

Fairer Tales



Question time

Your name:

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Before you read together

HSBC UK has joined forces with award-winning children's author Emma Dodd to launch *Fairer Tales – Princesses doing it for themselves*, a book for 5 to 7-year-olds, which aims to challenge gender stereotypes and to showcase the potential of women and girls to achieve their financial goals independently.

Instead of waiting for Prince Charming to save them, it is Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty and Rapunzel's clever approach to saving and other financial tricks that help them to live happily ever after.

This guide looks to encourage deeper critical thinking and engage children with the concept of managing their money in a familiar story as well as encouraging them to challenge their own opinions and values, rather than following others. There are a list of questions related to the book to talk through within this guide, as well as broader points on financial management and stereotypes.

Questions about Cinderella



Question 1

Do you think it is fair that Cinderella does everything in the house?

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Question 2

Who else could help Cinderella?

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Question 3

What does Cinderella love most?

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Question 4

How could Cinderella get new shoes?

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Question 5

Do you think Cinderella needs a Prince to help her escape? Can you think of any another ways that she could leave?

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Question 1

Did Sleeping Beauty need a Prince to wake her?

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Question 2

What do you think are in the envelopes?

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Question 3

Why does Sleeping Beauty now have more money in her bank?

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Question 4

Is waiting to save for something special a good idea? Why do you think that is?

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Question 5

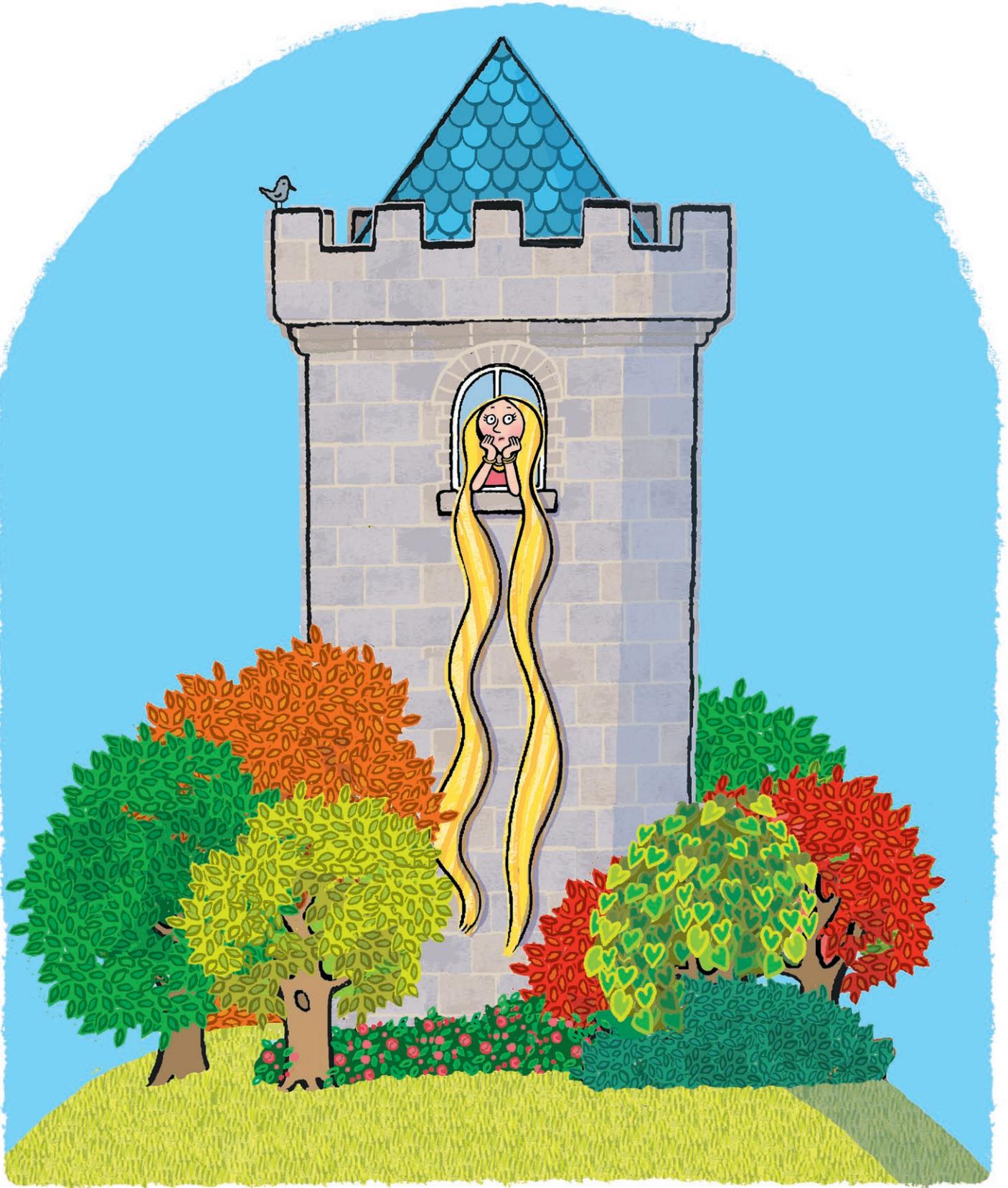
Do you think Sleeping Beauty could buy something bigger because she saved?

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Questions about Sleeping Beauty



Questions about Rapunzel



Question 1

What do you think Rapunzel can do with her hair?

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Question 2

Why do you think Rapunzel is making an offer to the Wicked Witch?

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Question 3

How is Rapunzel able to afford the tower?

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Question 4

Is borrowing money a good idea?

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Question 5

Why is Rapunzel investing in Cinderella's business?

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Want to continue the conversation of money management? We have a list of more generic questions to continue the discussion and encourage further critical thinking.

Question 1

Do any of the characters in the book remind you of anyone?

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Question 2

How do you think these stories are different from the Cinderella, Sleeping Beauty and Rapunzel stories you've read before?

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Question 3

Do you think there are any differences between what boys and girls can achieve?

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Question 4

Have you ever saved up your money for something?

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Question 5

How long did it take you?

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Question 6

Have you ever shared your money?

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Question 7

How do you get pocket money?

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Question 8

Where does money come from?

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Question 9

Why is it important to think about money?

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