

Princess Diaries 1

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- 1 Mia is fourteen years old. She is very tall and thin, with big feet and curly brown hair. She is a ninth-grader at Albert Einstein High School and very bad at Algebra. She is a vegetarian. She has a best friend – Lilly Moscovitz, but Mia is not popular and has never been out on a date with a boyfriend. She never tells people her feelings.
Mia wishes she was beautiful, like Lana Weinberger, with long blond hair and big grey eyes. She wishes that Lana's boyfriend, Josh Richter, would kiss her too.
- 2 When Mia's father tells her that he is a prince, she gets hiccups.
When Mia learns that she is a princess, she starts to cry.
- 3 (a) The Moscovitzes are nice and their apartment is comfortable. They have lots of delicious food – vegetarian for Mia – and she feels relaxed there.
(b) Lilly and Mia got into the Moscovitzes' big bed and watched James Bond movies on TV. Mia's father phones, but she does not speak to him.
(c) Lilly asks Mia if she prefers Josh Richter or her brother, Michael.
(d) Michael isn't as good-looking as Josh, but he has a good body.
- 4 (a) 'Grandmere will teach you.'
(b) Mia signs the Agreement, because she can stay at her school in New York. As Grandmere lives in France, Mia thinks that she is safe. She can't be taught to be a princess.
- 5 Mia says that Clarisse Marie Renaldo is scary.
Grandmere frightens her.
- 6 Lilly is shocked because Mia looks so different with her short yellow hair and fake fingernails. Lilly thinks that Mia should have said no to all these changes. Mia gets angry and tells her friend to shut up.
- 7 (a) Mia pushed ice cream into Lana Weinberger's sweater.
(b) What's going to happen to Mia now? She doesn't know, so she is worried.
- 8 Michael tells his sister that she is jealous and angry because Mia hasn't asked her advice or told her that she is a princess. Lilly doesn't want to hear this, so she tells her brother to shut up.
- 9 (a) Mia gets angry when Grandmere says that soon Mia will be on the cover of Vogue magazine.
(b) Helen Thermopolis is angry and upset when Phillippe suggests that Frank has told the New York Post reporter about Mia.
(c) Phillippe gets angry when Helen said that Clarisse has told the reporter about Mia. Helen starts to say bad things about Clarisse and Phillippe becomes very angry indeed.
- 10 Mia's date with Josh isn't going well. Mia and Josh have nothing to say to each other. In the restaurant, Josh talks to his friends, but not to Mia. He orders steak for her, but she is a vegetarian and she can't eat it. Josh doesn't notice. He orders champagne and drinks too much of it, but Mia doesn't drink alcohol at all.
- 11 (a) Josh kisses her.
(b) Mia feels embarrassed.
(c) All the reporters take pictures of the kiss.
(d) Mia realizes that Josh is dating her because she is a princess. He wants to get his picture in the papers with her.
(e) Michael dances with Mia.