

Complete the sentences with the verbs in parentheses. Use the *simple past*, *simple present*, or *past progressive*.

Once upon a time, a king and his three daughters (live) \_\_\_\_\_ in a castle in a faraway land. One day while the king (think) \_\_\_\_\_ about his daughters, he (have) \_\_\_\_\_ an idea. He (form) \_\_\_\_\_ a plan for finding husbands for them.

When it (come) \_\_\_\_\_ time for the three daughters to marry, the king (announce) \_\_\_\_\_ his plan. He said, "I'm going to take three jewels to the fountain in the centre of the village. The young men (meet) \_\_\_\_\_ together there every day. The three young men who find the jewels will become my daughters' husbands."

The next day, the king (choose) \_\_\_\_\_ three jewels—an emerald, a ruby, and a diamond—and (take) \_\_\_\_\_ them into the village. He (hold) \_\_\_\_\_ them in his hand and (walk) \_\_\_\_\_ among the young men. First, he (drop) \_\_\_\_\_ the emerald, then the ruby, and then the diamond. A handsome man (pick) \_\_\_\_\_ up the emerald. Then a wealthy prince (spot) \_\_\_\_\_ the ruby and (bend) \_\_\_\_\_ down to pick it up. The king (be) \_\_\_\_\_ very pleased! But then a frog (hop) \_\_\_\_\_ toward the diamond and (pick) \_\_\_\_\_ it up. The frog (bring) \_\_\_\_\_ the diamond to the king and said, "I (be) \_\_\_\_\_ the Frog Prince. I (claim) \_\_\_\_\_ your third daughter as my wife."

When the king (tell) \_\_\_\_\_ Tina, his third daughter, about the Frog Prince, she (refuse) \_\_\_\_\_ to marry him. When the people of the land (hear) \_\_\_\_\_ the news about the frog and the princess, they (laugh) \_\_\_\_\_ and (laugh) \_\_\_\_\_. "Have you heard the news?" the people (say) \_\_\_\_\_ to each other. "Princess Tina is going to marry a frog!"

Tina (feel) \_\_\_\_\_ terrible. She said, "I (be) \_\_\_\_\_ the unluckiest person in the world." She (fall) \_\_\_\_\_ to the floor and (sob) \_\_\_\_\_. No one (love) \_\_\_\_\_ her, she (believe) \_\_\_\_\_. Her father (understand, not) \_\_\_\_\_ her. She (hide) \_\_\_\_\_

from her friends and (keep) \_\_\_\_\_ her pain in her heart. Every day, she (grow) sadder and sadder. Her two sisters (have) \_\_\_\_\_ grand weddings. Their wedding bells (ring) \_\_\_\_\_ with joy across the land.

Eventually, Tina (leave) the castle. She (run) \_\_\_\_\_ away from her family and (go) \_\_\_\_\_ to live in the woods by herself. She (eat) \_\_\_\_\_ simple food, (drink) \_\_\_\_\_ water from the lake, (cut) \_\_\_\_\_ her own firewood, (wash) \_\_\_\_\_ her own clothes, (sweep) \_\_\_\_\_ the floor herself, (make) \_\_\_\_\_ her own bed, and (take) \_\_\_\_\_ care of all her own needs. But she (be) \_\_\_\_\_ very lonely and unhappy.

One day Tina (go) \_\_\_\_\_ swimming. The water (be) \_\_\_\_\_ deep and cold. Tina (swim) \_\_\_\_\_ for a long time and (become) \_\_\_\_\_ very tired. While she (swim) \_\_\_\_\_ back toward the shore, she (lose) \_\_\_\_\_ the desire to live. She (quit) \_\_\_\_\_ trying to swim to safety. She (drown) \_\_\_\_\_ when the frog suddenly (appear) \_\_\_\_\_ and with all his strength (push) \_\_\_\_\_ Tina to the shore. He (save) \_\_\_\_\_ her life.

(9) "Why (save, you) \_\_\_\_\_ my life, Frog?"

"Because you (be) \_\_\_\_\_ very young and you (have) \_\_\_\_\_ a lot to live for."

"No, I (do, not) \_\_\_\_\_," said the princess. "I (be) \_\_\_\_\_ the most miserable person in the whole universe."

"Let's talk about it," (say) \_\_\_\_\_ the frog. And they (begin) \_\_\_\_\_ to talk. Tina and the Frog Prince (sit) \_\_\_\_\_ together for hours and hours. Frog (listen) \_\_\_\_\_ and (understand) \_\_\_\_\_. He (tell) \_\_\_\_\_ her about himself and his own unhappiness and loneliness. They (share) \_\_\_\_\_ their minds and hearts.

Day after day, they (spend) \_\_\_\_\_ hours with each other. They (talk) \_\_\_\_\_, (laugh) \_\_\_\_\_, (play) \_\_\_\_\_ and (work) \_\_\_\_\_ together.

One day while they (sit) \_\_\_\_\_ near the lake, Tina (bend) \_\_\_\_\_ down and, with great affection, (kiss) \_\_\_\_\_ the frog on his forehead. Poof! Suddenly the frog (turn) \_\_\_\_\_ into a man!

He (take) \_\_\_\_\_ Tina in his arms, and said, "You (save) \_\_\_\_\_ me with your kiss. Outside, I (look) \_\_\_\_\_ like a frog, but you (see) \_\_\_\_\_ inside and (find) \_\_\_\_\_ the real me. Now I (be) \_\_\_\_\_ free. An evil wizard had turned me into a frog until I found the love of a woman with a truly good heart!" When Tina (see) \_\_\_\_\_ through outside appearances, she (find) \_\_\_\_\_ true love.

Tina and the prince (return) \_\_\_\_\_ to the castle and (get) \_\_\_\_\_ married. Her two sisters, she discovered, (be) \_\_\_\_\_ very unhappy. The handsome husband (ignore) \_\_\_\_\_ his wife and (talk, not) \_\_\_\_\_ to her. The wealthy husband (make) \_\_\_\_\_ fun of his wife and (give) \_\_\_\_\_ her orders all the time. But Tina and her Frog Prince (live) \_\_\_\_\_ happily ever after.