

# Example Text: Traditional fairytales

## The Toad Prince

A long time ago, there was a tiny kingdom known as Lillipuddle. The kingdom was ruled happily by King Harold and his son, Prince Robert. That was until one fateful evening.

King Harold had decided to hold a 21st birthday party for his son. Everyone who lived in the kingdom had been invited to join the celebrations – except one.

In all the hustle and bustle of the preparations, King Harold had forgotten to invite his old Aunt Muriel. And she was not pleased.

Just as Prince Robert was about to cut his birthday cake, Aunt Muriel burst in through the palace doors.

“Skin of slime and bumpy road, I turn your prince into a toad!” she shouted loudly.

Then she turned and left as abruptly as she had come. All the guests were stunned, and quickly left, uncertain of what would become of Aunt Muriel’s curse.

The following morning revealed all...

As the sun rose above the horizon, the King entered the Prince’s chamber to be greeted by a fat, warty toad sitting on the bed! The King rushed to get help.

“There is only one way to reverse the spell, sire,” said the King’s oldest advisor. “You must find a young maiden to kiss the Prince and break the curse.”

So an urgent message to find such a maiden was sent throughout the kingdom.

Weeks went by and finally someone was found. Her name was Agatha and she was brought before the King.

“Do you agree to kiss Prince Robert and break the curse?” he demanded.

“I do, sire, gladly,” Agatha replied.

So she puckered her lips and kissed Prince Robert ‘smack’ on his warty nose. Everyone gasped loudly as before their eyes, Agatha was transformed into a green, warty toad!

King Harold was not impressed, but Robert and Agatha didn’t seem to mind. They lived a very happy life together catching flies in the palace pond.