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# *The* **Princess** *and the* **PEA**

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## SUMMARY

The Princess and the Pea is the story of Amy, a princess who loves green and eating peas (yes, peas!). Amy wants to marry the very handsome Prince James. Unfortunately Queen Janice doesn't want Amy and James to marry so she dares Amy not to eat any peas for 24 hours! Can Amy stop eating her favorite food – even though she will be tempted (even between her mattress!)?



## CHARACTER LIST

- Princess Amy: loves green and everything about it [F]
- Prince James: being forced to get married [M]
- Queen Janice: James' mother; very picky [F]
- King Jim: James' father; thinks James should be married [M]
- Jester: royal employee and James' best friend [E]
- Lady in Waiting: always waiting for something [F]
- Guard [E]
- Prince Adam: Amy's brother [M]
- Princess Brenda: Adam's new wife; uses big words [F]
- Logan: A knight is not so shining armor [M/E]



## SCENE 1 – Palace Throne Room

The Jester is juggling (or doing some form of entertainment) as King Jim is sitting on his throne, his wife Queen Janice to his right and his son Prince James to his left.

KING JIM: Great job, Jester.

JESTER: Thank you sir.

KING JIM: Now, Prince James, my only son, heir to my throne, apple of my eye, light of my world ...

PRINCE JAMES: Enough dad, gosh. You can be so embarrassing.

KING JIM: Sorry James. Now is the time... the time to talk about your marriage.

PRINCE JAMES: My what?

KING JIM: Your marriage.

PRINCE JAMES: But, I'm not getting married.

KING JIM: That's the problem. You need to take over for me. I'm not going to be king forever. Your mother and I want to travel.

QUEEN JANICE: We want to leave the kingdom and visit Sweden! (feel free to insert the name of your local town)

KING JIM: Ahhh, yes - Sweden! I'd like to get myself some of those Swedish fish I hear so much about. (again, the director can change the line to reflect something unique about your town)

PRINCE JAMES: But father, I'm not ready to marry. I haven't even met someone yet.

QUEEN JANICE: We've got that all taken care of. Guard!

PRINCE JAMES: How do you have it taken care of? Not an arranged marriage?

KING JIM: Of course not.

The guard enters with a laptop (or tablet).

GUARD: Here you are Queen Janice.

QUEEN JANICE: Thank you.

PRINCE JAMES: I still don't get it. Have you found someone for me to marry?

QUEEN JANICE: Possibly. You see we put your profile up on RoyalsOnly.com

PRINCE JAMES: On RoyalsOnly.com? What were you thinking?

KING JIM: It's perfect. It's a site for young princes and princesses to meet.

PRINCE JAMES: That's awful. I don't want to meet my future wife on a website.

QUEEN JANICE: Why not? That's how many people are meeting these days!

KING JIM: That's the future, son.

QUEEN JANICE: (typing in the computer) Let's see. Oh, you've got some gold.

PRINCE JAMES: Gold?

QUEEN JANICE: Yes, when you like someone's profile, you can give them gold. That's how you know if someone is interested in you, James.

KING JIM: (looking at the computer) It looks like there are four pieces of gold in your case.

QUEEN JANICE: Yes! Four matches. Let's see here. Princess Fantine, she likes long walks on the beach and butterflies. She sounds like an idiot. Delete.

PRINCE JAMES: I like long walks on the beach.

KING JIM: Let me see that. (takes computer) Here's Princess Jillian. She loves to joust.

QUEEN JANICE: That's not what a princess should be doing. Delete her.

PRINCE JAMES: Jousting is so much fun.

KING JIM: Here's another one. Princess Berget.

QUEEN JANICE: Delete.

PRINCE JAMES: Why?

QUEEN JANICE: Her name, Berget. Who's ever heard of a name like that? I don't want a daughter in law named Berget.

PRINCE JAMES: You're being unreasonable.

QUEEN JANICE: Did you hear him, Jim? He can't talk to me that way. Say something to your son.

KING JIM: Son, don't talk to your mother that way. Oooh, how about this one, Princess Karla. She likes to ride horses. That's something normal for a princess.

QUEEN JANICE: Let me see that. (takes computer) It also says that she likes horses so much that she sleeps in the barn. Nasty. Delete. (hands computer to Jim) Maybe we will have better luck tomorrow.

PRINCE JAMES: Don't I get to decide? This is my future wife, not yours.

QUEEN JANICE: This is my future replacement. Don't worry son, we will find you a wife sooner or later. Come Jim, let's go take a royal stroll through the royal garden.

KING JIM: You don't have to say royal before everything. If we do it, it's just implied that it's royal.

QUEEN JANICE: Let's go. (they exit)

PRINCE JAMES: I can't believe it.

JESTER: I know. They weren't even impressed by my juggling. (or whatever he did)

PRINCE JAMES: I mean about my future wife.

JESTER: Oh, yeah. That too.

PRINCE JAMES: I just don't know what to do. They think they can control my life.

JESTER: Look, James, how long have we been best friends?

PRINCE JAMES: Well, you started working here about 5 years ago. And I didn't really like you for the first month or so.

