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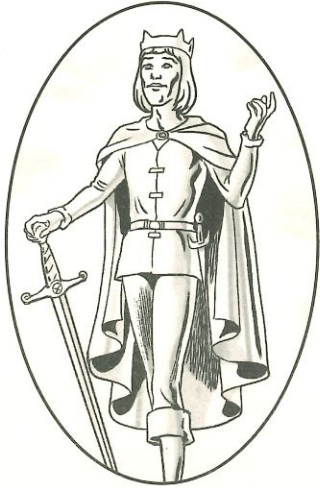
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People in the story



the Happy Prince



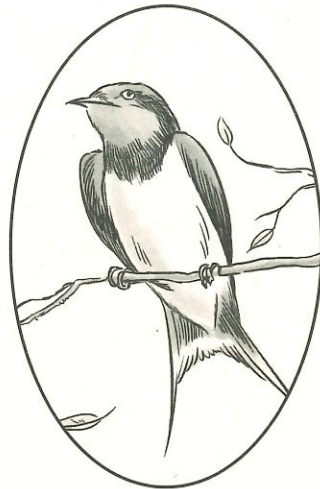
the Mayor



the poor woman



the young man



the Swallow



the flower girl

New words



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to cry



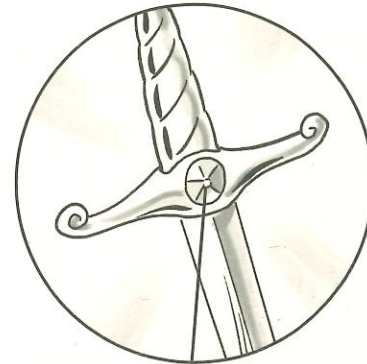
to die



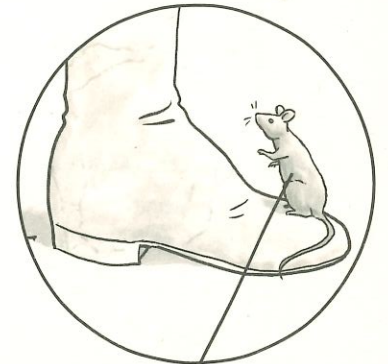
gold



ill



jewel



little



poor



princess



statue

Before-reading questions

- 1 Look at the cover of the book. What is the story about, do you think?
- 2 Look at the "People in the story" on pages 8 and 9. Answer the questions in your notebook.
 - a What is the bird's name?
 - b Who has a lot of money, do you think?
 - c Some people do *not* have a lot of money. Who are they?
- 3 Is this a happy story or a sad story, do you think?
- 4 What can you see in this picture?
Answer these questions.



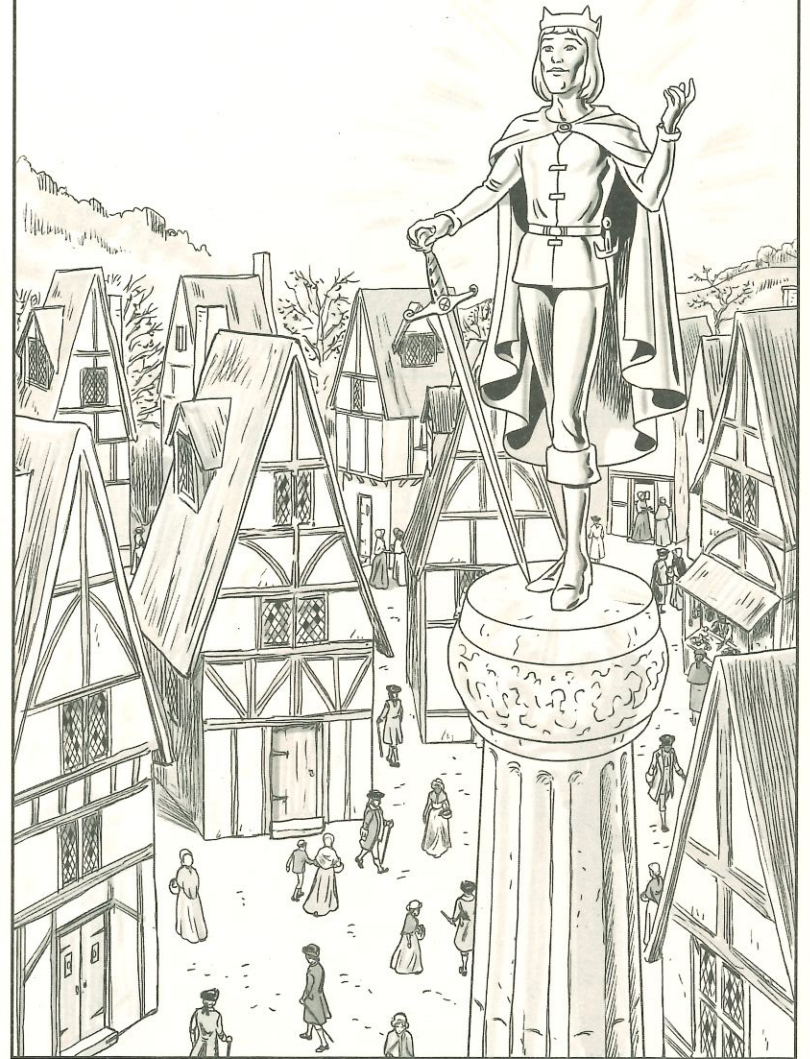
- a What is the name of the statue?
- b Is the statue happy? How do you know?
- c What things can you see in the picture?

Picture definitions of words in **bold** can be found on pages 10–11.

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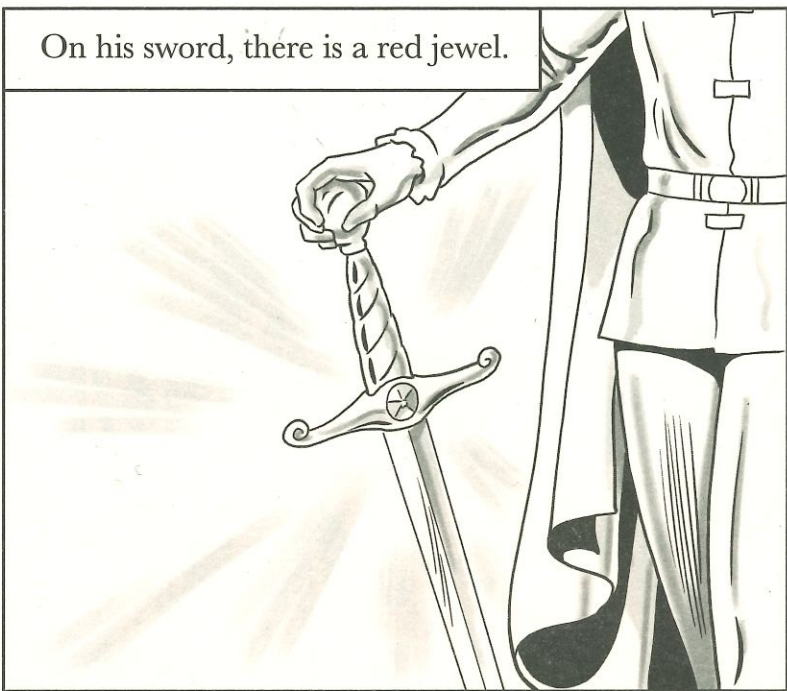
In a town, on a big column, there is a **statue** of the Happy Prince.



