlang Shen: You insolent monkey, you shall receive your well deserved punishment! And you can’t win against my magical third eye!

N: At that, the battle begins. While Sun Wukong was too concentrated fighting Erlang Shen, Taishang Laojun snuck up on him and trapped him with the Diamond Chain.

Taishang Laojun: Insolent monkey, I’ve finally captured you.

Sun: You cheated! You snuck up on me from behind! You’re no hero, you’re just a cheater!

Taishang Laojun: Be quiet, Monkey! You’ve spoken enough already. Servant, carry him to my home. I shall kill him for the sake of the peace of the Heaven.

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N: At Taishang Laojun’s home, he threw Sun Wukong into a big furnace. He put his most powerful fire spell over it. He ordered his servants to continue chanting the spell for 81 days so that the fire will always be blazing hot. On the 82nd day, he stopped the fire.

Taishang Laojun: Hahahah, you ungracious monkey, I’ve finally killed you and restored peace in Heaven! You have certainly made enough of a mess here.

N: Taishang Laojun opened the lid of the furnace and saw two red glowing spheres. Suddenly, those two spheres blinked. Without a warning, a black, monkey shaped object with those two red glowing spheres jumped out of furnace.

Sun: Hah! You thought you killed me but I am the Great Sage Equal to the Heaven! No one can defeat me! (shakes off the soot from his body) You thought I died in there because I wouldn’t answer you. I was only taking a nap, silly! (laughs) Well, I’ve had enough of you and all you Heavenly people! You are all just a bunch of no-good cheaters!

N: Sun Wukong crushed Taishang Laojun’s home with his golden bar, and also beat the entire Heavenly Palace into crumbs. After drinking the holy wine, eating the Immortal Peach and also the Golden Elixir that was meant to be for the Emperor of Jade, he has become immortal and nothing can ever defeat him.

The End.