

The Prince and the Pauper

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 - 1 In London, nearly five hundred years ago.
 - 2 One boy was rich, and everybody wanted him. The other boy was poor, and nobody wanted him.
 - 3 In a room of a small house in Offal Court, near London Bridge.
 - 4 He was poor. He did not work. He stole money. He often hit Tom and his sisters and made them beg for money.
 - 5 He helped him to read and write. He told him stories.
 - 6 Tom dreamt about being a prince because he was clever and he did not want to be poor.

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 - 1 Prince Edward.
 - 2 Because he felt sorry for Tom when the guard shouted at him, and because he was kind and thought Tom looked tired and hungry.
 - 3 Because they liked the sound of each other's life and wanted to pretend they were each other.
 - 4 They looked exactly the same.
 - 5 Because he saw the bruise on Tom's hand. He wanted to find the guard who had hurt Tom and shout at him about it.
 - 6 In a suit of armour.
 - 7 He thought he was a beggar boy because he was dressed in Tom's rags.

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 - 1 The prince found Christ's Hospital. He thought they would help him because his father, the king, gave lots of money to the hospital.
 - 2 No, they did not.
 - 3 Because he thought it would help them to become more kind.
 - 4 He thought the prince was his son, Tom.
 - 5 He took him back home to Offal Court.

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 - 1 He went down on his knees and said he was a pauper called Tom Canty.
 - 2 He thought the guards would come and put him in prison.
 - 3 Because he thought he was mad, so he wanted to test him to find out if he was still clever or if he was mad.
 - 4 He had to go to the Great Banquet.

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 - 1 Because he did not recognize his home in Offal Court, he did not know his mother or his sisters and he said he was the Prince of Wales.
 - 2 She woke him up in the middle of the night. She wanted to give him a surprise to see if he put his hand in front of his face with his palm out.
 - 3 John Canty had killed Father Andrew.
 - 4 He felt angry because Tom Canty was in the palace pretending to be the prince.

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- 1 His job was to fill the prince's cup.
 - 2 He did not know what it was, and he thought it did not look very nice to eat.
 - 3 He told Tom what a prince had to do.
 - 4 Because there were dancers and he liked the dancing, and because he was happy.
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- 1 No, they did not, because he was dressed in rags.
 - 2 At first they laughed at him, then they pushed and pulled him, then one person hit him.
 - 3 A man called Miles Hendon helped him.
 - 4 His message was that King Henry was dead. This meant that Edward was the new king.
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- 1 Edward remembered his father was kind and played with him when he was a boy.
 - 2 No.
 - 3 His cousin, Lady Edith.
 - 4 He asked to sit down in front of the king.
 - 5 Possible answers: he has run away to the palace, he has gone to get food, John Canty has taken him.
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- 1 He said the palace was too big and there was too much food at the banquets. The palace could be smaller and they could eat less food.
 - 2 He thought they were like his sisters Nan and Bet and he felt sorry for them. He thought it was terrible that people could go to prison forever, and never see their families again.
 - 3 No, he did not. He did not believe that people could be witches.
 - 4 They thought it was possible he was not mad. They thought he could be very clever instead of mad.
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- 1 He tricked him. He gave a boy some money to tell Edward that Miles was hurt and needed help.
 - 2 John Canty took the woman's bag.
 - 3 John Canty put the bag in Edward's hands and the woman saw Edward holding the bag.
 - 4 They went to prison for a long time.
 - 5 She thought about her own son, the same age as Edward, and she was worried about him being in prison forever.
 - 6 He took the chicken.
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- 1 Because he was tired and hungry, and he thought he would be able to rest and have something to eat there.
 - 2 At first he was happy, but then he was surprised.
 - 3 Hugh said he had received a letter that told him Miles died when he was at war in France. He said that Miles did not look like his brother.
 - 4 Hugh married Lady Edith.
 - 5 She was very sad. She was probably also frightened.
 - 6 To prison.

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- 1 He wanted to learn about the terrible things that happened so that he would be able to help people when he was king. He wanted to learn to become a good, kind king.
 - 2 He told Miles that he and some other people thought the letter was not real. He thought Hugh had written the letter because he wanted Miles to be dead and to marry Lady Edith himself.
 - 3 Because Hugh was a very angry man, so he could probably hurt people if they told him he was wrong. Mr Andrews worked for Hugh, so he did not want to make him angry and lose his job.
 - 4 He said he would be crowned the following day. He said that some people thought he was mad, but also that he was kind.
 - 5 He gave the guard some money.
 - 6 Miles wanted to speak to the new king and to ask him to help him get Hendon Hall back. Edward wanted to tell everyone he was the real king and to stop Tom being crowned king.
 - 7 Tom was inside the palace, asleep in a big, soft bed. Edward was outside the palace, hungry and alone.
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- 1 No one thought Tom was mad now, because he behaved like a king, he was not frightened and he told people what to do.
 - 2 Tom liked telling people what to do; he loved sleeping on the big, soft bed; he liked all the food and not being hungry; he liked having servants to do everything for him; he loved having lots of rich clothes; he liked playing with Lady Jane and Lady Elizabeth.
 - 3 No, he did not, because he did not want to go back to his old life and be a pauper again.
 - 4 He would buy a new coat or walk in the palace gardens.
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- 1 He saw his mother in the crowd. He was surprised and he was upset because she called out to him but he pretended he did not know who she was.
 - 2 Because when he was surprised he put his hand up in front of his face, with the palm turned out.
 - 3 Because he stopped smiling and waving at them, and he stopped throwing money to them, and he did not look as if he was enjoying the parade anymore. This made the people think he was not kind or happy.
 - 4 He was worried because he thought the king was mad again.
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- 1 There were kings, queens, princes and princesses from all over Europe, and every lord, lady, duke and earl in England.
 - 2 Because he was thinking about his mother.
 - 3 They thought he was a pauper.
 - 4 Because he saw the boys looked the same and he thought they might be telling the truth, that Tom was really Tom Canty and that Edward was really Prince Edward. So he wanted to find out how much Edward knew about his life at the palace and if he was really the prince.
 - 5 He told him about the day they met, when Tom came to the palace. He described everything that happened to help Edward remember where he had put the seal.

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- 1 Miles was waiting outside the palace at Whitehall, hoping to see the king.
 - 2 Edward had told the servants about Miles, described him to them and asked them to look for him. The servant recognized Miles because he was tall and he was wearing old soldier's clothes.
 - 3 He was very surprised.
 - 4 No, he was not. He was pleased that Tom had been good and kind when he was at the palace.
 - 5 He learnt a lot about kindness and about ordinary people when he was a pauper. This made him a kind king. He listened to people and he helped them.