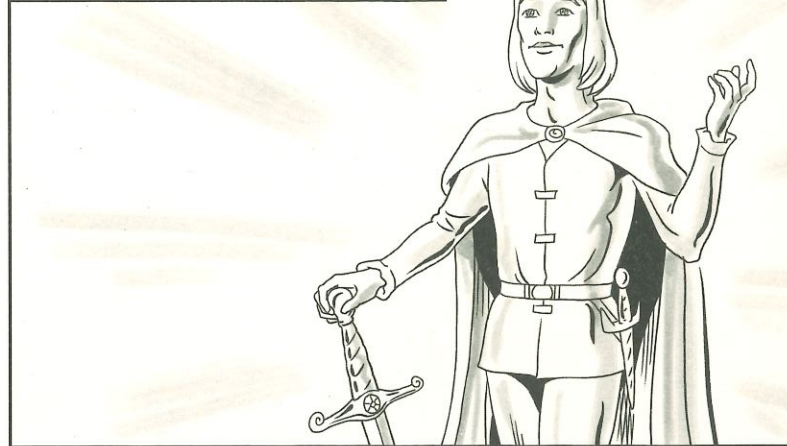
The Prince's eyes are blue **jewels**.



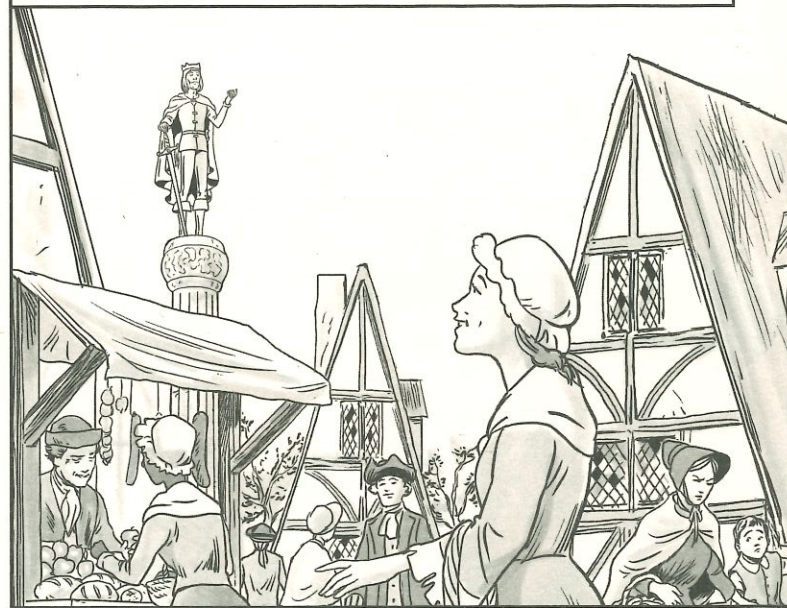
On his sword, there is a red **jewel**.

