

SLEEPING BEAUTY

# THE FAME GAME



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**R**emember the princess  
who weaving one day,  
was pricked on her thumb  
and then slept right away?  
The princess was cursed  
with a hundred-year spell  
and all in the palace  
soon slumbered as well.  
A prince broke the spell,  
when the princess was kissed,  
but what happened *next*  
is a tale often missed.

Prince Zac was dismayed as he walked in the wood,  
“I’ve tried to get ‘likes’ but my posts are no good.  
I need something fresh, something not seen before.”  
Then Zac yelled in shock – he’d discovered a door!





“What luck!” Zac enthused as he filmed on his phone,  
“I’ve found an old castle. It’s so overgrown!”



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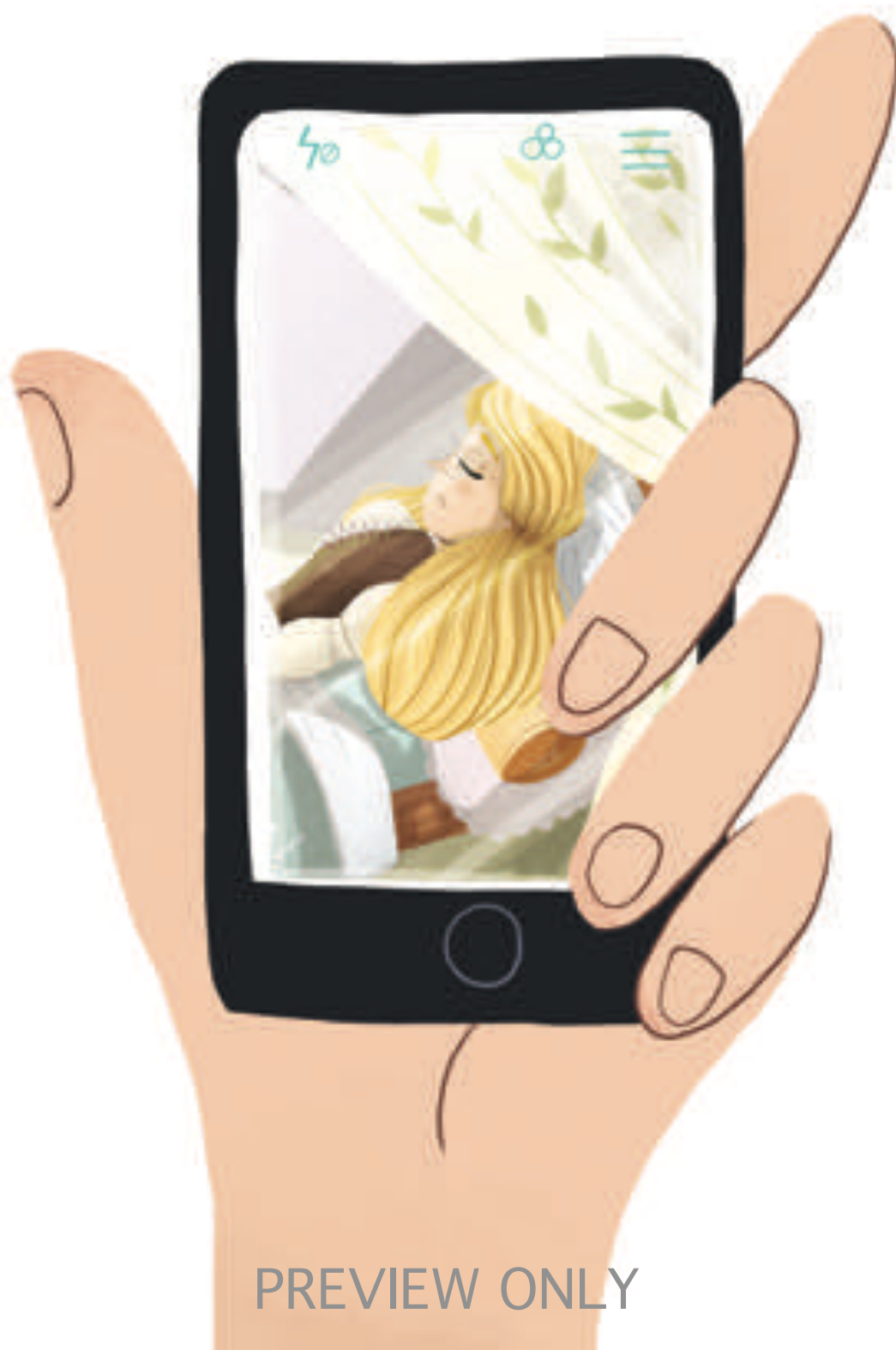


Zac pushed, and he heaved, and pried open the door.  
“Please share and stay tuned if you’d like to see more!”



