

Princess for a Day



Carly frowned as she watched the school bus drive away. Her brother, Jake, was leaving for school, but she would not be going because she was sick.

Today was a special day at school. They would be having a talent show, and she would miss it.

Someone knocked on her bedroom door. Mom came in.

"How's my princess?" Mom asked.

Carly shrugged. She didn't want to be grumpy to Mom.

"I have something exciting planned for today," Mom said as she pulled out a bag.

What could be inside? Carly opened the bag and gasped. Inside, she found a crown, a wand, and a princess book.

"You are my princess for today," Mom said. "Put on your crown, and keep your wand close!"

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Carly put on the shiny crown. She didn't feel so grumpy now.

She and Mom read the book about princesses. They pretended to make magic with the wand. They had a tea party and a parade with all of Carly's stuffed animals.

Soon, the school bus arrived again. Carly's brother, Jake, was home.

"Does this mean I'm not a princess anymore?" Carly asked.

Mom smiled. She had a twinkle in her eye. "The day isn't over yet!"

Mom and Jake did a funny performance for Carly. She clapped and laughed at their silly antics. Then they ate snacks and watched a movie together.

"I like being a princess," Carly said with a sigh.

Mom hugged Carly. "Don't worry," she said. "You are always my princess."

- Katie Clark

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1) Who is the story about?

2) Why doesn't Carly want to miss school?

3) How does Mom cheer Carly up?

4) What did Mom and Jake do together for Carly when Jake was back from school?

5) When was the last time you were grumpy, and someone cheered you up?
