

## My first tale

**O**nce upon a time, a princess called Arabella lived in a splendid castle. Arabella was very sweet<sup>1</sup> and very pretty, but she was very sad<sup>2</sup>: her father was dead<sup>3</sup>, and her stepmother<sup>4</sup>, Kruella was a wicked witch<sup>5</sup>. She was very cruel and very horrid, and she was also very jealous of Arabella because Arabella had a generous fiancé: Prince Andy.

**O**ne day, Kruella locked<sup>6</sup> her daughter in a dangerous tower<sup>7</sup>. Arabella cried<sup>8</sup> and screamed, and banged on the door, but Kruella refused to open it. Arabella yelled<sup>9</sup> for 7 days<sup>10</sup> and 7 nights. She was sad, afraid and angry.

**O**ne day, she decided to escape: she made a rope<sup>11</sup> and left the tower. The castle was in a magical and dirty<sup>12</sup> forest.

Arabella walked for 2 days, she was tired<sup>13</sup> and breathless<sup>14</sup>, but finally, she arrived at a cottage. She knocked<sup>15</sup> on the door, and an intelligent fairy opened the door and invited her.

**T**he fairy offered Arabella cookies, fruit and chocolate. Arabella explained her story and the fairy decided to help her.

**T**hey walked back<sup>16</sup> to the castle, and the fairy turned Kruella into<sup>17</sup> a mean wolf.

**T**wo months later, Arabella and Andy got married and they lived happily ever after.

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### Key:

- : characters (nouns)
- : characteristics (adjectives)
- : places (nouns)
- : actions (preterite verbs)

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- 1 Gentille, douce
  - 2 Triste
  - 3 Mort
  - 4 Une belle-mère
  - 5 Une méchante sorcière (wicked: malicieux/se)
  - 6 Lock (enfermer)
  - 7 Une tour
  - 8 **Cry**: PLEURER (scream: crier)
  - 9 Yell: hurler
  - 10 **For** 7 days: **pendant** 7 jours
  - 11 Une corde
  - 12 Sale
  - 13 Fatigué/e
  - 14 Éssoufflée, à bout de souffle...
  - 15 Knock: frapper (bang: tambouriner, frapper à coups de poings)
  - 16 Walk: marcher (walk **back**: retourner, revenir)
  - 17 Turn: tourner (turn **into**: TRANSFORMER)