

HFW - READING - UNIT 5

The frog and the prince



A **lovely** princess sat by the pool and played with a **sculpture** of a bear. Suddenly, she dropped it, and it rolled away. She **chased** it, but it fell into the water. She began to cry. A large, ugly frog asked "why are you crying?" After the princess told him, the frog said, "I can get the sculpture. What will you give me in **exchange** for the **favor**?"

"I can pay you a **fee** in gold" she said. But the frog **protested**. "I want to sleep in your bed, and you must kiss me in the morning."

"He'd die without water. So I don't have to keep my promise", she thought. The frog **dove** for a **brief** moment and got the sculpture. Then, the princess ran away with it. Later, the frog went to the **palace**. The king told her to keep her promise. This put the princess on a bad **mood**. She **permitted** the frog to sleep on her pillow. In the morning, she gave him a kiss.

Suddenly, he turned into a **guy**. He said: "I'm from a kingdom **abroad**. In my **youth**, I **angered** a **tribe** of cruel witches, who turned me into a frog".

The princess asked him, "Can I be your **bride** and stay with you **forever**?" But the prince said, "No. You **disappointed** me. You didn't keep your promise."

READING COMPREHENSION

1. What is the story about?

- A) A guy who angers a cruel witch.
- B) How people are not always what they seem to be.
- C) Why princes should go abroad to find a bride.
- D) How to keep promises made in exchange for favors.

2. The frog asked the lovely princess to ...

- A) Be in a better mood.
- B) Kiss him in the morning.
- C) Dive into the pool to get the ball.
- D) Permit him to live in the palace.

3. What can be assumed from the passage?

- A) The princess was humiliated when the prince didn't take her back to his kingdom.
- B) The prince and the princess were only happy for a brief time.
- C) The frog protested he didn't need gold because he was rich.
- D) The prince was turned into a frog during his youth.

4. According to the passage, all the following are true EXCEPT ...

- A) The king made the princess keep her promise.
- B) The princess asked the prince if she could be his bride and stay with him.
- C) The princess chased her sculpture until it fell into the pool.
- D) The frog disappointed the princess by turning into a prince.

5. Why did the princess think she would not have to keep her promise?

- A) She thought the frog would die if he leaves the pool.
- B) She thought the frog wouldn't remember.
- C) She was a liar.
- D) She couldn't keep any promise because she was cursed.