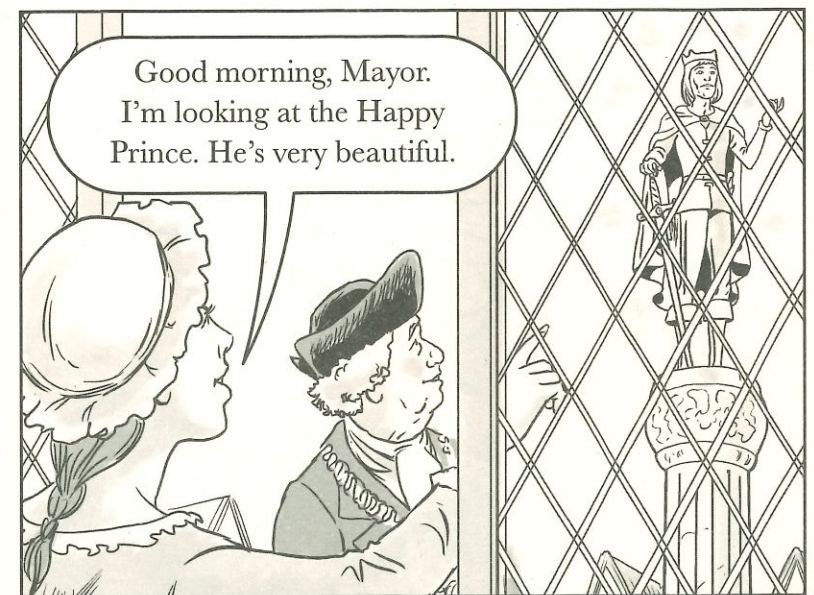
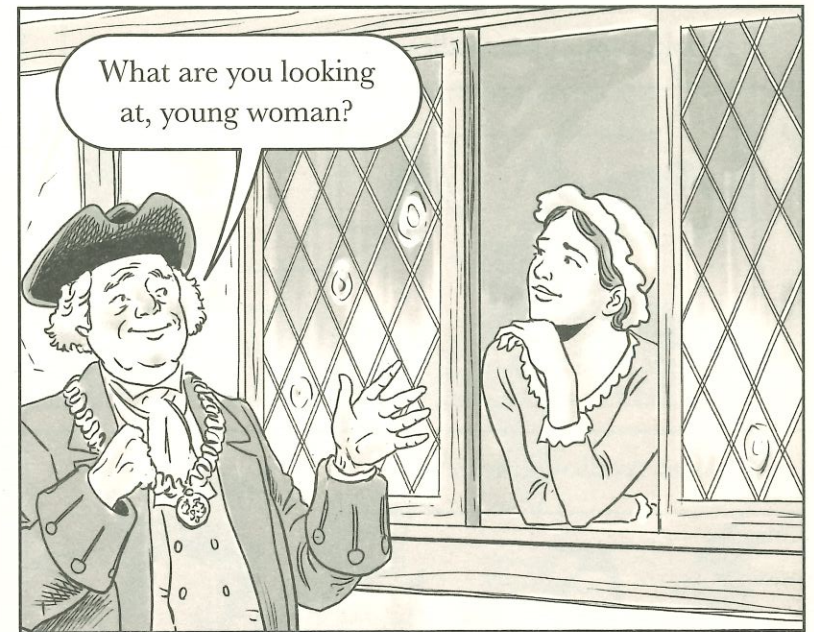
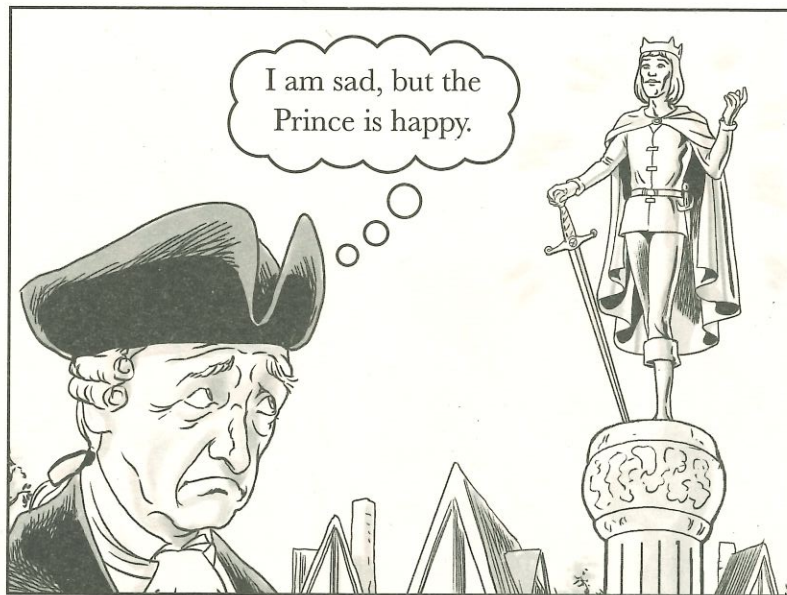
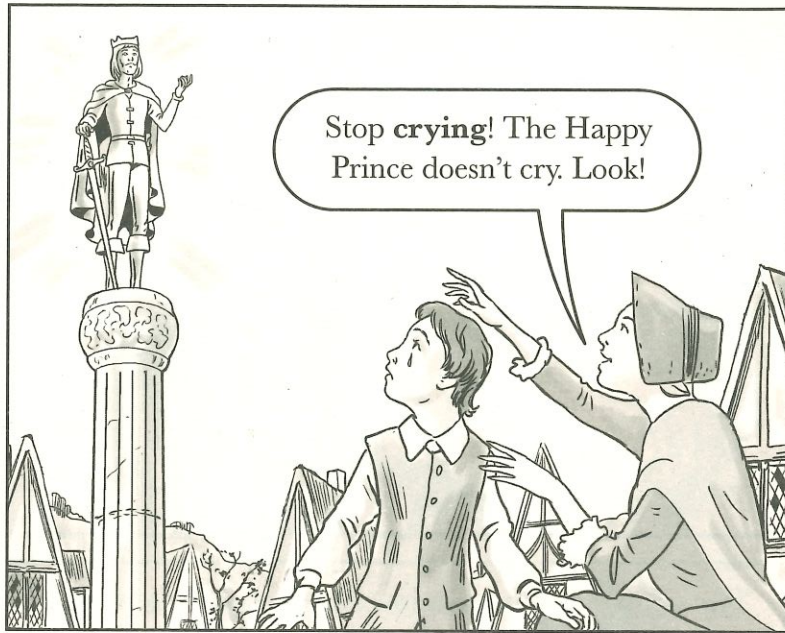


On his body, there is **gold**.



The people in the town love the Happy Prince.

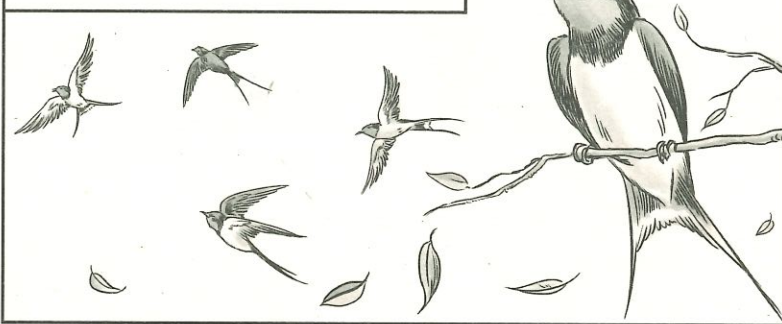




It is cold now. The swallows are going to Africa.



But one swallow doesn't go.

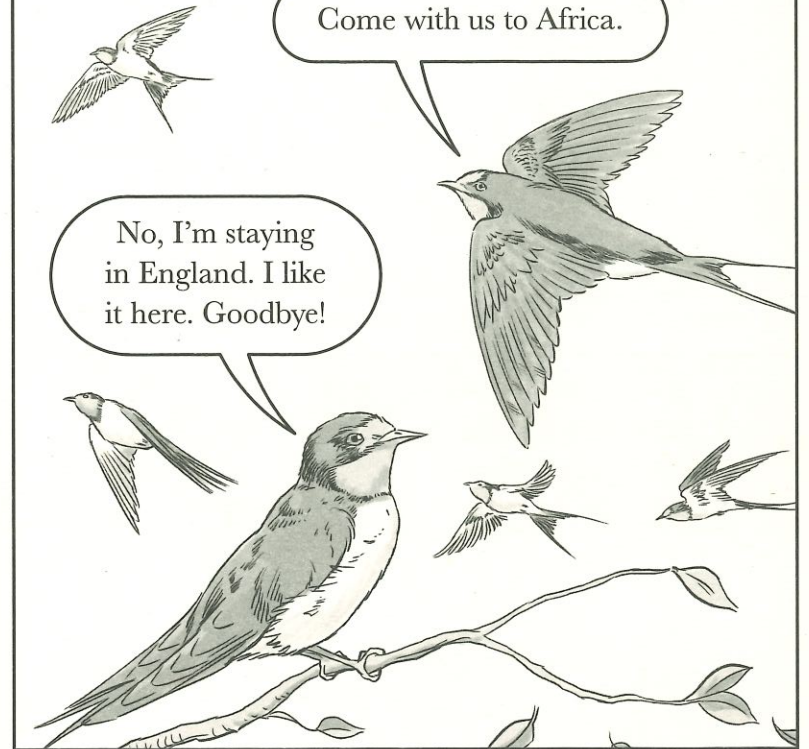


England is very beautiful!