JESTER: Wait, why?

PRINCE JAMES: I didn't think you were funny. Actually, I still don't.

JESTER: Really?

PRINCE JAMES: No, not at all. But I do like you. So, I'd say we've been best friends for about four and a half years now.

JESTER: Right, and in those four and a half years I've heard you complain about how your parents run your life. Now is the time to do something about it.

PRINCE JAMES: What can I do?

JESTER: Talk to them

PRINCE JAMES: No way. They would never listen. I should just run away.

JESTER: Running away never got anyone anywhere, except lost.

PRINCE JAMES: What about Cinderella? She ran away from the ball and now she's married.

JESTER: She's married because she lost her shoe.

PRINCE JAMES: Maybe I should lose something too. How about my belt?

JESTER: No way, then your pants would fall down and no one wants to see that.

PRINCE JAMES: Alright, maybe I could fall asleep and wait for true love's kiss.

JESTER: Sleeping never got anyone anything, except refreshed.

PRINCE JAMES: What about Aurora or Snow White?

JESTER: Aurora had to injure her finger first and Snow White ate a bad apple.

PRINCE JAMES: I don't like apples, maybe I can eat a bad Kiwi?

JESTER: First of all, there is no such thing as a bad kiwi, they are always delicious and second you need to write your own story - not try to live someone else's.

PRINCE JAMES: I guess you're right. So, what do I do?

JESTER: Not sure. Let's think.

They both sit and think for a moment or two.

JESTER: I've got it. (grabs the computer) Search.

PRINCE JAMES: There's no way my future is on this thing.

JESTER: Why not. (starts looking through the computer) I'm sure there are tons of normal princesses on here. (reads one) Likes to eat bugs. Wait what? No. I'll keep looking.

PRINCE JAMES: It's no use. I'm just not ready. (looks at the computer) Wait, who's that?

JESTER: Princess Amy. She likes jousting.

PRINCE JAMES: Me too.

JESTER: And tennis.

PRINCE JAMES: Me too.

JESTER: Her favorite juice is ... no way ... kiwi!

PRINCE JAMES: Mine too.

JESTER: She loves the color green.

PRINCE JAMES: So do I.

JESTER: And her favorite food is peas.

PRINCE JAMES: No. Alright, everyone has some flaw. I can get over the pea thing.

JESTER: She's very pretty.

PRINCE JAMES: (takes the computer) Yes she is.

JESTER: So ... send her gold.

PRINCE JAMES: I can't buy her love.

JESTER: No, on the computer thing. Send her gold to tell her you like her.

PRINCE JAMES: I think I will. This is very exciting.

JESTER: You know, maybe I should get on this site and find myself a bride.

PRINCE JAMES: It's for royals only.

JESTER: I'll just register on Jesters-Mingle.com. I better get going. I need to practice my new routine for dinner tonight.

PRINCE JAMES: Thanks. Best friends for life.

JESTER: Yes sir. (he exits)

James looks at his computer. Smiles.

PRINCE JAMES: Princess Amy. Send gold. Yes!

Transition to ...

## Scene 2 – Amy's Tower

Amy is seated at a small table eating peas from a bowl in front of her, a laptop computer to her right. As she eats she types and clicks on the computer. This goes on for a few moments then there is a knock on the door.

PRINCESS AMY: (mouth full) Who is it?

PRINCE ADAM: Your brother.

PRINCESS AMY: Adam! (as she yells peas fly from her mouth; she opens the door) It is you!

PRINCE ADAM: (hugging Amy) Yes it is, and with my beautiful new wife Princess Brenda.

PRINCESS BRENDA: Back from our Honeymoon.

PRINCESS AMY: It seems like forever since I last saw you two.

PRINCE ADAM: It's only been a week.

PRINCESS BRENDA: Oh, Princess Amy, We must tell you all about the beautiful island of Hush-ush.

PRINCE ADAM: What are you doing?

PRINCESS AMY: Eating.

PRINCE ADAM: Peas of course. You know, one day you're going to turn into a pea. That's all you eat.

PRINCESS AMY: Is not. I eat broccoli, and brussels sprouts, and cucumbers.

PRINCE ADAM: Yes, I know. If it's green you eat it.

PRINCESS BRENDA: On the isle of Hush-ush they have these beautiful green grapes. They are a delicacy.

PRINCESS AMY: A-what-icacy?

PRINCESS BRENDA: Delicacy. That means that they are very rare and only a few people every get a chance to eat them.

PRINCESS AMY: That sounds weird.

PRINCESS BRENDA: No it's not. They are the sweetest grapes you have ever eaten. They're pretty undersized too.

PRINCESS AMY: Undersized?

PRINCESS BRENDA: Small, about the size of this pea. (takes a pea from the bowl)

PRINCESS AMY: Don't touch the peas.

PRINCESS BRENDA: Sorry. Anyway, they are different from the peas. They have this small red dot on the bottom.

PRINCESS AMY: (take the pea from Brenda and eats it) Those grapes do sound delicious though. I'd love to try one, especially since they are green.

