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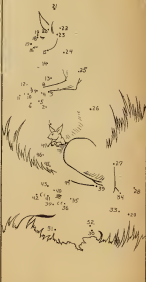
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Solve this puzzle by placing the point of your pencil or crayon on dot number 1 and drawing a line to dot number 2. Then you draw another line to dot number 3 and so on, until you have connected all the dots. After you have done this, you may use your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

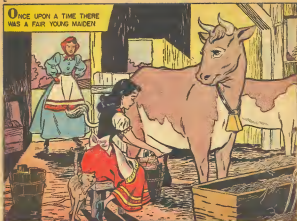


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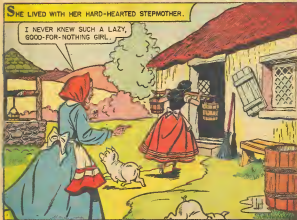


ONCE UPON A TIME THERE  
WAS A FAIR YOUNG MAIDEN



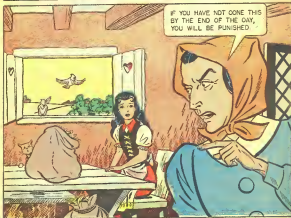
SHE LIVED WITH HER HARD-HEARTED STEPMOTHER.

I NEVER KNEW SUCH A LAZY,  
GOOD-FOR-NOTHING GIRL.

















TELL ME WHAT IS TROUBLING YOU.



I WORK AS HARD AS I CAN FOR MY STEPMOTHER, BUT IT IS NEVER HARD ENOUGH SHE IS ALWAYS FINDING MORE WORK FOR ME.



SHE WANTS ME TO SORT THESE FEATHERS INTO THREE PILES BY THIS EVENING, OR SHE WILL PUNISH ME.

YOU ARE WEARY,  
MY CHILD. LIE DOWN  
AND REST. THE TASK  
WILL BE DONE



WHILE THE TIRED GIRL SLEPT, HER  
FAIRY GODMOTHER WORKED.



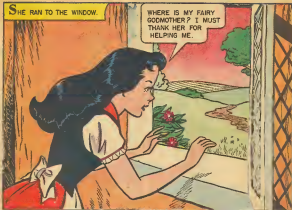
AND WHEN THE GIRL AWOKE

I CAN'T  
BELIEVE IT!



**S**HE RAN TO THE WINDOW.

WHERE IS MY FAIRY GODMOTHER? I MUST THANK HER FOR HELPING ME.



**B**UT ALL SHE COULD SEE WAS HER STEPMOTHER COMING HOME.

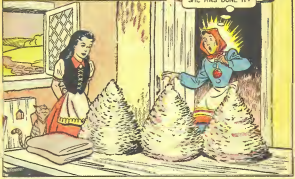


I MUST THINK OF A WAY TO PUNISH MY LAZY STEPDAUGHTER. SURELY SHE HAS NOT FINISHED THE TASK I GAVE HER.



WHEN THE STEPMOTHER ENTERED

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE!  
SHE HAS DONE IT!



WELL, GIRL, DON'T JUST STAND THERE!  
PICK THAT UP AND THROW IT AWAY!

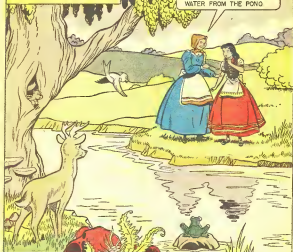


I DID NOT EXPECT HER TO SORT THE FEATHERS SO EASILY. I MUST THINK OF SOMETHING MORE DIFFICULT FOR HER TO DO.



THE NEXT DAY, THE EVIL STEPMOTHER  
HAD THOUGHT OF A NEW TASK.

I WANT YOU TO TAKE THIS  
SPOON AND LADLE OUT THE  
WATER FROM THE POND.



LADLE OUT THE  
WHOLE POND?

YES EVERY DROP OF  
WATER MUST BE GONE  
BY TONIGHT





EVERY TIME THE GIRL PUT THE SPOON IN THE POND, THE WATER RAN OUT THROUGH THE HOLES.

