

– FROG PRINCE any years ago, there lived a brave and honest king who had five beautiful daughters. The Princess ran to the side of the well and peeped inside it. The well was very deep. Sometimes on warm and sunny days, the King's youngest daughter went to play near a well in the forest. "Whatever you want, dear frog," said she, "My clothes, my pearls and jewels, you can choose whatever you like." – The frog dived into the water and soon came out with the ball in his forearms. The Princess was so delighted to see her pretty plaything that she ran to grab it in her hands. There was a dark dense forest near the King's Palace. She kept tossing it high up in the air and catching it again. Suddenly she missed, and the ball rolled on the ground and went into the well. "No, I do not want your riches," said the frog. "But if you promise to let me be your companion and sit by you at your little table, I will go down and bring back your golden ball. Remember if you agree you shall have to allow me to eat from your plate and sleep in your bed as well. So think carefully and answer." "What! How can a frog be a companion to a human being?" But she looked at the frog and said, "Oh yes! I promise to fulfill all your – wishes if you bring back my ball." The frog kept shouting but the Princess did not look back. In the evening as the Princess sat down for dinner with the King and her sisters, she heard a soft knock at the door followed by a croaking noise. She arose and went to open the door herself. "Go away, you ugly creature, why have you come here," said the Princess rudely to the frog as she pushed him aside from the door. – Suddenly there was another knock on the door followed by the croaking. She knew that she could not reach the ball.