

The Princess and the Pea

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A long time ago, there was a prince who wanted a stunning princess to marry. Though he traveled far and wide, he just couldn't find a real princess. The problem was that it was hard to find a princess, and there was almost always something about her that differed from a real princess. So one night, the tired prince doubtfully arrived home felling tired of searching for a real princess.

One night there was a downpour, and suddenly the royal family heard a knock coming from the front gate. So the king answered the door. When the king opened it, he saw a filthy, wet girl. The girl mentioned how she heard the prince was looking for a princess, and she said that SHE was a princess, the prince, however, did not think she looked anything LIKE one. Rain was dripping from her head down to her toes.

"We'll soon find out," said the Queen, so she took everything off the guest bed and set a pea on it. Then she set a stack of cushiony mattresses, sheets, blankets, and pillows on the bed and asked the Princess to sleep on the bed. The next morning, the Queen asked the girl how she slept. She replied "Oh TERRIBLE! I couldn't sleep a WINK! I couldn't imagine what was under all those pillows, blankets, sheets, and mattresses." Now the queen, who was surprised how the girl slept, knew that the girl was a REAL princess because she felt that tiny pea through all those blankets, mattresses, pillows, and sheets. In the end, the prince took the princess for his wife because he knew she was a real princess, for she was sensitive enough to feel the pea.