

**THE FROG PRINCE**

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## ESCENA 1 - THE WIZARD'S SPELL

Audio de música de inicio.

Aparece un personaje con una caja de palomitas. Vemos como habla con alguien. Se está comportando como un mal amigo y está siendo muy maleducado.

BOB

No! It's my popcorn! All mine! Not yours!  
I don't want to share! Sharing is boring!  
You can't have any. Zero. None. Nothing!

You're not my friend.

I don't need friends.

Friends are slow... and noisy... and take your things with you.

I like to play alone. Alone is better!

Just me and my popcorn. Mmm! Yum-yum-yum!

See? I'm happy! So happy!

No friends, no problems!

Just me... and... my popcorn.

De golpe se escucha un sonido mágico. Busca un lugar para esconderse. Después de probar en un par de sitios, acaba entrando en un escondite dentro de un lago. El brujo hace un par de trucos de magia mientras lo busca.

WIZARD

(de incógnito)

Hi, Bob™ Can I have some popcorn, please?  
I'm hungry.

BOB

No, it's all mine.

WIZARD

Oh, but you have lots of popcorn. Sharing is caring.

BOB

(hace el gesto de compartir y se ríe)

It's a joke-hahaha!

You believed that? La la la!

I don't want to share. Sharing means having less.

I want all the popcorn for me.

WIZARD

(se quita la capa)

BOB

Who are you?

WIZARD  
(al público)

I'm a wizard. I don't like people who don't  
share their things and who aren't friendly. You're  
not being nice. You're not being polite. You're  
not  
being a good friend.

BOB busca un escondite mientras el Wizard habla.

WIZARD  
Where are you?  
Are you here? (No lo encuentra) Oh, you're not  
here.  
Are you there? Oh, you're not there.  
Are you behind the tree? (...) Oh, no, you're  
not behind the tree.  
Are you in front of the house? (...) Oh, no,  
you're not in front of the house.  
(Dirigiéndose al público) Have you seen him? Do  
you know where he is? (Espera la respuesta) Oh,  
you mean in the lake? Oh... shhhh...

Abra-cadabra! Zig-zag-zoo!  
If you're not a good friend... this spell is  
for you!

You were not sharing.  
You were not friendly.  
You were not kind.  
You were not nice.  
Now you'll be a frog – with big, big eyes!

Vemos como de manera mágica, BOB se transforma en una rana.

FROG  
Ribbit... Ribbit... What happened to me?

WIZARD  
You'll be a frog... until you find...  
A true friend. A real friend. A kind friend.

Salida del Wizard en una nube de humo (efecto visual o teatral).

## ESCENA 2 - THE LONELY PRINCESS

Aparece una princesa jugando sola con una pelota.

PRINCESS

Bounce the ball, catch the ball!

Bounce the ball, catch the ball!

Throw the ball, catch the ball!

Throw the ball, catch the ball!

But... it's boring to play all by myself.

I play alone... I jump alone... I sing alone...

Mmm... I would love to have a friend!

*(Song 1: I want a friend) Princess*

*I want a friend to laugh and play,*

*To run and jump and shout 'hooray!'*

*A friend to sing, a friend to share,*

*To play with toys and brush my hair!*

### **ESCENA 3 - THE BALL IS IN THE LAKE**

La pelota se cae al lago.

PRINCESS

Oh no! My ball! Where's my ball?

Where is it? Is it here? Is it there? Is it behind the tree? Is it  
in front of the house? Is it in the lake?

La rana sale haciendo un salto espectacular.

FROG

Hello!

PRINCESS

Who is that?

FROG

Ribbit!

PRINCESS

Who *is* that?

FROG

It's me. I'm here! Hello

PRINCESS

A talking frog?

FROG

Yes!

PRINCESS  
(incrédula) *A talking frog?*

FROG Yes!

La princesa sale corriendo.

FROG  
Wait, wait, don't run away. I'm not scary.

PRINCESS  
But you're a frog and your're speaking! You're speaking English

FROG  
Y también puedo hablar español.

PRINCESS  
This is crazy! How did you learn it?

FROG  
It's a long story. Want to be my friend?

PRINCESS  
Your friend? Oh, come on, you're a frog!

FROG  
Yeah, so what?

La princesa camina hacia un lado y reflexiona con el público.

PRINCESS  
A friend, a frog...what a crazy idea... (se para) But, wait a second, the frog can help me find my ball.

FROG  
So what do you say? Friends?

PRINCESS  
Mmm Maybe... Look, I lost my ball in the lake. If you can get me the ball, I'll be your friend.