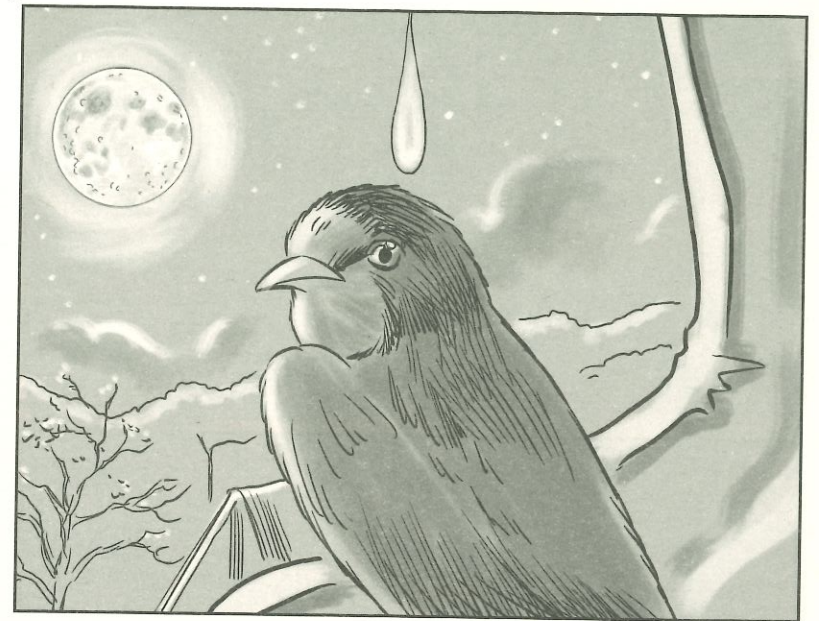
Come with us to Africa.

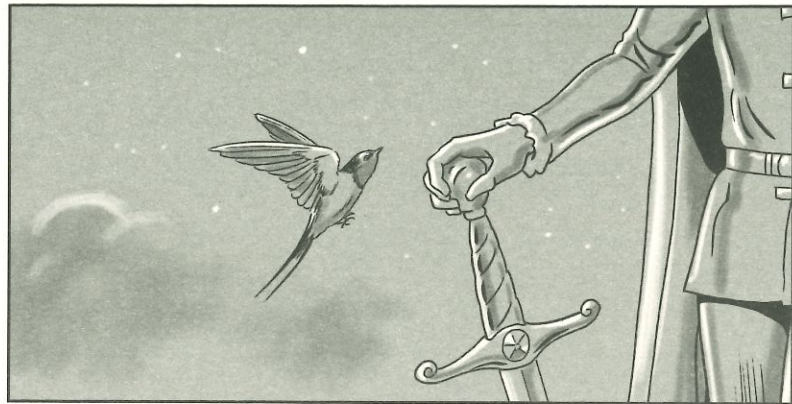
No, I'm staying
in England. I like
it here. Goodbye!

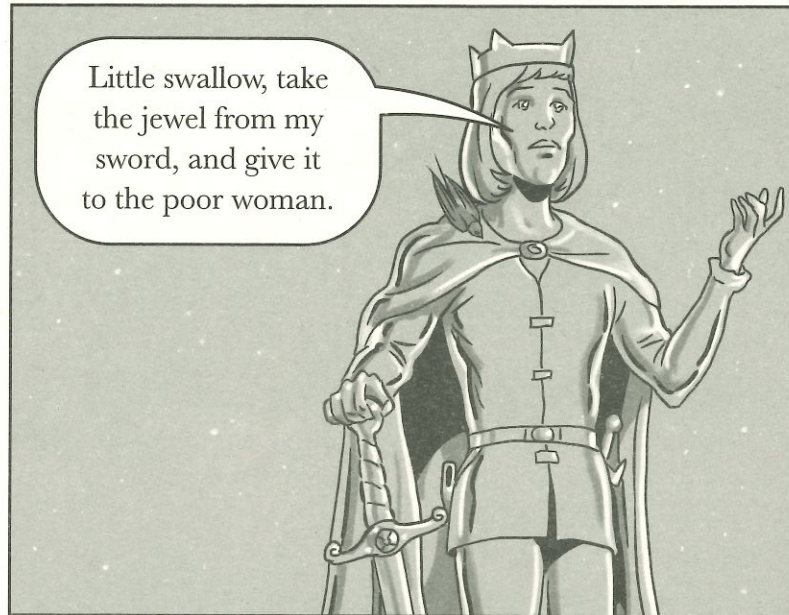


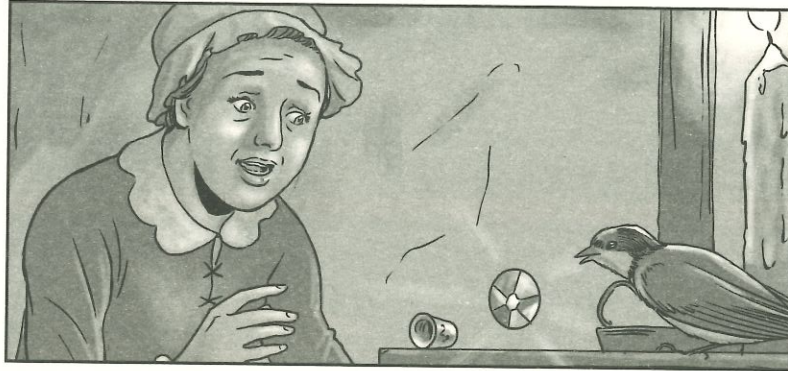
Where can I live?





