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Characters

KING HENRY
VIII

Rich robes

PRINCESS
ELIZABETH

A pretty
dress

LORD
HERTFORD

Rich robes

EDWARD
TUDOR,
THE PRINCE
of WALES

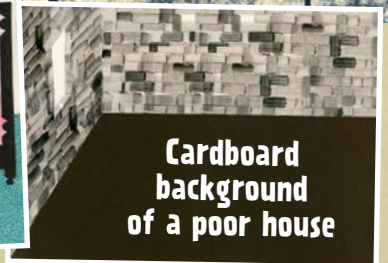
Rich robes



Scenery



Cardboard background
of the palace



Cardboard
background
of a poor house

**TOM
CANTY**

Old clothes
or tunic

**TOM'S
MOTHER**

Old clothes

**JOHN
CANTY**

Old clothes

**MILES
HENDON**

A jacket
and trousers

GUARD

A uniform



An old
bag

A cardboard
Royal Seal



A cardboard
crown





► 2 Act one • Two boys

NARRATOR. This is the story of a prince and a pauper.

A pauper is a poor person.

One day in London, two boys are born.

One boy is Tom Canty. His family is poor.

The other boy is Edward Tudor. His family is rich.

Edward is the Prince of Wales. His father is Henry VIII,
the King of England.

NARRATOR. Many years later...

TOM [*enters stage.*] My name's Tom Canty. I live in
London. The streets are dirty and smelly. I'm a beggar.
I must ask people for money.



JOHN CANTY. Well Tom, Where's the money?

TOM CANTY [*showing him his empty hands.*] I'm sorry father,
I haven't got any money.

JOHN CANTY. What? No money? Go to bed now. No dinner
for you!

NARRATOR. Poor Tom lies down on the cold, hard floor.

TOM'S MOTHER [*giving Tom a piece of bread.*] Here Tom.
Have some bread.

NARRATOR. Tom's mother loves him very much. Tom falls
asleep. He dreams about a different life.



NARRATOR. Then, there is Prince Edward. He lives in a beautiful palace and has got everything!

PRINCE EDWARD. My name's Edward. I'm a prince.

My servants bring me food and drink. I've got beautiful clothes and a big bed!



NARRATOR. The next day Tom walks
and walks. He begs for money.
He's hungry.

TOM [*to a man in the street.*] Please, give
me some money, sir.

NARRATOR. Tom walks and walks. Soon
he's far from his home. He's outside
a great palace. It's Westminster, the
King's palace!

TOM. Maybe I'll see the prince!



Activity Pages



1 Write the name of the character below the pictures.

Miles Hendon • guard • Mrs Canty •
Princess Elizabeth • Edward Tudor • Tom Canty •
Lord Hertford • King Henry VIII • John Canty



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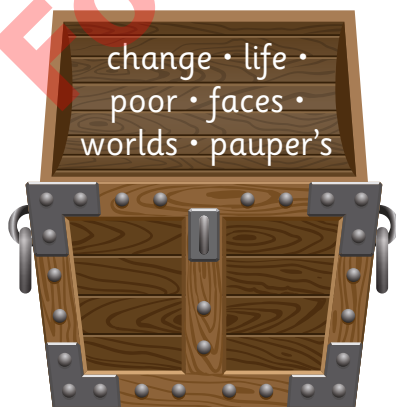


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2 Now read these sentences and write the name of the character next to the person who says or thinks this.

- 1 I live in London. _____
- 2 What? No money? Go to bed now. _____
- 3 Here, Tom. Have some bread. _____
- 4 Hey, go away, beggar! _____
- 5 Would you like to see the palace? _____
- 6 You're very funny, little brother! _____
- 7 Don't be scared. I'm your father. _____
- 8 You don't look like a prince.
But you're a brave boy. _____
- 9 I have a question for you.
Only the king knows the answer. _____

3 Choose the words to complete the song.



A prince's _____ ,
a _____ life
Two _____
Rich and _____
Two little _____
Let's _____ places!