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RAPUNZEL



COMING NEXT MONTH



THE twelve pretty princesses danced all night, while their anxious father wondered where they were.

Then the handsome soldier, in a magic cloak, followed them and found them.

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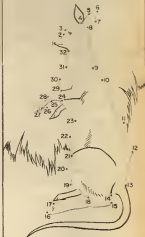
THE DANCING PRINCESSES

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WHAT IS THIS?

Solve this puzzle by placing the point of your pencil or crayon on dot number 1 and drawing a line to dot number 2. Then you draw another line to dot number 3 and so on, until you have connected all the dots. After you have done this, you may use your crayons to color this surprise picture.



RAPUNZEL



ONCE UPON A TIME, THERE LIVED A MAN AND HIS WIFE, WHOSE FONDDEST WISH WAS TO HAVE A CHILD.



ONE DAY

DEAR HUSBAND, I THINK THAT HEAVEN IS GOING TO GRANT OUR WISH

I AM OVERJOYED, FROM NOW ON ANYTHING YOU DESIRE IS YOURS.



LATER THAT DAY

JUST LOOK AT ALL THAT NICE RAMPION WHICH GROWS IN OUR NEIGHBOR'S GARDEN.

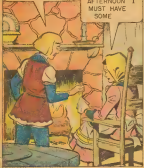
I HAVE HEARD THAT RAMPION MAKES A DELICIOUS SALAD



THAT NIGHT

YOU DO NOT LOOK HAPPY, DEAR WHAT IS THE MATTER?

I HAVE BEEN THINKING OF RAMPION ALL AFTERNOON I MUST HAVE SOME



I WILL GLADLY GET YOU SOME IS THERE ANY AT THE STORE?

NO, BUT OUR NEIGHBOR HAS A FINE PATCH OF IT IN HER GARDEN REMEMBER, WE SAW IT THIS AFTERNOON.



BUT OUR NEIGHBOR IS A WICKED WITCH I DO NOT DARE GO INTO HER GARDEN



YOU PROMISED ME ANYTHING I DESIRED!

ALL RIGHT, I WILL BRING SOME RAMPION FOR YOU FROM THE WITCH'S GARDEN



THE HUSBAND LEAPED OVER
THE GARDEN WALL.



HE GATHERED SOME RAMPION

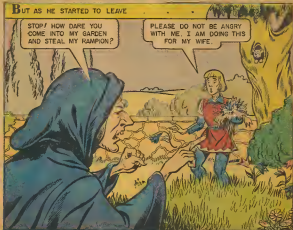
I WILL TAKE THIS
RAMPION AND LEAVE
BEFORE THE WITCH
SEES ME.



BUT AS HE STARTED TO LEAVE

STOP! HOW DARE YOU
COME INTO MY GARDEN
AND STEAL MY RAMPION?

PLEASE DO NOT BE ANGRY
WITH ME, I AM DOING THIS
FOR MY WIFE.



WELL, SINCE IT IS FOR YOUR WIFE YOU MAY TAKE THE RANPION, BUT THERE IS ONE CONDITION.



WHAT IS THE CONDITION?

WHEN YOUR CHILD IS BORN YOU MUST GIVE IT TO ME.



THE HUSBAND WAS SO FRIGHTENED THAT . . .

YES, YES, ANYTHING YOU WISH.



BUT THE HUSBAND FORGOT HIS PROMISE TO THE WITCH. WHEN THE BABY WAS BORN

WHAT LOVELY BLOND HAIR SHE HAS! SHE IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL BABY IN THE WORLD!

NO HARM SHALL EVER COME TO HER



SUDDENLY THE WITCH APPEARED.

I HAVE COME FOR THE CHILD. GIVE HER TO ME!



I BEG OF YOU, DO NOT TAKE MY BABY

IT IS MINE! YOUR HUSBAND PROMISED IT TO ME MANY MONTHS AGO



IT IS TRUE I PROMISED HER OUR CHILD IN ORDER TO GET THE RANSOM FOR YOU OH, HOW COULD I HAVE DONE SUCH A THING!



SEE, YOUR HUSBAND CONFESSES HIS PROMISE. YOU MUST GIVE ME THE CHILD.



