

RUMPELSTILTSKIN

Read the texts in the boxes and number them from 1 to 8 to sequence the fairy tale



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Then, the queen decided to send a messenger to follow the imp and find out his real name. The man followed the imp to a cottage in the woods. On the way the imp sang to himself, which started like this, "Tomorrow, tomorrow, tomorrow, I'll go to the king's house, nobody knows my name, I'm called Rumpelstiltskin..."



Once again, the king was astonished by the miller's daughter. "Put her in a bigger room with even more straw. If she spins that straw into gold again, I will marry her and make her my Queen," said the king. Night came and the imp appeared again. This time the girl had nothing to give the imp for his help. The imp came up with a new offer.



Hopelessly, the queen begged the imp not to take her child and offered him as much gold as he wanted, but he refused. He told her that if she guessed his name within three days, he would not take the child. The queen agreed. Two days passed and she kept listing the names unsuccessfully. She tried hard but she could not guess his name correctly.



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He was astonished! He saw that the straw was gone and now the room was filled with gold. "Put her in a bigger room with more straw tonight. If she turns it into gold, I will free her", the king ordered. That night the imp appeared again and offered to help her, but this time he asked for her ring. By morning the room was filled with gold.



The next day the imp returned to the palace and the queen kept listing names as if she didn't know "Geoffrey, Robert, Luke, Felix, Oscar, Douglas..." until she finally listed "Rumpelstiltskin". The imp got so angry. In a flash he stomped his left foot in the ground so hard that a big hole opened and he disappeared into it forever.



He asked for her firstborn child in exchange. The girl had no choice so she accepted this offer. When the king saw the gold in the room instead of straw the next morning, he married the girl and soon they had a child. The imp came to ask for the child, but the girl was scared that she could not explain this to the king. He would punish her.

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