

The Princess and the Pea

There was once a prince, and he wanted a princess, but then she must be a real Princess. He travelled around the world to find one. There were a lot of princesses, but there was always something which was not quite right about them. So at last he came home again and he was very sad.

One evening there was a terrible storm and it was raining heavily.

In the middle of the storm somebody knocked at the door.

It was a princess who stood outside, but she was wet from the rain.

‘Well, we shall soon see if that is true,’ thought the old Queen, but she said nothing. She went into the bedroom, took all the bed clothes off and laid a pea on the bed: then she took twenty mattresses and put them on top of the pea. This was where the princess was to sleep that night. In the morning they asked her how she slept.

‘Oh, terribly bad!’ said the princess. ‘I have hardly closed my eyes the whole night! I don’t know what was in the bed but it was terrible!’

They saw at once that she must be a real princess because nobody but a real princess could have such a delicate skin.

So the prince took her to be his wife, for now he was sure that he had found a real princess, and the pea was put into the Museum, where it may still be seen if no one has stolen it.

Vocabulary:

terrible – жахливий

to knock – стукати в
двері

delicate – ніжний

Task 1. Complete the sentences:

1. Once upon a time there lived

- a) a princess
- b) a prince
- c) a little girl

2. A prince came home and he was

- a) happy
- b) sad
- c) shocked

3. One evening the weather was

- a) great
- b) terrible
- c) wonderful

4. The old Queen put a pea

- a) under the bed
- b) under twenty mattresses
- c) on twenty mattresses

5. The girl was a real princess because

- a) she slept very well all night
- b) she couldn’t sleep at all
- c) she was very beautiful

Task 2. Put the sentences in the correct order

1. That evening the weather was terrible.
2. So they became a husband and a wife.
3. There lived a prince who wanted a real princess.
4. The girl slept terribly bad
5. The Queen went to the bedroom and put a pea on the bed.

The Use of English

TASK 1. Add one more word which goes with:

1. Train station, bus station, taxi station, sea port.
2. Trainers, shoes, slippers, boots.
3. Dress, skirt, blouse, pants.
4. To arrive, to leave, to start, to finish.
5. Bank, post office, hospital, café.
6. Morning, midday, afternoon, evening.

TASK 2. Choose the correct word

1. We ... a picnic now.
a) has; b) have; c) are having.
2. Steve and John ... never late for school.
a) are; b) is; c) was.
3. There are ... mushrooms in the basket.
a) some; b) any; c) much.
4. The copy-book is ... than the book.
a) thin; b) the thinnest; c) thinner.
5. ... you go to the park yesterday?
a) do; b) did; c) does.
6. We count and do sums at ...
a) English; b) Art; c) Math.

TASK 3. Put the words in the correct order

1. upon, once, there, prince, was, time, a, a
2. to, marry, he, wanted, princess, a
3. travelled, prince, the, the world, around
4. met, beautiful, girls, he, a lot of
5. the, prince, finally, back, went, home.
6. was, the, rich, prince, handsome, and.

Write 8 sentences about shopping.

- Do you like it or not?
- What do you usually buy?
- How often do you go shopping?