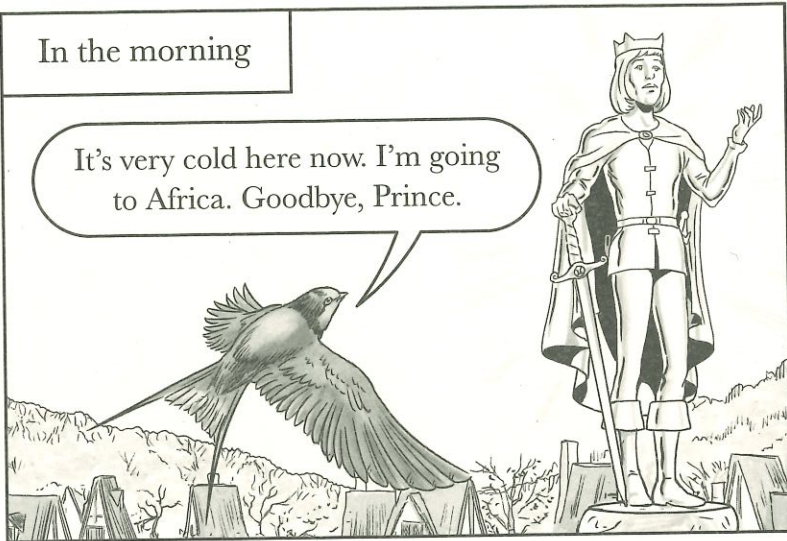




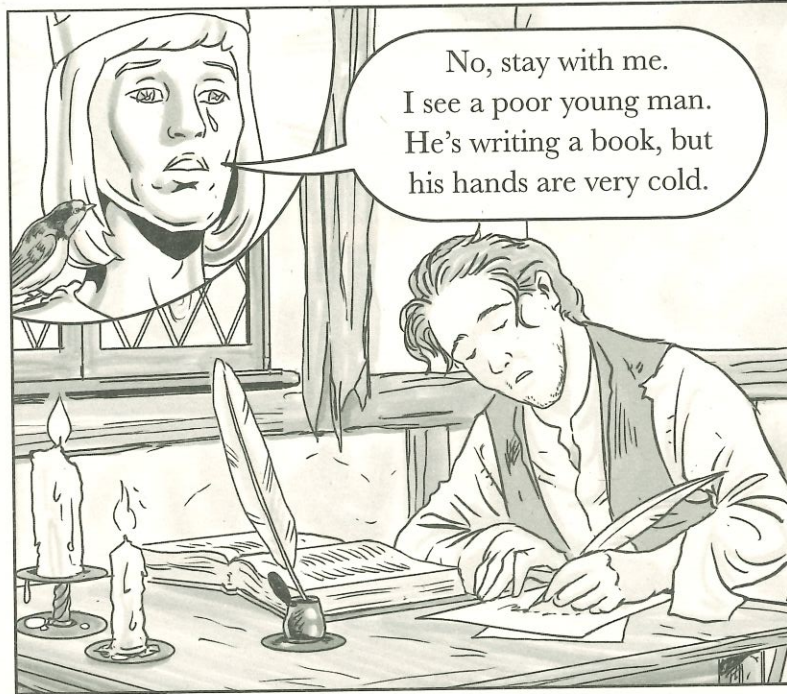


In the morning

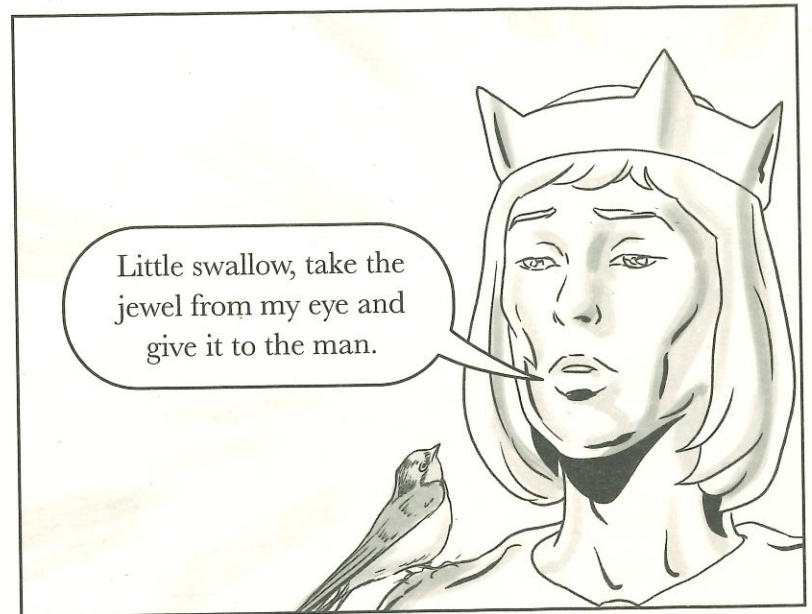
It's very cold here now. I'm going to Africa. Goodbye, Prince.



No, stay with me. I see a poor young man. He's writing a book, but his hands are very cold.



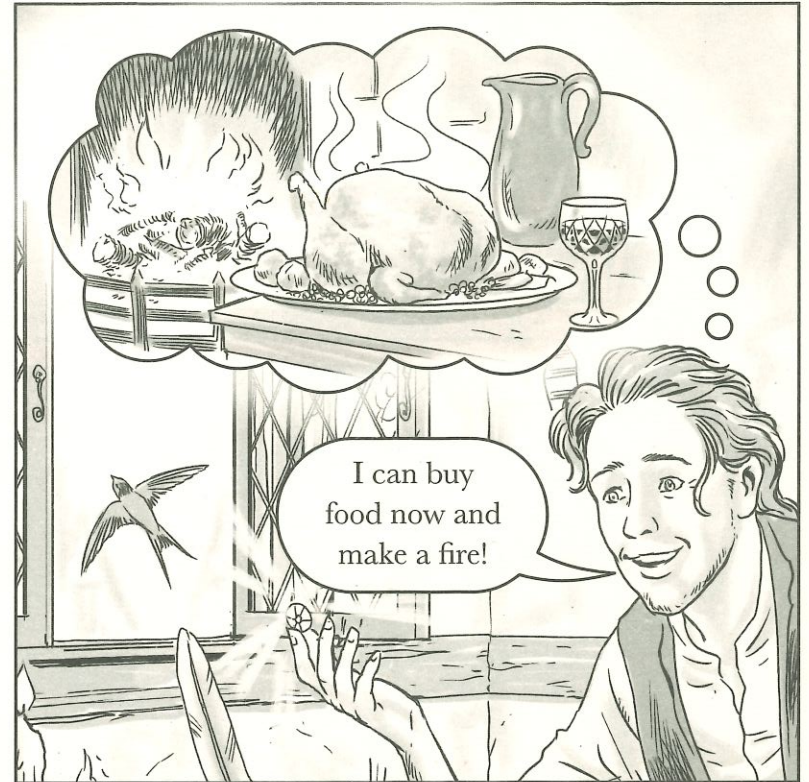
Little swallow, take the jewel from my eye and give it to the man.