I WILL BRING HER UP AS MY OWN DAUGHTER, AND CALL HER RAPUNZEL, WHICH IS ANOTHER NAME FOR RAMPION.



WHEN THE WITCH LEFT

OH, OUR POOR CHILD

I FEAR WE WILL NEVER SEE OUR DAUGHTER AGAIN!



THE WITCH TOOK RAPUNZEL TO LIVE WITH HER. AS RAPUNZEL GREW, HER BEAUTIFUL BLOND HAIR GREW ALSO.



IT GREW . . .

. . . AND IT GREW . . .



. . . AND IT GREW.



ONE DAY

TODAY IS YOUR TWELFTH BIRTHDAY. IT IS TIME FOR ME TO SHUT YOU IN A TOWER AWAY FROM THE WORLD.



THAT AFTERNOON, THE WITCH TOOK RAPUNZEL TO A TOWER IN THE WOODS.

CLIMB UP THE LADDER TO YOUR NEW HOME.



THEN

I WILL VISIT YOU EVERY MORNING. REMEMBER, THERE ARE NO STAIRCASES OR DOORS, SO YOU CAN NEVER LEAVE WHEN I COME TO SEE YOU. LET DOWN YOUR LONG HAIR AND I WILL CLIMB UP.

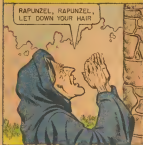


THEN THE WITCH CLIMBED DOWN AND DESTROYED THE LADDER.



THE NEXT MORNING THE WITCH CAME TO THE TOWER

RAPUNZEL, RAPUNZEL,
LET DOWN YOUR HAIR



IT IS THE WITCH I HAD
BETTER DO AS SHE SAYS.



RAPUNZEL LET DOWN HER HAIR



WHEN IT REACHED THE GROUND THE WITCH BEGAN TO CLIMB SHE CLIMBED



AND SHE CLIMBED



AND SHE CLIMBED



UNTIL SHE FINALLY REACHED THE WINDOW



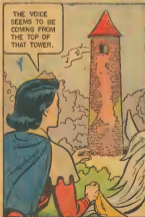
THE WITCH WAS THE ONLY VISITOR RAPUNZEL EVER HAD. AS TIME PASSED, RAPUNZEL GREW SO LONELY THAT SHE TRIED TO COMFORT HERSELF BY SINGING.



ONE DAY, A HANDSOME PRINCE CAME RIDING THROUGH THE WOODS.



THE VOICE SEEMS TO BE COMING FROM THE TOP OF THAT TOWER.

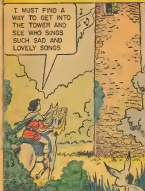


BUT HOW DID THE SINGER GET UP THERE? THE TOWER HAS NO DOOR OR LADDER ANYWHERE.



DAY AFTER DAY THE PRINCE RETURNED
TO HEAR THE BEAUTIFUL VOICE.

I MUST FIND A
WAY TO GET INTO
THE TOWER AND
SEE WHO SINGS
SUCH SAD AND
LOVELY SONGS.



THEN ONE DAY

SOMEONE IS COMING
I WILL HIDE AND
SEE WHO IT IS.



AS THE PRINCE WATCHED

RAPUNZEL,
RAPUNZEL,
LET DOWN
YOUR HAIR.



A LADDER OF
GOLDEN HAIR
LEADS TO THE
TOP OF THE
TOWER! I WILL
REMAIN HIDDEN
UNTIL THE OLD
WOMAN LEAVES.
THEN I, TOO,
WILL CLIMB UP.



AND WHEN THE WITCH LEFT

RAPUNZEL,
RAPUNZEL, LET
DOWN YOUR HAIR



AT LAST I SHALL
SEE THE OWNER
OF THE
LOVELY VOICE



HE CLIMBED UP THE LADDER OF
LONG GOLDEN HAIR



RAPUNZEL WAS FRIGHTENED WHEN SHE SAW HIM



DO NOT BE AFRAID, LOVELY RAPUNZEL I HAVE LONGED TO SEE YOU SINCE I FIRST HEARD YOUR SWEET SONG



WHY ARE YOU IN THIS TOWER? YOU MUST BE VERY LONELY HERE

A CRUEL WITCH KEEPS ME HERE, HIDDEN FROM THE WORLD SHE IS THE ONLY PERSON I EVER SEE

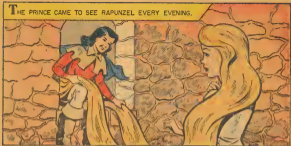


I WOULD LIKE TO COME TO VISIT YOU EVERY DAY MAY I, RAPUNZEL?

