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A Royal Problem



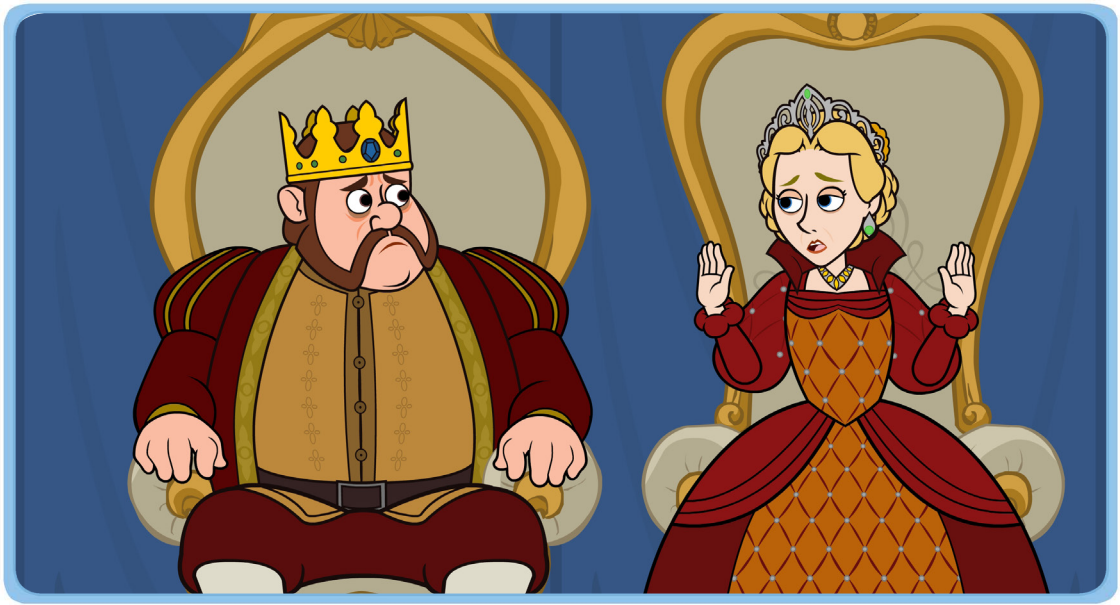
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It was a gloomy day at the palace.
The king yawned and rubbed his eyes.
“I didn’t sleep at all last night,” he moaned.



The king put his head in his hands.
“I don’t know what to do.”



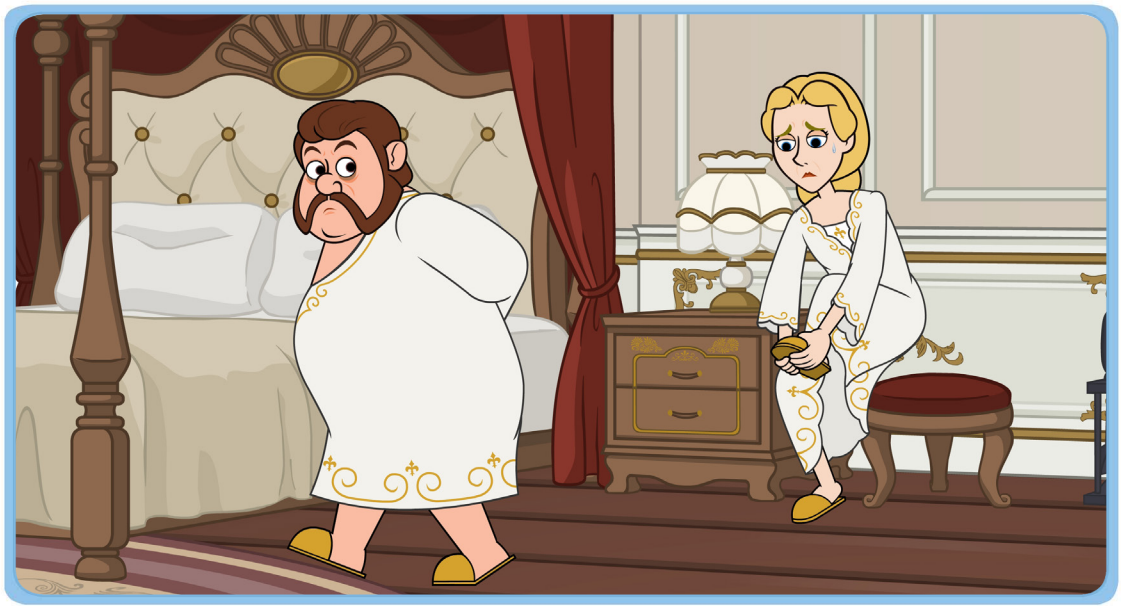
The queen shook her head.
“This must stop,” she said.
“I need my beauty sleep!”



That night the king went to bed.
A servant brought him a soft pillow.
Cook brought him some warm milk.
But the king tossed and turned again.