FROG  
Oh yes, don't worry! That's easy for me! I can jump, I can swim and I can catch the ball.

PRINCESS  
That would be amazing!

FROG  
But remember if I get the ball you'll be my friend. Deal?

PRINCESS  
Deal!

Frog y la princesa encajan las manos. La princesa se acerca al público y da a entender que no lo hará.

PRINCESS  
Friends? Me and the frog? Hahahaha! No way! Come on! I just want my ball back. Found it?

FROG  
Here it is! Here's your ball... my friend!

La princesa aleja su mano rápidamente.

PRINCESS  
(se acerca para hacer ver que va a darle la mano)  
It's a joke, hahaha!  
You believed me? La la la!  
No way!  
Thank you frog. Bye now!

FROG  
Bye? But we had a deal... We were going to be friends... You said so.

Se escucha una VOZ EN OFF de BOB diciendo: **It's a joke—hahaha! You believed me? La la la la la!**

FROG  
(triste y reflexivo)

Oh, no. That's what I used to say. I did the same thing with the popcorn and the wizard. Oh, now I feel very bad. I don't want to be unfriendly. I don't want to be rude. I want to share. I want to be a good friend.

*Song 2: We had a deal.*

*So alone, I feel so blue,  
I helped you... but you left too.  
I just want someone to care,  
A true friend, kind and fair.*

*I helped you fast, I helped you quick,  
But now I feel... a little sick.  
You said 'Let's be friends,'  
But then you said it isn't true...  
Now I'm lonely... Boo-hoo-hoo!*

#### **ESCENA 4 - THE PALACE**

El rei/reina leen el diario.

KING/QUEEN

It's a beautiful day. The sun is shining, it's windy but it's nice  
and warm. It's a perfect day to go for a walk.

Se escucha a la rana llorando.

FROG

Ribbit!Ribbit!Ribbit!

KING/QUEEN

What is that sound?

Is it an elephant? (hace el sonido de un elefante)

Is it a lion? (hace el sonido de un león)

Is it a monster?

Oh... it's a frog! There's a frog singing...

La rana vuelve a llorar, cada vez más fuerte e insistente.

FROG

Ribbit!Ribbit!Ribbit!

Llega la princesa.

KING/QUEEN

Oh, hello my lovely daughter. Have you heard the frogs singing?

PRINCESS

(nerviosa)

Frogs singing? No, no, no...

Se siente el llanto de la rana de fondo.

FROG

Ribbit!Ribbit!Ribbit!

KING/QUEEN

Listen. Oh, maybe you're right. They aren't singing. Are they crying?

PRINCESS

Daddy, that's not a frog, it's a...mmm... it's a... it's a... motorbike? Or motorbike?  
Or maybe a train?

El sonido de la rana es más y más molesto e insistente.

KING/QUEEN

Oh, this is very annoying! I'll go and see what's happening.

PRINCESS

*(off)*

Don't worry, daddy. I'll go and see. You can stay here and read your newspaper.

La princesa se va.

#### **ESCENA 5 - THE FROG WANTS A FRIEND**

FROG

Ribbit, ribbit, ribbit (sigue llorando).

Vemos como la princesa llega al lago.

PRINCESS

Please frog, be quiet!

FROG

Ribbit!

PRINCESS

Oh, come on, stop! Stop crying!

FROG

But I'm sad... You said you would be my friend and you left me here alone. We had a deal.

PRINCESS

But. . . you are a frog! You don't have real hands, like me.

FROG

You're right, I don't have human hands, but I can swim very fast.

PRINCESS

And you don't have human legs, like me.



FROG

You're right, I don't have human legs, but I can jump very high.

PRINCESS

And you don't have a human nose, like me.

FROG

You're right, I don't have a human nose, but I can smell the rain.

PRINCESS

And you don't have human hair, like me.

FROG

You're right, I don't have human hair, but I have a smooth skin and  
I can feel the sun and the cold water.

PRINCESS

You're very different.

FROG

You're right, but I have something special.

PRINCESS

What's that?

FROG

I have a big heart! I can feel things. I can feel happy, sad, brave  
or scared. And now, I feel very sad because you don't want to be my  
friend.

PRINCESS

You're green! I don't want a frog friend!

La rana se hunde en el lago, muy triste. La princesa se va.

## **ESCENA 6 - THE PROMISE**

La rana sigue llorando, cada vez más fuerte e insistente.

FROG

Ribbit!Ribbit!Ribbit!

PRINCESS

I can't sleep! The frog has been crying... all night

Aparece el padre.

KING/QUEEN  
Did you hear that sound again?

PRINCESS  
Yes, I did...

KING/QUEEN  
What is it?

