

Learn idioms from stories. Fill in the blanks with the suitable idioms.

broken hearted

armed to the teeth

on cloud nine

feels blue

give him a hand



### The Emperor and The Nightingale

is a story by Hans Christian Andersen. It is about an emperor in China and a nightingale. The emperor likes to hear the sound of a nightingale. He is

\_\_\_\_\_ when he hears the bird singing. One day, he gets a mechanical nightingale and he forgets the real nightingale. The real nightingale is \_\_\_\_\_ and it flies away.

Later, the mechanical bird is broken. The emperor...



### The Emperor and The Kite

is a story by Jane Yolen. The story takes place in China. Princess Djeow Seow adores the Emperor. However, he always ignores her. So, she often \_\_\_\_\_.

She always finds joy in making and flying kites because she is so lonely. One day, enemies attack the palace. They are \_\_\_\_\_.

They capture the emperor and lock him in a tower. The princess wants to \_\_\_\_\_. She ...

Choose the correct answer.

From the stories, we learn to \_\_\_\_\_.

(a) be responsible      (b) be independent      (c) cherish the things we have

Answer the questions.

1. Where do the stories take place?

\_\_\_\_\_.

2. In Story 1, why does the real nightingale fly away?

\_\_\_\_\_.

3. In Story 2, why does the princess always find joy in making and flying kites?

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