

# CINDERELLA

Once upon a time there was a kind and beautiful girl, whose name was Cinderella. She lived with her cruel stepmother and stepsisters where she was treated as a servant and spent her days cleaning, tidying and waiting on them hand and foot. Despite their cruelty, Cinderella would always remember her mother's words: "Have courage and be kind."

One day an invitation to a royal ball arrived. The prince was looking for a bride and everyone in the kingdom was invited. Her stepmother immediately ordered new gowns to be made for herself and her daughters. Cinderella worked day and night to prepare the new dresses in time.

On the day of the ball, as they were preparing to leave, Cinderella came down the stairs in a dress she had made for herself. Her stepmother and stepsisters were so angry to see her so beautiful they tore up the dress and left without her.

Left alone, Cinderella began to cry when all of a sudden her fairy Godmother appeared.

"Do not cry my child, you shall go to the ball!" she said.

"But I do not have a dress to wear." cried Cinderella.

Her fairy Godmother waved her magic wand and at once Cinderella's rags turned into a beautiful new ball gown. Then her Fairy Godmother found six mice playing in the pumpkin patch. She touched them with her magic wand and the pumpkin turned into a beautiful coach and the mice into four white horses and two coachmen. When everything was ready, Cinderella waved goodbye to her fairy godmother who said, "The magic will only last until midnight. You must reach home by then."

When she entered the ballroom, the guests were struck by her beauty and her stepmother and stepsisters did not know who she was. The prince asked Cinderella to dance and she was overjoyed.

The prince and Cinderella danced all evening until Cinderella noticed the clock approaching midnight and she remembered her godmother's words. "I must go" she told the prince as she fled from the ballroom. As she ran down the steps of the palace, one of her glass slippers fell off, but Cinderella did not stop to pick it up. She returned home just as the clock struck twelve. Her coach turned into a pumpkin, her horses became mice and she was wearing rags once more. Her stepmother and stepsisters arrived home shortly afterwards and were full of talk of the beautiful girl who had danced all night with the prince.

The prince had fallen in love with Cinderella the moment he saw her, but he did not even know her name. He picked up her glass slipper from the steps and declared "I will marry the girl whose foot fits this slipper."

The prince and his servants took the glass slipper to every house in the Kingdom, but it did not fit any women who tried it on. Cinderella's stepsisters tried to squeeze their large feet into the dainty shoe, but the servant was afraid it might break.

Cinderella's stepmother would not let her try on the slipper, but the prince said: "Wait! Let her try it!"

The slipper fit Cinderella's foot perfectly and the prince realised this was the beautiful girl he had danced with at the ball.

The Prince had found the girl he was looking for. They were married and both lived happily ever after.



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## COMPREHENSION QUESTIONS

1. Who did Cinderella live with? .....
2. Why did the prince organize a ball and invite everyone in the kingdom? .....
3. Why couldn't Cinderella go to the ball? .....
4. Who came while she was crying alone? .....
5. What did Cinderella's Fairy Godmother say before she left for the ball? .....
6. What did the prince and Cinderella do all evening? .....
7. What did Cinderella do when she saw that the clock was approaching midnight? .....
8. Could the prince finally find Cinderella? .....

## WRITE TRUE OR FALSE

1. \_\_\_\_\_ Cinderella's stepmother was not a good woman, but her sisters were.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ The stepmother and stepsisters did not do any housework at all.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ Cinderella didn't want to go to the ball anyway.
4. \_\_\_\_\_ The princess fell in love with Cinderella because she was pretty.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ Cinderella left the ball in a hurry because she needed some sleep.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ The stepmother did not want to let Cinderella try the slipper on.



## CIRCLE THE CORRECT CHOICE

1. The fairy Godmother had a magic .....  
wand / dress / horse
2. Cinderella could go to the ball with the help of her .....  
stepmother / stepsisters / Fairy Godmother
3. The fairy Godmother turned the mice into four horses and two .....  
coachmen / guards / friends
4. Cinderella's fairy Godmother turned the ..... into a beautiful coach.  
cabbage / pumpkin / cucumber
5. Cinderella dropped her one of her .....  
slippers while she was rushing home.  
plastic / glass / leather
6. The prince wanted to marry .....  
because he fell in love with her.  
the stepmother / the fairy / Cinderella

# ANSWER KEY

## Comprehension Questions

1. She lived with her stepmother and stepsisters.
2. Because he was looking for a bride.
3. Because her stepmother and stepsister tore up her dress.
4. Her Fairy Godmother came while she was crying alone.
5. She said that the magic would only last until midnight.
6. They danced all evening.
7. She said she had to go and fled from the ballroom.
8. Yes, he could.

## Write True or False

1. False
2. True
3. False
4. True
5. False
6. True

## Circle the Correct Choice

1. wand
2. Fairy Godmother
3. coachmen
4. pumpkin
5. glass
6. Cinderella

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Read the texts in the boxes and number them from 1 to 8 to sequence the fairy tale

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