

HANS: My Life in Fairy Tales

STORY AND ACTIVITY BOOK!



Who Am I?

Hans Christian Andersen was the most famous writer in Denmark. He lived over 150 years ago! And although it was so long ago, and he wrote in Danish, his stories are still read by children all over the world today!



Hans was a strange child, an “ugly duckling” who felt he did not fit in with his parents. His father was a cobbler, and his mother a washerwoman. Hans used his imagination to dream up faraway places and stories.

In his 20's, he travelled and wrote about travelling. At 30 years old he published his first book of fairy tales, *Fairy Tales Told for Children*. At first, he got bad reviews because grown-ups didn't like how he talked directly to kids instead of bossing them around. But that's why children loved the stories, and why we still love them today!

**The stories he wrote that are in the play
“HANS: My Life In Fairy Tales” are:**

The Ugly Duckling
The Princess and the Pea
The Nightingale
The Little Match Girl
The Emperor's New Clothes
The Little Mermaid

**as well as his own life story,
“The Story Of My Life”!**

You are the artist!

HANS CHRISTIAN ANDERSEN

Use crayons or pencil crayons or markers to bring him to life!



Fill In The Blanks

Write the 10 words in the correct spaces!

_____ Christian Andersen

"The _____ Duckling"

A _____ is someone who mends shoes.

"The Princess And The _____"

The _____ is a singing bird.

"The Little _____ Girl"

"The _____ Mermaid"

A mermaid is a human with the tail of a _____.

The Emperor's _____ Clothes

If something is _____ it means you can't see it.

Bed time _____

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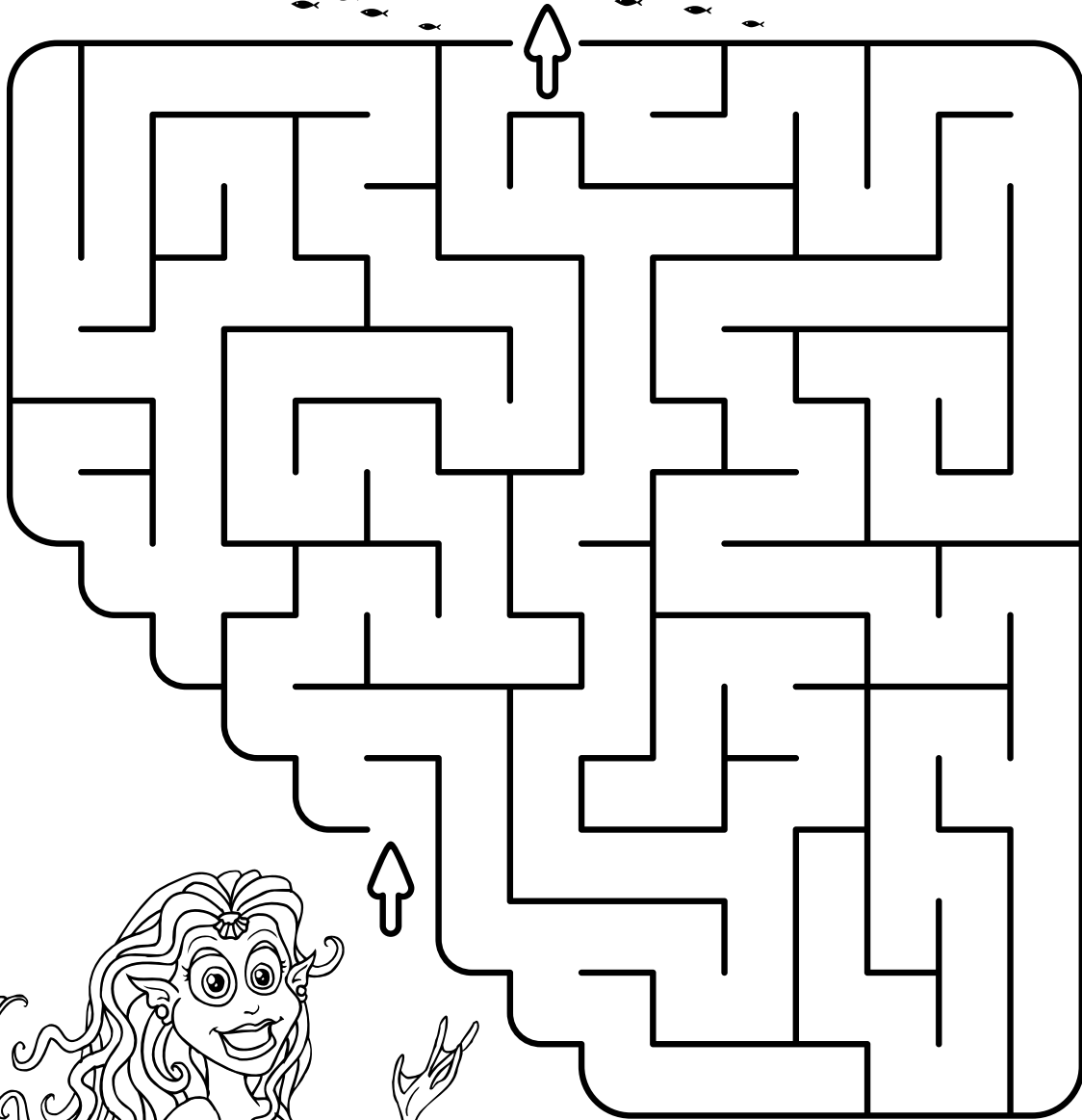
INVISIBLE NEW STORY
NIGHTINGALE HANS FISH
COBBLER PEA UGLY
LITTLE MATCH

