



On her sixteenth birthday, the princess found an old woman spinning in one of the castle rooms. She had never seen a spinning wheel before and wanted to spin but she pricked her finger and fell into a deep, deep sleep. The curse had come true! The old woman laughed and disappeared. The king and queen found the princess and put her to bed. But soon everyone else in the castle fell fast asleep too.



The kind sixth fairy used her magic to soften the curse. "The princess will not die but she will fall into a deep sleep for a hundred years," she said.

The king and queen banned all spinning wheels from their kingdom and hoped that the curse would never come true.



One hundred years passed and a large forest grew around the castle. Then, one day, a handsome prince came to the forest. A pathway magically opened in front of him, leading him to the princess. When he found the princess he thought she was so beautiful that he kissed her. The spell was broken and the whole castle woke up. The prince and princess lived happily ever after.



Once upon a time there was a king and a queen who wanted a baby. When the queen gave birth to a daughter they were very happy. They threw a party in the castle to celebrate. Six good fairies came to the party. They gave the princess presents of beauty, happiness, goodness, grace and wealth. Before the sixth fairy could give her present a wicked fairy burst into the party. The fairy was so angry she had not been invited that she cursed the baby. "On her sixteenth birthday, the princess will prick her finger on a needle from a spinning wheel and die!" she screamed.

