

Alpha Level 4

# The Real Princess



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## Word Study

**A** Write the word that matches the meaning.

absolute    disgrace    give up    narrator    scene    servant    shelter    soggy

- 1) **scene**    a part of events in a movie, play or book
- 2) **narrator**    a person who tells a story with a voice
- 3) **servant**    a person who works at other people's home
- 4) **give up**    lose hope and stop trying
- 5) **shelter**    stay somewhere away from bad weather or danger
- 6) **soggy**    unpleasantly wet
- 7) **absolute**    real, total, complete
- 8) **disgrace**    something bad or wrong, not proper

**B** Write the correct word to complete the sentence.

knock  
keep  
mattress  
pile  
searching  
sensitive

1. A prince was searching for a real princess to be his wife.
2. A sensitive princess can feel the softest feather.
3. I mustn't give up and keep on looking for a real princess.
4. There was a knock at the door.
5. Let's put lots of mattresses on top of the pea.
6. The King and Queen piled the mattresses high on the bed.

## Word Study

**C** Complete the sentences using words in the box.

Word Box

at for if in out to

- 1) Once upon a time, a prince was **searching** for a real princess.
- 2) "Can I **come** in to shelter from the storm?"
- 3) "You will **have** to stay here tonight. You can't go back to the storm."
- 4) "Let's **find** out if she's a real princess."
- 5) "If she is a real princess, she will smell the pea and feel it."
- 6) "A real princess? At **last**, I have found you."

**D** Complete the box. Then fill in the blanks with the words from the box.

The '**antonym**' of a word means a word which means the 'opposite'.

high - <u>low</u>	near - <u>far</u>	soft - <u>hard</u>
terrible - <u>wonderful</u>	day - <u>night</u>	soggy - <u>dry</u>

dry far hard low night wonderful

- 1) I've searched for a real princess high and low, near and far.
- 2) Your hair is a mess and your clothes are soggy.
- 3) There was something hard in the bed and there was also a terrible smell in the room
- 4) It's wonderful news! It's just what I wanted to hear!

## Comprehension

### A Answer the following questions.

1. What is the story about?
  - a) A stormy night
  - b) A kind, royal family
  - c) A smelly, old pea
  - d) Looking for a real princess
2. How does the princess look at the stormy night? (pp. 6-7)
  - a) She looks messy with soggy clothes.
  - b) She looks beautiful with dirty shoes.
  - c) She looks sensitive.
3. What is 'scene2' about? (pp. 6-10)
  - a) The prince is searching for a real princess and it's very hard.
  - b) The princess turned out to be real.
  - c) The King and Queen put 10 mattresses on top of a pea to test the princess.
4. What does 'I didn't sleep a wink' mean? (pg. 12)
  - a) I couldn't sleep at all.
  - b) I slept with one eye open and the other eye closed.
  - c) I slept for a short time.
5. Was the princess happy to be asked to marry the prince? (pg.16)
  - a) Yes, she was very happy.
  - b) No, she wasn't. She was not sure if the prince was real or not.
  - c) We don't know the answer.

### B Read and mark the right answer and write it in the blank.

6. A prince was searching for a real princess to be his wife.  
wife / friend
7. If she can feel and smell the pea, it means she is sensitive.  
beautiful / sensitive
8. I had a terrible night. I didn't sleep a wink.  
terrible / wonderful
9. There was something hard in the bed. It kept me awake all night.  
hard / soft
10. The princess was very tired, and black and blue all over.  
black and white / black and blue

# Comprehension

## C Making a Story Map

Fill the story map by writing key words and phrase.

<b>Characters</b>	Narrator Prince, <u>princess</u> , King, Queen, <u>servant</u>
<b>Scene 1</b> Once upon a time	Prince is looking for a <u>real</u> princess. A real princess is very beautiful and very <u>sensitive</u> . It's so <u>hard</u> to find a real princess.
<b>Scene 2</b> One stormy night	Princess visits on a day of <u>terrible</u> storm. She is <u>messy</u> and <u>soggy</u> . Her shoes are a disgrace. Queen puts a <u>smelly</u> old pea under the mattress and piles the mattresses <u>high</u> on the bed.
<b>Scene 3</b> The next morning	Princess can't sleep because of the <u>pea</u> . Prince is <u>happy</u> to find a real princess and propose. Princess is not sure if Prince is a real one or not!

### Expressions

happy hard high pea princess messy  
real sensitive servant smelly soggy terrible

## D Write and Speak. Use the expressions above in 'Activity C'.

What would the characters say in each scene?



Servant: What is a real princess? How can I tell?

Prince: A real princess is very beautiful and sensitive.



Queen: Let's find out if she is a real princess.

King: Let's put a smelly pea under the mattresses.

If she is real she will smell and feel it.



Prince: You are a real princess. Please marry me!

Princess: I'm sorry but I can't.

How do I know that you are a real prince?