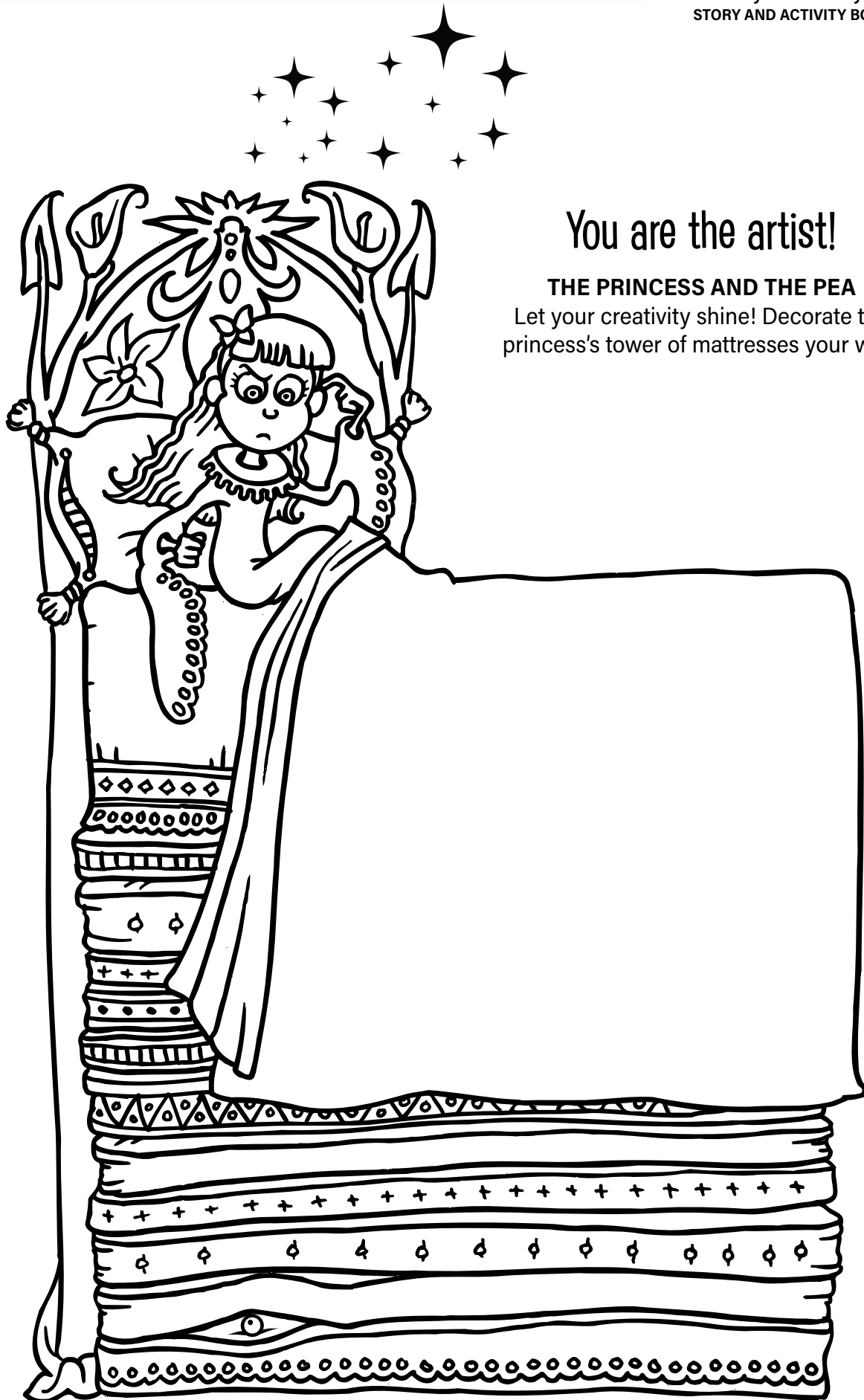
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A-maze-ing!