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Zac searched through each room with incredulous cries,  
“I think that’s a princess!” he gasped in surprise.



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“There’s magic here, folks!  
I know just what to do!”  
Zac held up his phone  
so the whole world could view.





The princess was instantly snapped from her spell!  
She struck out in fright and Zac stumbled, then fell.  
“Who kissed me?” She gagged, as she sat up and glared.  
Then, spotting Zac filming, she simply just stared.



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Then people woke up, as if roused by her yell.  
They burst in and cried, "We've been saved from the spell!"  
"We're all in the future!" The king said, impressed,  
"And are you the prince? You must stay as our guest!"



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Poor Briar, the princess, looked shocked and confused.  
"You've slept for an age!" Briar's father enthused.  
"I've what?" Briar shrieked, as Zac filmed on his phone.  
"I need time to think," Briar whispered, "... alone."

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**BUT...** people worldwide were now glued to their screens.  
They all wanted more of the riveting scenes.



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Zac, seeing his chance,  
set up

•Sleepers TV.

“Here’s how  
I’ll get famous!  
I’ll film secretly!”



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Weeks passed, and the royals just played all day long.  
But Briar looked sad, as if something was wrong.



The viewers watched on as she shed silent tears.  
She seemed quite unhappy to lose all those years.

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Then Briar, by chance, saw herself on TV.  
The world watched her shock, "What's that thing that I see?"  
Zac tried to explain, but when Briar was shown  
she glared, "Take your things,  
and just leave us alone!"







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Zac slunk out the door as he heard Briar cry,  
“It feels like his kindness was just a big lie.  
It’s all a big game to get fame – it’s so wrong!  
I want my old life back. I slept way too long!”



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The viewers felt guilty.

The viewers felt shame.

By watching, they'd all been a part of the 'game'.  
They sat there, uneasy, not sure what to do.  
Then, one by one, chose that they'd no longer view.

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At first, Zac tried hard to keep viewers engaged.  
But all he could think of was Briar, enraged.  
He'd wanted so much to be 'liked' and well known.  
He scrolled on his phone,  
but he just felt  
alone.



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Then, Zac put his phone down,

*“I’m wasting my days!  
I follow each craze  
and it’s all a big haze.”*



It’s time for my hobbies! I miss Briar too!  
I’ve got an idea ... I know just what to do!”

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That night Briar slept as the palace staff crept.  
She woke so surprised that she actually wept.

“The last time you woke me,

I’d lost all those years.

But this is just perfect!”

she said through her tears.



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Zac stepped forward, shyly, regret in his voice,  
“I filmed to get fame – it was such a bad choice.  
I’m so sorry, Briar, I’ve come here screen-free.  
I’m hoping like crazy that you’ll forgive me.”



“There’s presents to open  
and cakes to be had.”

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"There's cake?" Briar cheered,  
"Then I cannot stay mad!"

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With one hundred presents and one hundred cards,  
and palace staff wishing her birthday regards.  
One hundred pieces of one hundred cakes;  
one hundred birthday songs, sung without breaks;  
Briar kept laughing and smiling away,

*“Oh, what a magical, marvellous day!”*







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HAPPY BIRTHDAYS, MUM!

OPY BIRTH

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BIRTHDAYS, DAD!





**“SURPRISE!”**

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# BEHIND THE SCENES

What do you think it would feel like to wake up and find that 100 years had passed? What would you miss?



Why do you think the story is called *The Fame Game*? How is trying to be popular and 'liked' like a game?



Why do you think people want to be famous? What do you think are the ups and downs of being famous?



## ACT ON IT!



- **Design your own 'Fame Game' board game!**  
Use your game idea to think through the ups and downs of social media fame.
- **Make a poster with your family internet rules.**  
Add fun family activities you can do instead of spending time on your screen.

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# DODGE THE DANGERS

The internet is a great resource and a fantastic place to connect, but we need to be careful:

Be cautious –  
limit friends to  
people you  
know and trust.

Be thoughtful –  
you can't undo  
what you do or  
say. It's forever.

Beware when  
you share –  
keep private  
information  
private.

Be balanced –  
have other  
hobbies, limit your  
screen time, and  
avoid the  
'Fame Game'.

Be careful –  
don't expect  
everything to be  
true or everyone  
to be honest.

Be open –  
talk about what you  
see and do with a  
trusted adult.

## MEMORY MOTTOS

It is so tempting to get caught up in the 'Fame Game'! We can help ourselves by remembering the following:



I don't need 'likes'  
if I like myself!

Popularity is not  
greatness.

The 'Fame Game'  
is a trap – I'm  
okay without it.