OH, DEAR! I SHALL NEVER BE ABLE TO FINISH THIS TASK

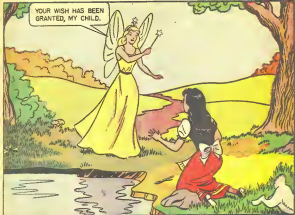


AS SHE TRIED TO SCOOP UP THE WATER, HER TEARS FELL INTO THE POND.

I AM ONLY MAKING IT WORSE HOW I WISH SOMEONE WOULD COME AND HELP ME!







YOUR WISH HAS BEEN GRANTED, MY CHILD.



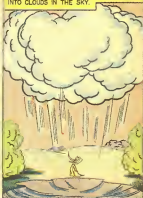
WHO ARE YOU?

I AM YOUR SECOND FAIRY GODMOTHER, MY DEAR. NOW GO AND REST UNDER THAT TREE. LEAVE THIS TASK TO ME.

AS SOON AS THE GIRL FELL ASLEEP,  
HER FAIRY GODMOTHER TOUCHED THE  
WATER WITH HER WAND.



IT ROSE LIKE A MIST, AND TURNED  
INTO CLOUDS IN THE SKY.



AND WHEN THE GIRL AWAKE

THE POND  
IS EMPTY!



WHEN THE STEPMOTHER SAW THIS

WHY DID IT TAKE YOU SO  
LONG? YOU SHOULD HAVE  
FINISHED THE TASK  
HOURS AGO!



AND BY THE FOLLOWING MORNING, THE EVIL STEPMOTHER HAD THOUGHT OF A NEW TASK.

TODAY, I WANT YOU TO BUILD ME A BEAUTIFUL CASTLE, RIGHT HERE.



THE CASTLE AND THE LANDS MUST BE PERFECT IN EVERY DETAIL, FROM THE KETTLE HUMMING ON THE HEARTH TO THE BEE HUMMING IN THE HEDGE



BUT HOW CAN I DO SUCH THINGS?

IF YOU CAN SORT 12 POUNDS OF FEATHERS AND EMPTY A POND WITH A SPOON FULL OF HOLES, YOU CAN BUILD ME A CASTLE. DO IT, OR YOU WILL BE PUNISHED.



AND THE EVIL STEPMOTHER LEFT.



I CANNOT EVEN MOVE ONE OF THESE ROCKS. HOW CAN I HOPE TO BUILD A CASTLE? I WISH I HAD SOMEONE TO HELP ME NOW!





I WILL HELP  
YOU, MY CHILD.

OH, THANK YOU, KIND  
LADY WHO ARE YOU?



I AM YOUR THIRD FAIRY  
GOODMOTHER. I HAVE COME  
TO BUILD A CASTLE WHICH  
WILL ONE DAY BE YOURS.



GO TO SLEEP NOW AND DO  
NOT WORRY ANYMORE.

THE THIRD FAIRY GODMOTHER  
TOUCHED THE GRAY ROCKS AND  
THEY FORMED THEMSELVES INTO  
A MAGNIFICENT CASTLE.



**W**HEN THE GIRL AWAKE . . .

OH, WHAT A BEAUTIFUL CASTLE!  
HOW I WOULD LOVE TO LIVE HERE  
AND BE FREE OF MY CRUEL  
STEPMOTHER



**M**EANWHILE, THE CRUEL STEPMOTHER  
WAS COMING TO FETCH HER.

THIS TIME I SHALL BE ABLE  
TO PUNISH MY STEPDAUGHTER,  
FOR I GAVE HER AN  
IMPOSSIBLE TASK TO DO



**B**UT SOON . . .

WHAT IS THAT  
STRANGE GLOW  
IN THE DISTANCE?







THEY WENT FROM ROOM TO ROOM.



ALL OF THIS IS WELL BUT NOW I WILL SEE TO THE KITCHEN. SURELY THE KETTLE IS NOT HUMMING ON THE HEARTH



**B**UT IN THE KITCHEN

THE KETTLE IS  
HUMMING ON  
THE HEARTH



WELL, THEN, I WILL GO  
INTO THE GARDEN SURELY  
THE BEE IS NOT HUMMING  
IN THE HEDGE



YOU CAN STAY HERE  
AND MAKE SOME  
SUPPER FOR ME



**T**HE EVIL STEPMOTHER WENT INTO THE  
GARDEN.

THE BEE IS  
HUMMING IN  
THE HEDGE



WHAT CAN I FIND THAT THE GIRL FORGOT TO DO? I KNOW--SHE MUST HAVE FORGOTTEN TO FILL THE TREES OF THE FOREST WITH NIGHTINGALES.