PRINCESS BRENDA: Well, we tried to bring some back for you but I wound up consuming them all on the ride here. (takes a empty vine of grapes from her pocket)

PRINCESS AMY: Couldn't control yourself, huh?

PRINCESS BRENDA: Neither would you. They are just delectable.

PRINCESS AMY: Delectable?

PRINCESS BRENDA: That means they are palatable. (Amy looks odd at her) Scrumptious. (Amy still looks odd; Brenda is frustrated) They taste good.

PRINCESS AMY: Why didn't you just say that. Why do you have to use such big words all the time?

PRINCESS BRENDA: Words are the most powerful thing any person can use.

PRINCESS AMY: No way. A wand is, like the ones from Harry Potter!

PRINCESS BRENDA: Harry Potter is fictitious.

PRINCESS AMY: I don't know what that means, but Harry Potter is the greatest!

PRINCE ADAM: (looking at the laptop) What's this?

PRINCESS AMY: Nothing.

PRINCE ADAM: Are you on Royal-Tube?

PRINCESS AMY: Yes. I love Royal-Tube. Where else could I go look at videos of kittens. Look at how cute.

PRINCE ADAM: Alright. So, sis... don't you think it's time for you to find yourself a husband? You know, instead of sitting here eating peas and looking at kitten videos?

PRINCESS AMY: Why should I? You think you know everything because you just got hitched?

PRINCE ADAM: I'm just saying. It might be a good thing for you. You could find someone to share your peas with.

PRINCESS AMY: First of all, I will never share my peas. That's out of the question. Second of all...

PRINCESS BRENDA: It is not correct grammar to say 'Second of all' you should say secondly.

PRINCESS AMY: Sure. (then with attitude) Second of all I don't need some boy telling me what to do.

PRINCE ADAM: I don't tell Brenda what to do.

PRINCESS BRENDA: Of course he doesn't. When we were on the isle of Hush-ush, Adam and I ...

PRINCESS AMY: Brenda, can you hush-ush-ush yourself... I'm talking to my brother. Adam, I don't want to get married.

PRINCE ADAM: You need to. You're my older sister. Since mom and dad are no longer around you need to run the kingdom. We need a Queen and you know the rules, you can't officially be the Queen until you are married.

PRINCESS AMY: I don't want to get married. Plus, how will I ever meet a boy?

PRINCE ADAM: Do what we did. We met on RoyalsOnly.com. Here let's make you a profile. (takes laptop and starts to type)

PRINCESS AMY: I don't think this is a good idea.

PRINCESS BRENDA: It's an ostentatious idea.

PRINCESS AMY: Really? With the big words!

PRINCE ADAM: Alright here we go. Name: Princess Amy. Your likes?

PRINCESS AMY: I like green.

PRINCESS BRENDA: Well, that's an understatement.

PRINCE ADAM: Alright, green. Your favorite book?

PRINCESS AMY: Green Eggs and Ham.

PRINCE ADAM: Describe a perfect date.

PRINCESS AMY: Well, I like Spring so, April 15th.

PRINCE ADAM: No, it means like where would you and your prince go the first time that you meet?

PRINCESS AMY: Oh, that kind of date. Umm... I don't know.

PRINCESS BRENDA: What about a nice stroll along water front while you listen to the birds twittering.

PRINCESS AMY: Brenda, can you close my door... with you on the outside of it?

PRINCESS BRENDA: Adam, tell her to be polite to me.

PRINCE ADAM: Amy, be nice. Next question: favorite food.

ALL THREE: Peas.

PRINCE ADAM: Last question: Favorite movie.

PRINCESS AMY: Green Lantern.

PRINCE ADAM: All done. Now you can search for an available prince.

PRINCESS AMY: I guess.

PRINCE ADAM: Come one Brenda, let's go and leave her to it.

PRINCESS BRENDA: We can look at all of our photos from our trip to Hush-ush.

PRINCE ADAM: We were just there, why do we need to look at the photos already?

PRINCESS BRENDA: Because you love me.

PRINCE ADAM: Oh yeah.

Adam and Brenda exit leaving Amy at her laptop. She is typing and clicking away.

PRINCESS AMY: (she clicks through profile after profile) No. No way. Eww. Not going to happen. Is that his mom in the background? (sound effect: ring – or even “You’ve Got Gold”) What’s that? Gold. Someone likes me? Let’s see his profile. Prince James. Likes jousting, blah blah blah, Book Harry Potter, now we’re talking. Favorite color: green. I think I’m in love. Oh, (reading)click here to send a message. Yes I will. (typing) Hello James, my name is Amy. (sound effect: bell) He wrote back already. (reading) Let’s meet. Woh, James so quick. (typing) Sure, where? (sound effect: bell) Hmmm (typing) I will meet you at your castle for dinner. (sound effect: bell) Oh! (typing) Me too. (closes laptop and looks up) I’ve got a date!

Amy closes the laptop. Stands and begins to get ready for her date adding green accessories to her already green dress. Eats a few more spoonfuls of peas and exits as we transition to ...



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