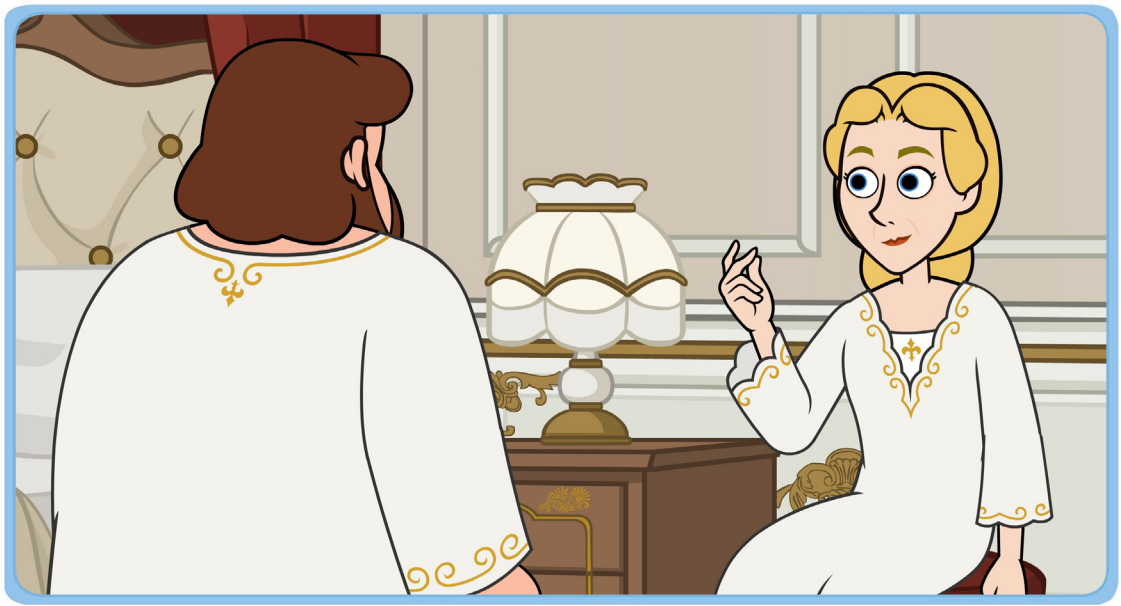
The queen tried singing.
“Go to sleep, my king!” she shrieked.
He covered his ears with the soft pillow.
Now he had a royal headache!



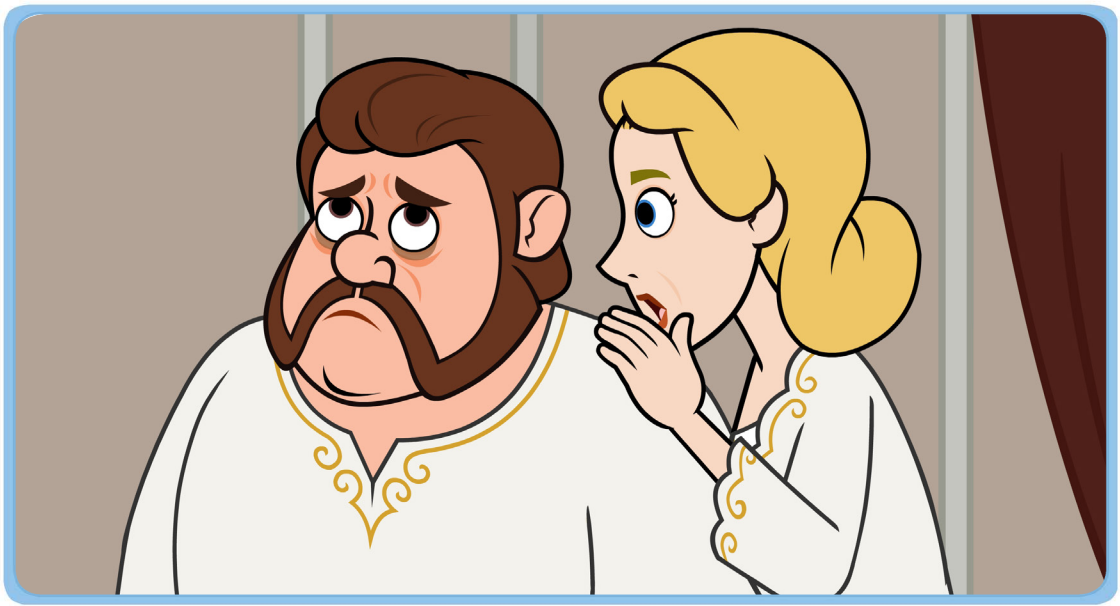
The next morning the king stomped his foot.
“Ouch!” cried the queen.
“You stomped on my toes!”



“Sorry,” said the king.
He rubbed his eyes.
“I’m not getting any sleep!” he moaned.



The queen rubbed her sore toes.
“This must stop,” she said.
Then the queen snapped her fingers.
“I know what to do!”



“Please! Don’t sing again!” the king begged.
The queen glared at him.
“Here’s what we’ll do,” she said.
She whispered in his ear.

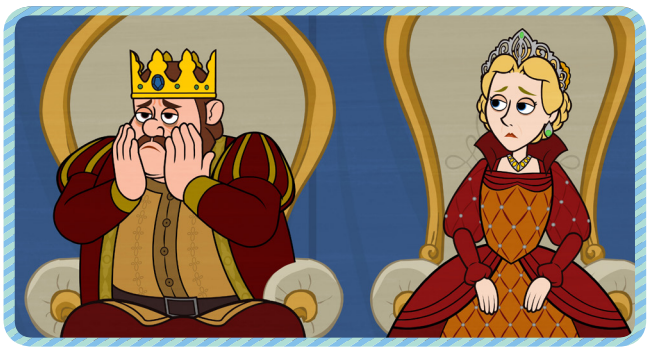


The king nodded.
“All will be well now!” the queen said.
But all was not well.
Someone was listening.

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