

Cinderella



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Once upon a time, there was a young lady by the name of Cinderella. She was a gentle, kind soul.

Unfortunately, she was unhappy a lot of the time. She had two stepsisters called Patience and Grace who were very cruel to her. Cinderella's Dad had married their Mum but both parents had been eaten by a giant tortoise, which meant that nobody was around anymore to keep an eye on the ugly sisters and stop them being horrible to Cinderella. Cinderella tried to be cheerful and often spent time daydreaming and wondering how her life might be.

One day, Prince Charming strode into town and announced that, although he was rich and powerful, he was feeling lonely, so would be hosting a Grand Ball, which everyone in the land was invited to.

Patience & Grace were horribly excited but immediately shattered Cinderella's dreams by telling her that she was forbidden from going to the ball and had to stay home counting the grains of rice in the rice jar. They flounced off to get ready and left Cinderella counting and weeping.

Suddenly, a kind and silly old fairy appeared. She told Cinderella that she was her Fairy Godmother and that she could help Cinderella make it to the Prince's Ball. She rummaged in her bag and, after first pulling out some sausages and a very long scarf that she'd been knitting, she produced a beautiful, blue magic wand and immediately turned Cinderella's old tatty clothes into a sparkly party outfit. What else might Cinderella wish for.....?

The first fantastic spell, created a sonic surfboard that got its power from musical notes. When Cinderella stood on it, a gentle 'Om' sound filled the air and she rode the board all the way to the palace. Her ugly sisters, Patience and Grace were already at the ball and they saw Cinderella as soon as she came in. What was stranger still, was that they also saw a girl who looked exactly like Cinderella and who, it turned out, was a Princess, also called Cinderella, of a place called 'Next Door Land'. The ugly sisters decided to investigate further and got on a train to try and find another ball to go to in the other kingdom. They discovered that 'Next Door Land' contained another of everything and everyone that was in their own kingdom.

The sisters hurtled down the train track and suddenly, in front of them, they saw what looked like a mirror, showing a reflection of themselves. It was actually a portal to other lands and they crashed straight into themselves, before waking up in 'Next Door Land', where they met up with.....themselves!

Meanwhile, back at the original party, the two Cinderellas were together. They noticed the Prince, who looked a little lonely. They tried to cheer him up by starting a conga but he didn't join in. When the dance ended, Cinderella noticed some of her friends had arrived. Her dear friend Snow White, plus many of her little mice friends. Snow White was scared of the mice and made quite a lot of fuss. Prince Charming was also pretty terrified of the mice. Another two of Cinderella's friends arrived, dressed as a windmill and an electricity pylon. The pylon was just trying to be friendly but accidentally electrocuted the mice, killing them all instantly and really upsetting both Cinderellas. As if this chaos wasn't enough, suddenly all FOUR versions of the ugly sisters re-appeared, determined to cheer up the Prince and fight for his affections. They decided on a dance off between both versions of themselves. Original Grace versus 'Next Door Land' Grace and Original Patience versus 'Next Door Land' Patience.

In both cases, the 'Next Door Land' versions won easily. That did cheer the Prince up a little but he had to be honest with them and admit that he still only had eyes for Cinderella. The Cinderella from 'Next Door Land' told everyone that she was already married to a Prince in her own world and that she was in their world to try and make sure that the Prince and Cinderella ended up together. Prince Charming ordered both versions of Patience and Grace to get back on the portal train and leave their land. He asked Cinderella to dance with him to 'Super Trouper' and they even shared a little lemonade and alcohol. They decided to get married immediately. Windmill and Pylon performed the ceremony, with Pylon taking great care not to touch anybody and everyone throughout the kingdom lived Happily Ever After.....!!