YES



THE PRINCE CAME TO SEE RAPUNZEL EVERY EVENING.



AND ONE DAY . . .

DEAR RAPUNZEL, YOU ARE SO KIND AND BEAUTIFUL, WILL YOU BE MY WIFE?

OH, YES I WILL GLADLY MARRY YOU BUT FIRST WE MUST FIND A WAY TO GET OUT OF THIS TOWER.



EVERY EVENING I WILL BRING A SILKEN ROPE. WE CAN MAKE A LADDER AND ESCAPE TOGETHER TO MY KINGDOM.



THE NEXT EVENING . . .

HERE IS THE FIRST
PIECE OF SILK FOR
OUR LADDER.

GOOD I WILL
WORK ON IT
EVERY MOMENT
I HAVE.



THE PRINCE BROUGHT A PIECE OF SILK EVERY EVENING.

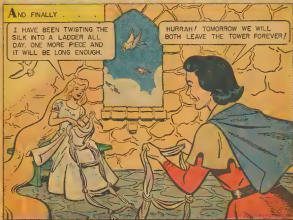
THE LADDER WILL SOON
BE LONG ENOUGH



AND FINALLY . . .

I HAVE BEEN TWISTING THE
SILK INTO A LADDER ALL
DAY, ONE MORE PIECE AND
IT WILL BE LONG ENOUGH.

HURRAH! TOMORROW WE WILL
BOTH LEAVE THE TOWER FOREVER!



THE NEXT MORNING THE WITCH AGAIN
CLIMBED UP TO THE TOWER.



THEN

WHY ARE YOU SO MUCH HEAVIER
TO DRAW UP THAN THE PRINCE
WHO COMES TO VISIT ME?



WHAT
PRINCE?



A PRINCE COMES TO SEE ME EVERY EVENING. HE WANTS TO MARRY ME AND TAKE ME TO LIVE IN HIS PALACE.



WICKED GIRL! YOUR PRINCE WILL NEVER SEE YOU AGAIN.



I WILL CUT OFF YOUR HAIR AND TAKE YOU FAR AWAY.



AND IN A MOMENT



THE WITCH FASTENED THE STRANDS
OF HAIR TO THE WINDOW LEDGE AND...



SHE TOOK RAPUNZEL TO A DESERT.

YOU WILL HAVE TO LIVE
HERE FOR THE REST OF
YOUR LIFE.



DO NOT LEAVE ME
HERE BY MYSELF.



THE CACTUS WILL BE YOUR
COMPANION FROM NOW ON.



THE WITCH RETURNED TO THE TOWER AND PULLED IN THE HAIR

NOW I WILL WAIT FOR THE PRINCE TO COME. HE WILL BE SURPRISED TO SEE ME HERE INSTEAD OF RAPUNZEL.



THEN

RAPUNZEL, RAPUNZEL, LET DOWN YOUR HAIR.



HERE HE IS NOW I WILL LET DOWN THE HAIR FOR HIM.



WHEN THE PRINCE REACHED THE TOP OF THE TOWER

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE? WHERE IS RAPUNZEL?



YOU FOOLISH PRINCE! YOU WILL NEVER SEE RAPUNZEL AGAIN



I WILL SEARCH THE WORLD UNTIL I FIND HER AND MAKE HER MY BRIDE



AS THE PRINCE STARTED TO CLIMB DOWN...

I MUST STOP HIM!



THE PRINCE FELL, BUT HE LANDED ON SOFT GROUND



THEN

OH, DEAR. WHY DID I CUT OFF THE HAIR? NOW I CAN NEVER LEAVE THE TOWER.



AND THE WITCH HAD TO STAY IN THE TOWER FOR THE REST OF HER LIFE.



MEANWHILE THE PRINCE RODE FOR MANY DAYS AND NIGHTS SEEKING RAPUNZEL.