SO THE CRUEL STEPMOTHER WENT INTO THE FOREST



BUT IT WAS A HUGE FOREST AND SOON

WHERE AM I?  
I AM LOST!



AND SO THE EVIL WOMAN LOST HER WAY AND SHE HAS NOT FOUND IT TO THIS DAY.



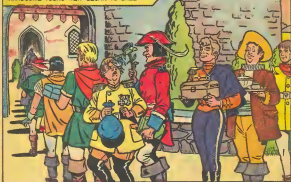
WHEN HER STEPMOTHER DID NOT RETURN, THE CASTLE BELONGED TO THE GIRL. AS IF BY MAGIC, SERVANTS APPEARED TO WAIT ON HER.

HOW BEAUTIFUL YOU LOOK IN YOUR NEW GOWN!

YOU ARE SURE TO HAVE MANY SUITORS!



AND AS SOON AS THE PEOPLE HEARD OF THE BEAUTIFUL MAIDEN IN THE MAGNIFICENT CASTLE, HANDSOME YOUNG MEN BEGAN TO CALL.



AMONG THEM WAS A PRINCE

IT IS SAID THAT THE FAIREST MAIDEN IN ALL THE LAND LIVES WITHIN.



AND WHEN THEY MET

YOU ARE INDEED BEAUTIFUL!



WILL YOU BE MY WIFE?

OH, YES, GRACIOUS PRINCE.



THE NEXT DAY THEY WERE MARRIED. THE THREE FAIRY GODMOTHERS CAME TO THE WEDDING AND PROMISED THEM THAT THEY WOULD LIVE HAPPILY EVER AFTER.



THE END

# AESOP'S FABLES

## THE ANT AND THE DOVE

**O**NE DAY A THIRSTY ANT WENT TO A SPRING TO DRINK

IN ORDER TO REACH THE WATER, I SHALL HAVE TO CLIMB DOWN THIS BLADE OF GRASS.



**A**S HE NEARED THE WATER, HE SLIPPED

HELP!  
HELP!



**A** DOVE ON THE BRANCH OF A NEARBY TREE HEARD THE ANT'S CRY

THAT POOR ANT CANNOT SWIM! I WILL THROW A LEAF DOWN TO HIM.



**T**HE ANT CLIMBED ON THE LEAF AND CAME SAFELY BACK TO SHORE



JUST THEN



THAT HUNTER IS SPREADING HIS NET TO CATCH THE DOVE. I WILL BITE HIS HEEL!

THE ANT BIT THE HUNTER.



OUCH!

AND THE DOVE FLEW TO SAFETY



LATER

THANK YOU, MY FRIEND, FOR SAVING MY LIFE.

THINK NOTHING OF IT. ONE GOOD TURN DESERVES ANOTHER



THE END



# RUB-A-DUB-DUB

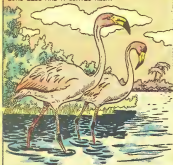
RUB-A-DUB-DUB,  
THREE MEN IN A TUB,  
AND WHO DO YOU THINK THEY BE?  
THE BUTCHER, THE BAKER,  
THE CANDLESTICK-MAKER;  
TURN 'EM OUT, KNIVES ALL THREE!



# THE ANIMAL WORLD

## THE FLAMINGO

**T**HE FLAMINGO IS A BEAUTIFUL WATER BIRD WITH LONG LEGS AND A CURVED NECK.



**I**T HAS A LARGE BEAK. THE BEAK BENDS DOWNWARD IN THE MIDDLE AS IF IT WERE BROKEN.



**F**LAMINGOS EAT BY PUTTING THEIR HEADS UNDER WATER. THEY SIFT THE MUD LOOKING FOR SMALL SHELLFISH.



**F**LAMINGOS LIVE ALONG SEAS AND LAKES, OR IN MARSHES. THEIR NESTS ARE MADE OF MUD. THE MOTHER BIRD SITS ON THE NEST WITH HER LONG LEGS FOLDED UNDER HER.



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