Help The Little Mermaid find her way to land!





You are the artist!

THE PRINCESS AND THE PEA

Let your creativity shine! Decorate the princess's tower of mattresses your way!

World of Words!

A story writer needs words – can you find all of Hans's words in the jumble?

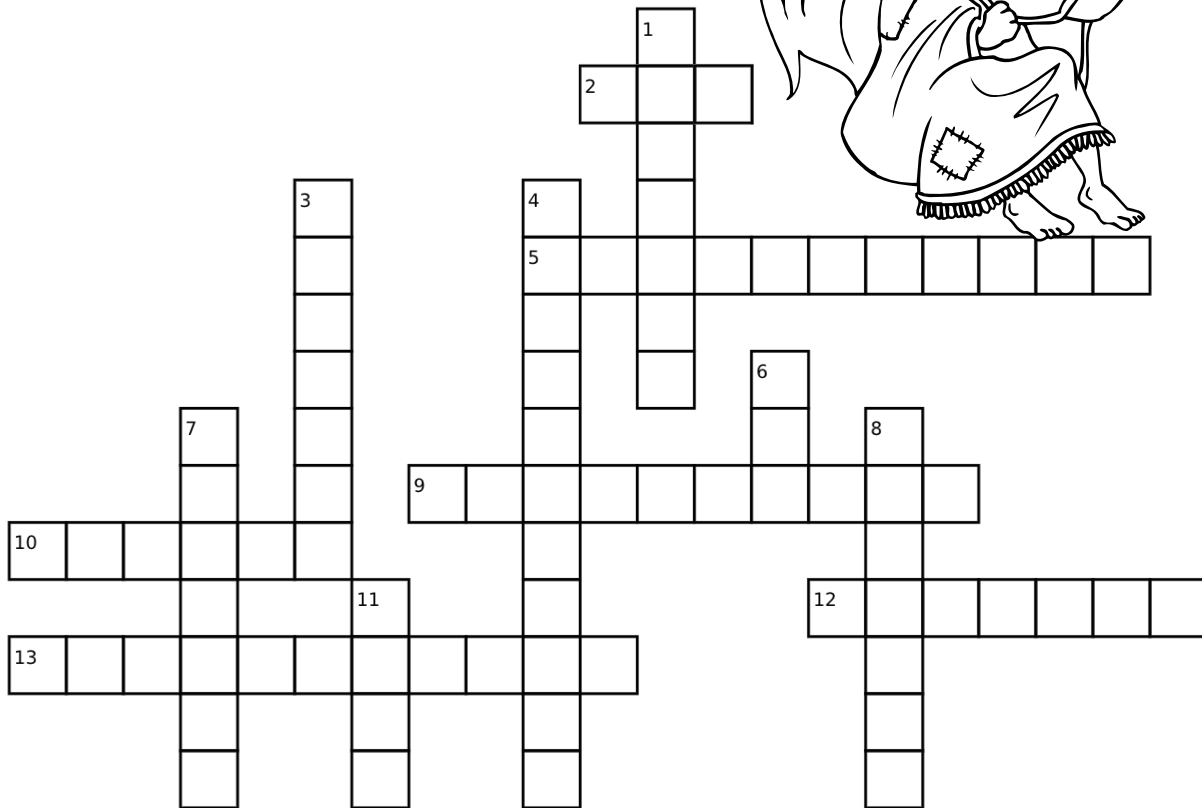
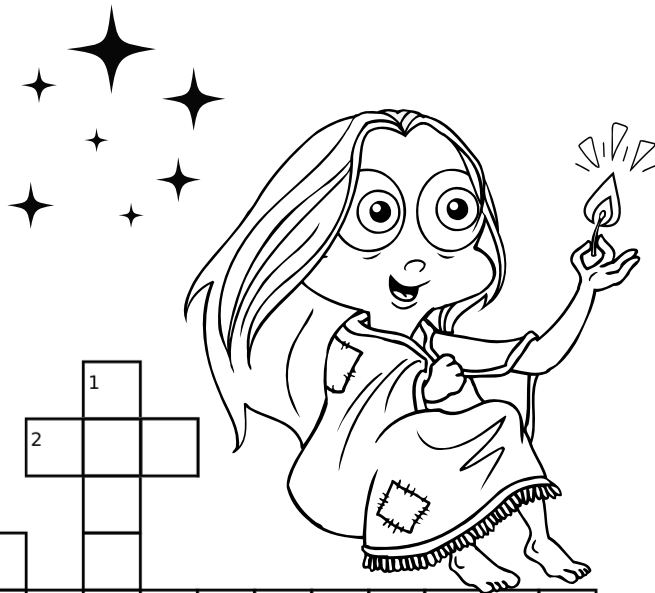
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WORD LIST:

BIRD	PHOTOGRAPH	WINDOW
CLOTHES	SCISSORS	PALACE
COBBLER	PAPER	EMPEROR
CROWN	QUILL	WITCH
MATTRESS	TEACHER	PRINCE
PRINCESS	NIGHTINGALE	PRINCESS
PEA	KING	MERMAID
DUCKLING	GLOBE	SHIP
SWAN	BOOK	WONDERFUL



Crossword puzzle



DOWN:

1. The country where Andersen was born.
3. Hans Christian Andersen's father worked as a ____.
4. The bird that sings for the emperor.
6. The Little Mermaid lives under the ____.
7. These light up in The Little Match Girl.
8. What do you call a girl who lives in the sea and has a tail?
11. The animal the Ugly Duckling turns into.

ACROSS:

2. A classic tale: "The Princess and the ____".
5. Hans used this to dream up stories and places.
9. Hans Christian Andersen wrote many ____, which are magical and imaginative tales.
10. Hans Christian Andersen's job.
12. The royal person tricked by invisible clothes.
13. Hans's mother washed clothes for a living. She was a ____.

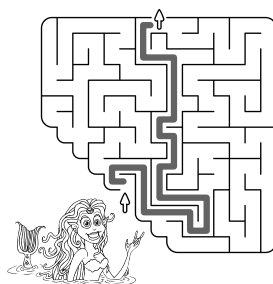


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Answers:

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 "The Princess And The **PEA**"
 The **NIGHTINGALE** is a singing bird.
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