

The Princess and the Veggies by Jessica A.
An Adaptation of *The Princess and the Pea*

Once there was a fine maiden named Bonita. She was everyone's favorite gal. Her parents were very proud of her except, she did not eat her veggies. Ever since her nursery days, she hated vegetables. Peas? Bleh! Kale? Yuck! Carrots? Barf! Broccoli? Disgusting! Fuss after fuss until one day, Bonita went on an expedition to another country. She loved it! She loved the people, the food, the culture, the nature, and many things too great to be mentioned. She went mountain biking one day. She was enjoying herself very much until it started to rain. "Drat!" Bonita said. "I need to find a shelter!" So Bonita rode her bike down to the fields and saw the castle! "Hey maybe they have some kind people who will take me in." So Bonita knocked on the great castle door. *Knock, knock, knock.* Then suddenly an old lady opened the door.

"Hello," she said. "I am Queen Helen. You are soaking wet and covered in mud and branches. Come in dear!" When Bonita stepped into the castle she felt welcome. "You know," said the queen. "I think you are just what Henry needs. Every maiden here tries to marry him but fails to succeed." Bonita paid no mind to her. She took a shower and explored the castle. Queen Helen's castle had lots of things. Indoor roller coasters, a fidget spinner gallery, and indoor pool with epic waterslides, a gaming room, tons of flat screen TVs and things that anyone could only dream of. Bonita met Prince Henry. They became good friends. Bonita was happy until dinner was served. They were eating veggies! While the queen and prince ate merrily, Bonita dumped most her vegetables away and faked being full. "Yum! I can't eat another bite!" she said and went to bed thinking about eating chips on her couch at home.

Little did Bonita know, Queen Helen snuck Bonita's veggies under her pillow. When she tried to sleep Bonita had a lump of veggie hitting her head. Eventually, a hungry and restless Bonita ate the vegetables. They tasted horrible just like she expected but Bonita finally slept.

The next morning, Bonita woke up refreshed and healthy. Prince Henry asked to inspect her room. "Why?" Bonita asked "Safety reasons." When Prince Henry finished he asked Bonita to marry her. "What? You people force me to eat vegetables and all I get is a marriage proposal? I want my own castle and to be queen of my country!" Disappointed, Henry gave Bonita her castle and crowned

her Queen of her country. And Bonita lived happily ever after and ate her veggies, sometimes.

THE END!

EAT YOUR VEGGIES!