ONE EVENING, THE PRINCE CAME TO THE DESERT. THERE HE HEARD A BEAUTIFUL SONG.

THAT SOUNDS LIKE RAPUNZEL'S VOICE!



HE RODE WILDLY ACROSS THE SAND.

RAPUNZEL!
IS IT YOU?



MY
PRINCE!



I HAVE SEARCHED
THE WHOLE WIDE
WORLD FOR YOU.

I KNEW
YOU WOULD
FIND ME!



TOGETHER THEY RODE TO THE PRINCE'S KINGDOM

HURRAH! THE PRINCE HAS RETURNED

LOOK AT THE BEAUTIFUL GIRL WITH HIM.



AT THE PALACE

COME, RAPUNZEL! MY PARENTS, THE KING AND QUEEN, ARE WAITING TO MEET YOU



THEN

THE WEDDINGS WILL TAKE PLACE TOMORROW IS THAT TOO SOON?

NO, MOTHER! I WISH IT WERE TODAY



AND SO THE WEDDING
WAS HELD THE VERY SAME
DAY AND RAPUNZEL AND
THE PRINCE LIVED
HAPPILY EVER AFTER.

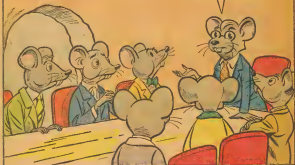


AESOP'S FABLES

THE MICE IN COUNCIL

ONE DAY, A GROUP OF MICE HELD A MEETING.

AS YOU KNOW, WE ARE
HERE TO DISCUSS OUR
ENEMY, THE CAT.



WE CANNOT LIVE
IN PEACE BECAUSE
OF HER.

EVERY TIME WE
TRY TO GO INTO
THE HOUSE SHE
CHASES US

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE
FOR US TO GET
FOOD.

AND WE ARE
ALWAYS IN
DANGER BECAUSE
WE NEVER HEAR
HER COMING SHE
ALWAYS SNEAKS
UP BEHIND US.



WHAT CAN
WE DO ABOUT
THIS?

I HAVE AN IDEA!
WE CAN HANG A
BELL AROUND THE
CAT'S NECK SO AT
LEAST WE CAN
HEAR WHEN SHE
IS COMING.



YES! THAT IS
A GOOD IDEA!



VERY CLEVER, LITTLE
MOUSE BUT TELL ME,
WHO WILL HANG THE
BELL AROUND THE
CAT'S NECK?

YOU ARE BIG
AND STRONG.
WILL YOU
DO IT?

NO,
NOT
I.

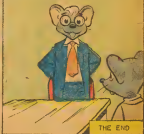




NO ONE VOLUNTEERED TO PUT THE BELL AROUND THE CAT'S NECK



WELL, LITTLE MOUSE, SEE WHAT HAS HAPPENED? BEFORE YOU SUGGEST A PLAN, NEXT TIME, MAKE SURE YOU KNOW HOW TO CARRY IT OUT



LITTLE MISS MUFFET

LITTLE MISS MUFFET
 SHE SAT ON A TUFFET,
 EATING OF CURDS AND WHEY;
 THERE CAME A GREAT SPIDER,
 WHO SAT DOWN BESIDE HER,
 AND FRIGHTERED MISS MUFFET AWAY.



THE ANIMAL WORLD

THE REINDEER

IN SOME NORTHERN COUNTRIES, PEOPLE RAISE REINDEER HERDS FOR FOOD AND CLOTHING—JUST AS WE RAISE CATTLE.



REINDEER CAN BE TRAINED TO WORK IN HARNESS.



WHEN REINDEER ARE THREATENED BY WOLVES, THEY PRESS CLOSE TOGETHER AND START MOVING IN A CIRCLE THEY WHIRL SO FAST THAT THE WOLVES DO NOT DARE COME NEAR THEM.



REINDEER HAVE SHARP-EDGED HOOFS WHICH SPREAD OUT LIKE SNOWSHOES WHEN THEY RUN. THIS MAKES IT EASY FOR THEM TO TRAVEL ON SNOW AND ICE.



A REINDEER CAN TROT FASTER THAN A HORSE.



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