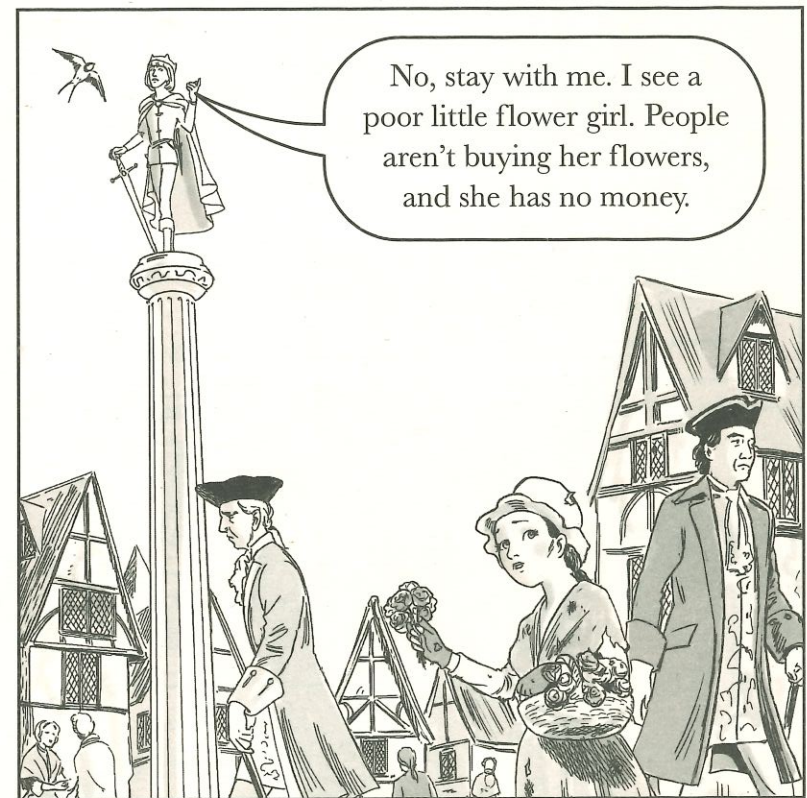
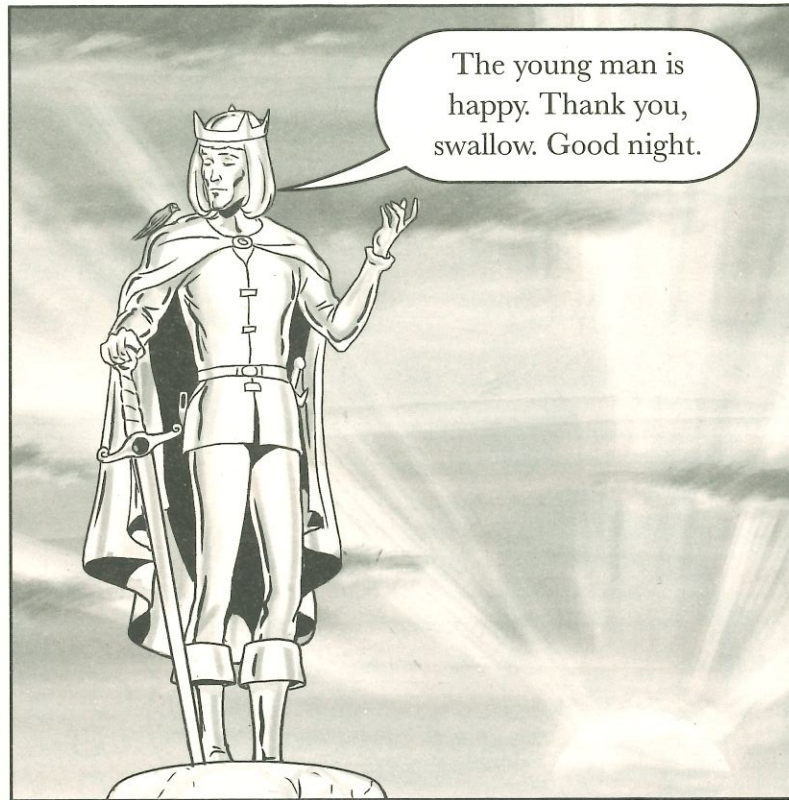


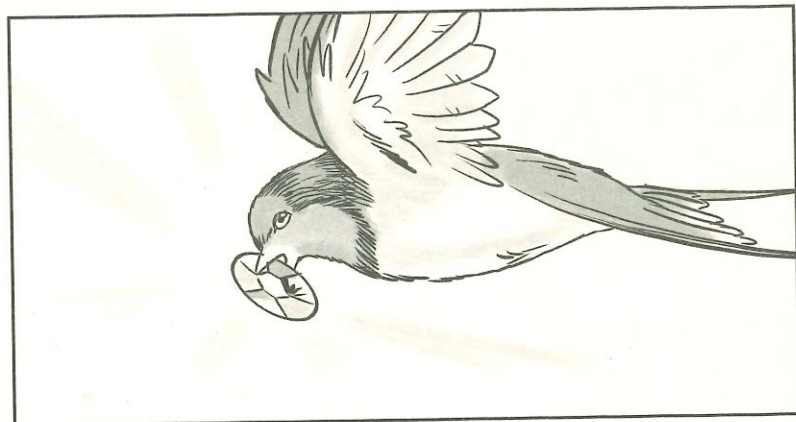
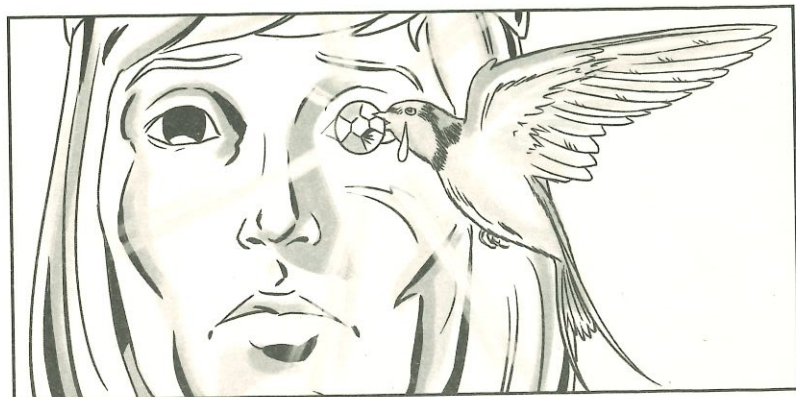
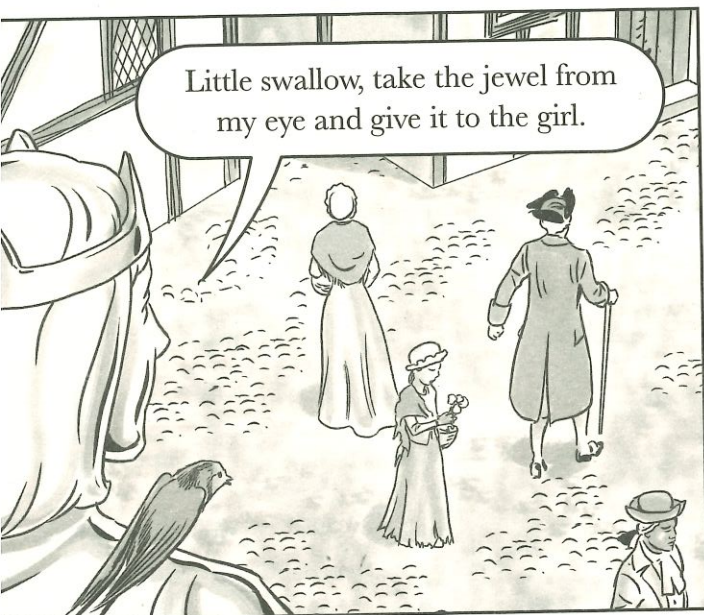
I can't do that! I can't take your eye!

