The Frog Prince
Retold by Debbie Wolf

Long ago, there was a king. He had beautiful daughters. The king gave his children everything. One day, his youngest princess sat by a spring to play with her silver ball. It fell into the water. The princess could not get the ball. She began to cry.

An ugly frog heard her crying. He asked what was the matter. The princess said she had lost her silver ball. It was her prettiest toy.

The frog said he would help her. First, she had to promise that she would let him be her friend, visit the palace, and eat lunch from fancy plates. The princess promised. But as soon as the frog gave her the ball, the princess jumped to her feet and ran home. The frog yelled, "Wait!" The frog hopped toward the princess, but she did not take him with her.
The next day, the princess told the king about her promise. The king said, “You must not fail to keep your promise.”

That day, as the princess and the frog were having lunch on the fancy plates, the frog told the princess his sad tale. He was really a handsome prince who had been turned into a frog. Only the friendship of a kind princess could turn him back into a prince.

The princess was so touched by the frog’s tale that she leaned over to give him a kiss. The frog turned back into a fine prince. The prince and the princess became good friends.
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Comprehension Questions

Answer the following sentences using complete sentences and correct punctuation and capitalization.

1. Why did the princess begin to cry when she was sitting by the spring?

2. What did the princess had to promise before the frog could help her?

3. The king told his daughter that she must keep her promise. What kind of king do you think he is?

4. What was the frog’s sad story?

5. How did the frog turn back into a prince?