PRINCESS  
It's a frog, daddy. And it's crying. And I think it's because of me.  
It's my fault.

KING/QUEEN  
What happened?

PRINCESS  
I made a promise. We had a deal. I lost my ball in the lake and the  
frog got it for me. I promised we would be friends. But I left.

KING/QUEEN  
What? You made a deal with the frog... and then you broke it?  
(pausa, mira a su hija con tristeza)  
My daughter... a promise is not just words.  
A promise is something you keep – even when it's not easy.  
(le coge la mano con ternura)  
If you make a promise... you must keep it.  
Your word matters. When we break a promise, we break a little piece  
of someone's heart.  
(vuelve a mirarla a los ojos)  
You said you'd be her friend and she believed you. And now she's all  
alone... and very sad. A true princess – a true person – always  
keeps her word.

La princesa se queda pensativa y comienza a cantar. La princesa se da  
cuenta de lo que ha hecho. REFLEXIÓN PRINCESA (canción)

*Song 3: I'm sorry Princess*

*I told a lie, and made her cry...  
I took my ball and said goodbye.  
Now I feel it in my heart...  
I must go back, I must restart.*

*A friend like you is kind and true,  
I should have stayed and played with you.  
I'm sorry now, I know I was wrong,  
Can you forgive me? It's been so long...*

*So here I am, I'm back again,*

*I hope we can still be good friends.  
You got my ball, and something more—  
A big "I'm sorry" from my core.*

*etc.*

## **ESCENA 7 - THE PROMISE**

La princesa va hacia el lago buscando a la rana.

PRINCESS

Frog, frog! Are you here? ...Frog, I've been thinking...I want to be  
your friend... I'm sorry...Frog, we had a deal. A promise is a  
promise.

La princesa no encuentra a la rana. Se encuentra una caña de pescar y unas  
botas de pescador. Mira entre las cosas que ha pescado el pescador y  
comienza a sacar objetos diversos.

PRINCESS

1, 2, 3 big fish...

What's this? A can of coke? In the lake? This is not good. We  
need to keep the lakes clean...

And what's this? A boot. Inside the lake? This is not good. We need  
to keep the lakes clean...

And this? A bag of chips? In the lake? This is not good. We need  
to keep the lakes clean...

And this? A pair of boxers?

La princesa va sacando piezas de ropa y las va contando.

PRINCESS

1, 2, 3 socks...

4, 5, 6 t-shirts

7, 8, 9 trousers...

Ohh there are so many things in the lake, but, where's the frog? I  
feel bad, the frog was sad and now I am sad too. We had a deal and I  
left. Oh frog... I'm sorry. Frog! Frog!

(Dirigiéndose al público) Can you help me call the frog

Froooooog (...) I must find the frog!

La princesa decide saltar al agua a buscar a la rana. Se escuchan sonidos  
de agua "splash". Y sale la princesa con la rana.

PRINCESS

Yes, I found the frog! I found you! Frog, are you OK? I'm sorry

FROG

Oh, I am very sad... You came back...? A life without friends is like a day without sun.

PRINCESS

You're right, I know now. Do you want to be my friend?

FROG

Oh, really?

PRINCESS

Yes, of course, you don't have human hands, but you have a big heart. And you're very funny, hahaha.

Se dan un gran abrazo y se deshace el hechizo.

PRINCESS

But, you're...

FROG

Human? Yes! I was under a spell. But now I know the value of friendship.

PRINCESS

Me too. I'm so happy to have a friend like you! But I liked you as a frog too, hahaha.

FROG

Want some popcorn? Ribbit?!Hahaha

*(Song 4) A friend like you Princess and BOB*

*A friend is kind, a friend is true,  
A friend will always play with you!  
Not big or small, not frog or queen,  
It's what's inside that can be seen.*

*I like to laugh, I like to play,  
I like to smile every day.  
But what I really love to do  
Is to share it all with a friend like you.*

*A friend like you is kind and fun,  
We jump and sing and dance and run.  
You help me when I feel so blue,  
I'm happy with a friend like you.*

*We share our toys, we share our dreams,*

*We tell each other silly things.  
We hold hands when the sky is gray,  
We make the rain just go away!*

*A friend like you is kind and fun,  
We jump and sing and dance and run.  
You help me when I feel so blue,  
I'm happy with a friend like you.*

*Even if we're far apart,  
You're always close inside my heart.  
Friends like you are hard to find—  
So sweet, so strong, so true, so kind*

*A friend like you is kind and fun,  
We jump and sing and dance and run.  
You help me when I feel so blue,  
I'm lucky to have a friend like you.*