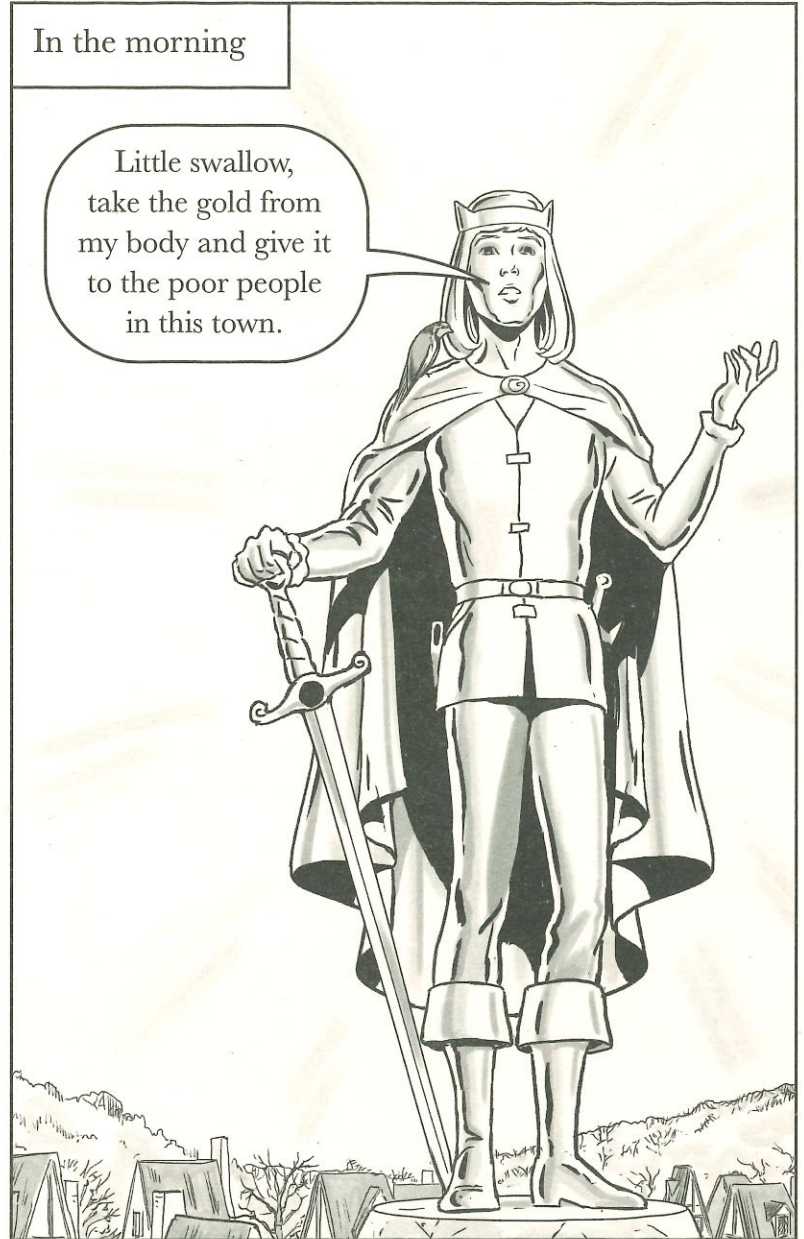
Do it, please!



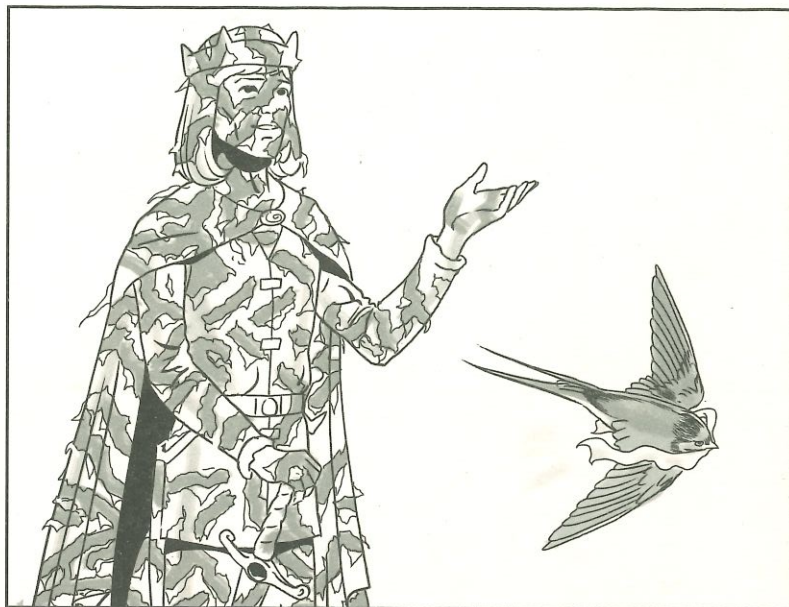
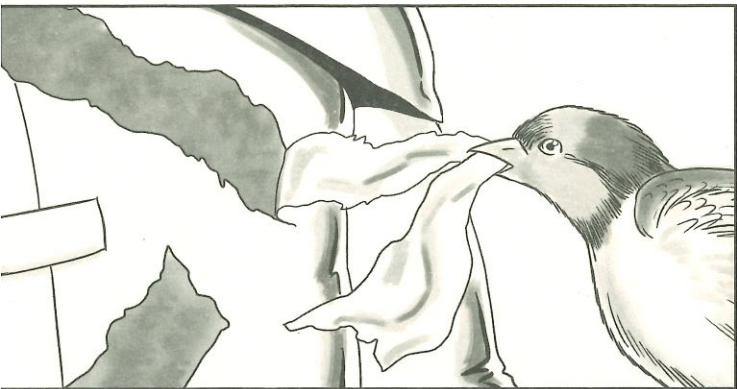




