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The king and the drums

1 Read and circle.

- 1 The king's secret was that he:
A was too handsome.
B couldn't play the drums.
C had donkey ears.
- 2 The drums were made of:
A plastic. **B** tamarind wood. **C** metal.
- 3 Baiju was unhappy because he:
A had donkey ears too.
B couldn't tell anyone the king's secret.
C was too famous.
- 4 In the end, the king:
A realised he should be a better king.
B moved to another castle.
C looked in the mirror.

2 Read and answer.

- 1 What could the tamarind trees hear?

- 2 Why was the king angry with Baiju?

- 3 What did the queen tell the king to do at the end?

3. You are the barber from the story. Write a diary entry on the evening when you discover the king's donkey ears.

Write about:

- what happened
- how you felt
- why you were worried
- what the king told you
- what you decided to do

Dear Diary,

Today was a very strange day. I went to the king's palace because _____.

When I cut his hair, I discovered _____.

I felt _____ because
_____.

The king told me _____.

I promised _____.

But now I can't stop thinking about _____.

I don't know what to do. Maybe tomorrow I will
_____.

Good night,

The Barber