Access more material on [www.fairytalefraud.com](http://www.fairytalefraud.com)

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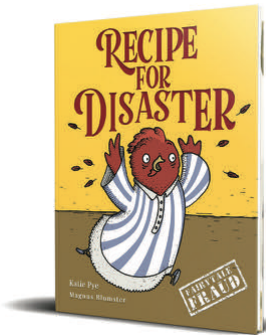
### **COPING WITH CHANGE**

When Humpty Dumpty falls off the wall, fearful King Dumpty must learn to face change.



### **GETTING ON WITH IT**

When Rapunzel refuses to do any task she doesn't like, she causes havoc for the witch.



### **ASKING FOR HELP**

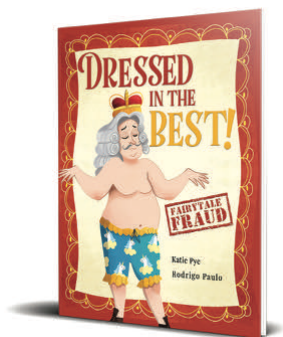
The Little Red Hen believes she must do everything all by herself ... but can she?



### **BEING CONSIDERATE**

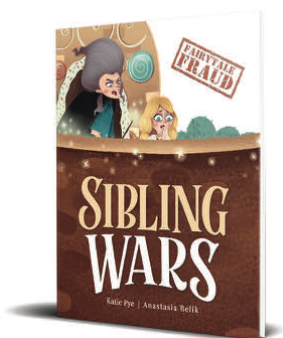
One theft leads to another ... can greedy Jack see sense before his luck runs out?

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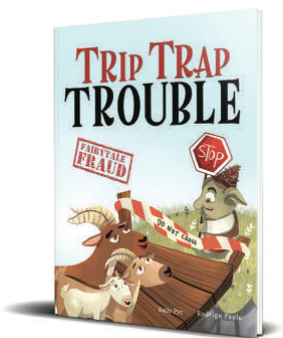
## LISTENING TO OTHERS

Emperor Boxham believes he's 'dressed in the best' and nothing will convince him otherwise!



## HEALTHY CONFLICT

Will Hansel and Gretel stop fighting long enough to escape the witch in the wood.



## GROWING GRATITUDE

The Billy Goats Gruff set out in search of the greenest grass ... but what about the troll?

...and many more!



# WATCH YOUR THINKING!

He did 80 pull ups!  
I can't even do one. I'm a loser!

Oh, I should check my  
phone. I haven't checked  
for a few minutes.

Hannah just got a motorbike?!  
I am so jealous!

Make money while doing  
nothing! Sounds perfect!

Anna always gets so many  
'likes' on her posts. She  
must have a great life.

Unbelievable! They've found live  
dragons! Gotta share this!

I've got absolutely no  
idea who Dave Sharpe is.  
Well, the more friends  
the better!

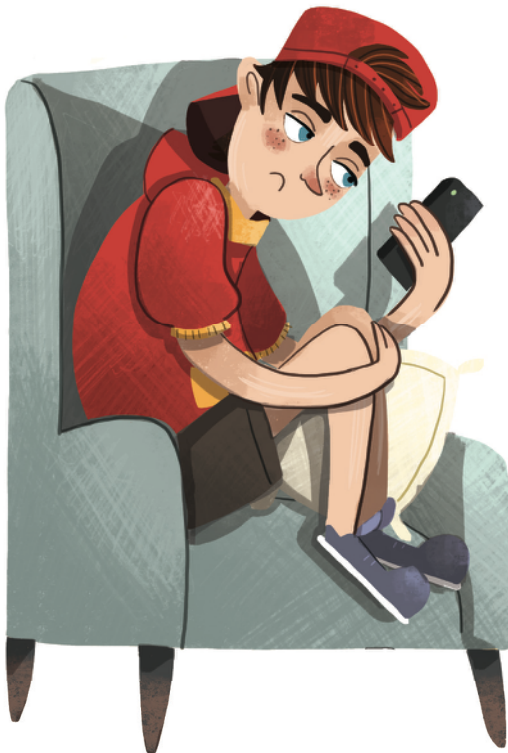
Looks like Manuel is online. Why  
hasn't he 'liked' my post yet?

There's a 40% discount on  
fluffy unicorn cup holders!  
Just what I need.

Just a quick scroll before  
I start studying.

Geez...only 4 likes for my picture!  
Really wasn't worth climbing the  
barrier around the cliff to take it.

What Star Wars character  
am I? Gotta do this!



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*To Andrew, Karen, and Tim.  
You are all so special to me.  
Love, Katie*

*Thanks to Anastasia Belik, Storyboard Creator.*

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