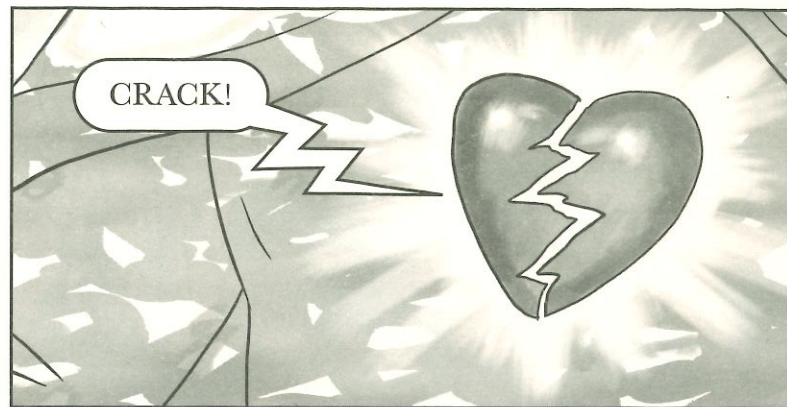




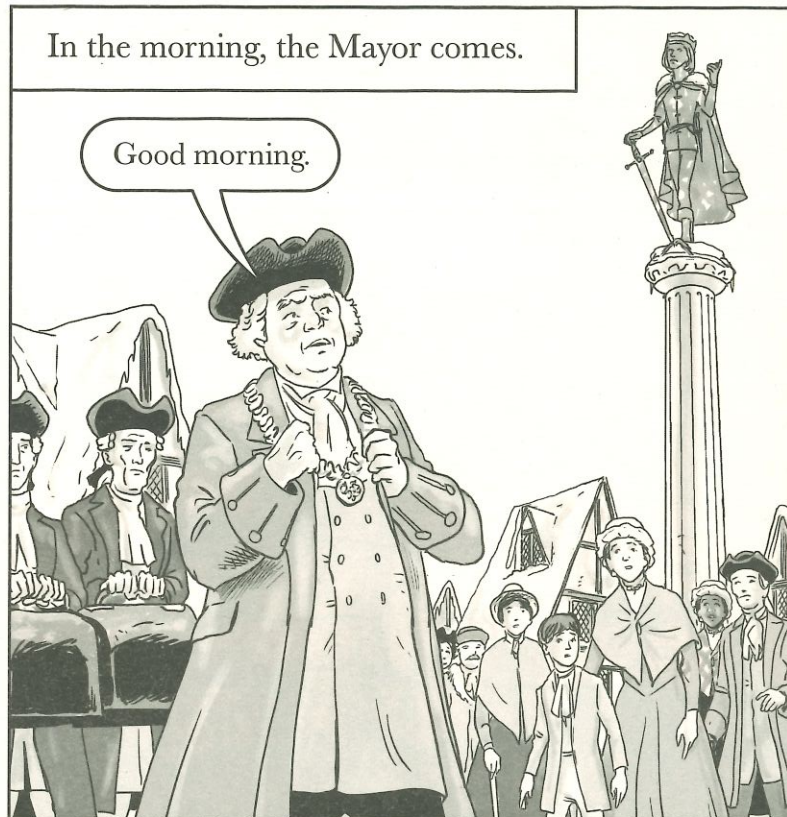


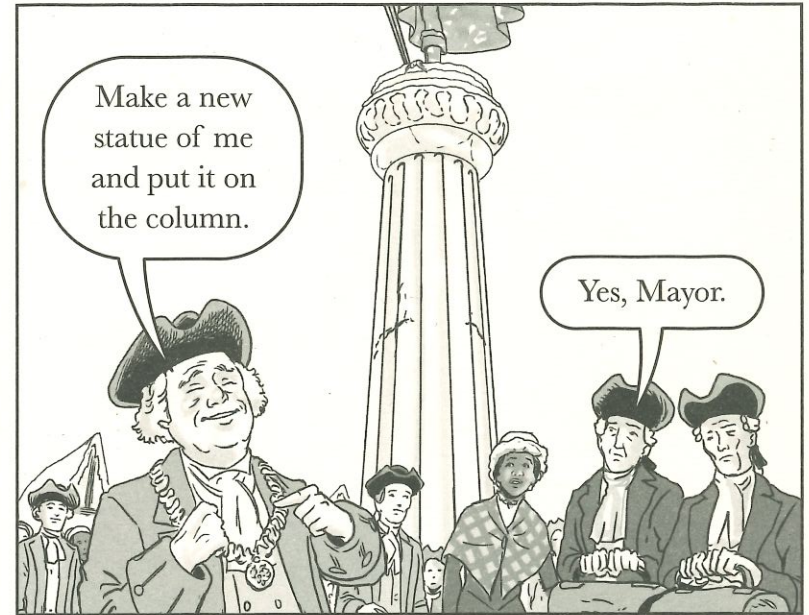
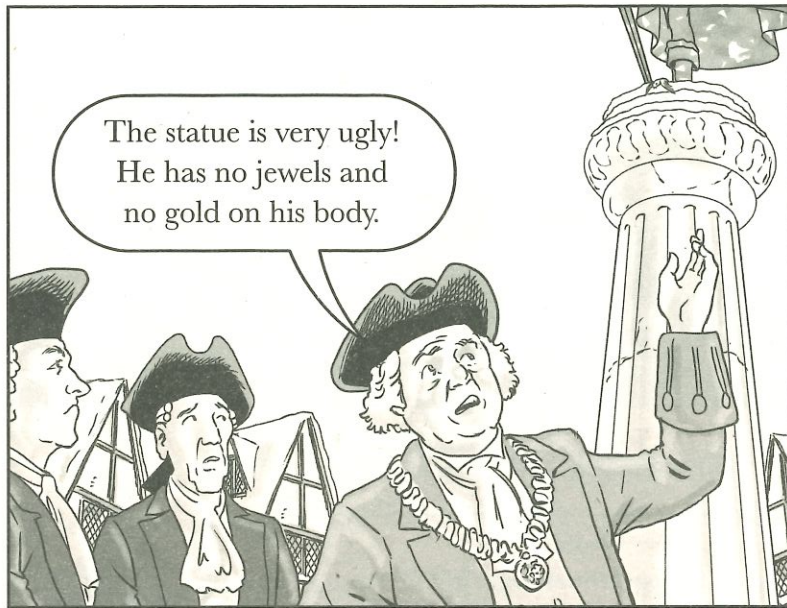






In the morning, the Mayor comes.







The Happy Prince is with his swallow again.

