

NAPPING BEAUTY

(Adaption of Sleeping Beauty)

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Even before she found herself singing to blueberries, Borealis was having a strange life. King Joe and Queen Suzie had a child named Borealis. When she was born, the King and Queen decided to have a party and invited the three good fairies, One, Two, and Roberta. When they arrived at the Great Hall, the crowd oohed and awed. They approached the baby. **“I shall give young Borealis the gift of courage”** One said. **“I shall give her Beauty and Brains”** Two said. But before Roberta could announce her five-dollar Target gift card, a terrible amount of blackish green smoke filled the air. The King panicked, and rushed to cover the baby, but someone had beat him to it. When the smoke cleared, another fairy stood there.

Her skin was white as snow, her lips were red as blood, her eyes shone with evil, and she had two massive horns on the top of her head. Dramatic organ music filled the Great hall. The King glared at the castle organist, who immediately stopped playing the song and muttered his apology. The strange woman smiled cruelly at the King. **“I’m Melissa-lint, here to**



crash your party.” Some of the crowd snickered at the strange lady’s name. The fairy turned her staff to them, and they got turned into carrots, which was very odd, as some people felt. The King stepped forward. **“What do you want?”** He snarled. **“Why, I’m just here to give the baby MY present, even though I never got invited to this wonderful party,”** she said with a slight frown. Then, she started waving her staff around, and started talking in an evil voice. **“On Borealis’s sixteenth birthday, she shall prick her finger on a spinning wheel, and get turned into a carrot that I will put into a carrot cake!”** With that, the wicked fairy cackled evilly, which was ruined by her coughing; she muttered something about a sore throat and disappeared into a cloud of smoke.

The King and Queen started weeping, but Roberta stepped forward. **“Since I haven’t given my gift, I shall change it from a Target girl card (was that too**



little?) to when she gets turned into a carrot cake, it will be a very nice carrot cake.” The Queen was about to protest, but the fairies were gone in the blink of an eye.



By the time Borealis turned three, a couple of laws were made in the Kingdom: No spinning wheels, and no carrots allowed. In what seemed like a blink of an eye, Borealis was fifteen. The King and

Queen hid Borealis away with the three fairies in a small cottage in the woods, in hope that they could protect her from the evil curse the wicked fairy had placed on her.

Meanwhile, Melissa-lint was furious! It had been years and her servants still hadn't found where those lousy fairies were keeping the princess. So, she sent her beloved pet crow, Twinkle, to find the princess.

It was now Borealis' sixteenth Birthday. In what was clearly a bad judgement call, the fairies sent Borealis off into the woods alone while they prepared her surprise party. So off Borealis went, singing to blueberries and picking the birds. As her mind started to wander, she thought, ***"I'm an innocent young girl, skipping merrily through the woods all alone. Is this too cliché?"***

Things were going badly back at the cottage. The birthday cake was a disaster, and the fairies had no idea how to sync iTunes for Borealis' surprise iPhone from her parents. Roberta thought out loud, **"Why don't we use our magical hair spray to make the cake and figure out this annoying program?"** "Well, I mean, it kind of makes sense." One said. But Two was furious, **"Nothing about iTunes makes sense. And you know we can't use our magic! The evil fairy might find us!"** In anger she sprayed orange icing all over One's green dress. One gasped, **"How dare you? This dress is made from the finest silk!"** She shot Two an evil look. Then she turned around and sprayed red icing all over Roberta's blue dress. **"If it wasn't for you telling us your idea, my dress would be spotless!"** She added with

disgust. Roberta looked like she might blow with anger. Then, before anyone realized what she was doing, she ran over to where they kept the magical hair spray, and sprayed One with it, turning her once beautiful red dress yellow. **“Who do you think you are, telling us what to do all the time?”** She snapped. Then soon enough, they all had their hair spray out, spraying each other all about. What they didn’t know was that Melissa-lint’s crow, Twinkle, was flying above, searching. Some of the magic escaped through the door, and Twinkle texted Melissa-lint their location. Then, Twinkle hacked into the fairy’s webcam (demonstrating above-normal intelligence for a crow), and heard them say, **“After the magic escaped, it’s probably better to move back to the castle.”** Soon after, Melissa-lint was heading to the castle, waiting for the soon-to-be-carrot-cake-princess.

As Borealis skipped through the woods, she caught the eye of young Prince Bob. As he searched the woods for the maiden with the beautiful voice, he soon came to a clearing, and there Borealis stood. He could barely



shovel his jaw off the ground, she was so beautiful! Before Borealis realized it, the Prince was right next to her, tapping her on the shoulder. She spun around, and the prince said **“Fair maiden, I have been taken away by your beauty! We shall be married in the morning!”** She recoiled in disgust before saying **“Dude, I’m sixteen. Also, how about a name first?”** Bob blushed before saying **“I’m Prince**

Bob. How about I swing by your house in the evening?” “Ummm, sorry, I, er, got to go do homework!” And with that, she left before the Prince could call after her.

As she got to the cottage door, Borealis took a deep breath, then opened the door. She was surprised when she was greeted by a birthday cake! The three fairies smiled brightly at her, but then the fairies told her, **“Listen Borealis, living here has been amazing, but the magic went through the door, and who knows who was watching, so we must return to the castle.”**

Soon, they were all packed up and on their way. As soon as Borealis was home, her parents were so glad to see her, they gave her a pet dragon, Penny! She thanked them, then went up to her room to set up her iPhone. But as she opened it, she cut her finger on the edge of the box! After she set it up (which was super-easy with iTunes), she decided to take a power nap.



She awoke to the sound of a dragon. To be more precise, her pet dragon Penny. She quickly got dressed and made her way outside. Sure enough, there was Penny. And there was Prince Bob, fighting HER dragon! ***Oh no! He must think that's Melissa-lint!*** But beside her dragon, there was a tinny rabbit, cackling evilly. ***Of course, the evil fairy's a bunny, because that makes sense,*** she thought sarcastically.

The prince threw his sword at her dragon! It bounced off Penny's thick hide like a harmless toothpick. Penny started laughing so hard she fell off the random cliff that seemed to appear there.

That's it, Borealis thought. She marched over to the bunny. **“Okay, listen here lady. You’ve cursed me as a baby, you’ve stalked me, you’ve turned into an evil bunny, AND you’ve woken me from a nap! SO, I’d appreciate it if you’d GO AWAY!”** Melissa-lint dropped her head in shame, muttered something about a bad childhood, and

hopped away. Then, when the Prince leaned in for a kiss, she slapped him on the face and later joined a dating website.



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