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The Paper Bag Princess

Useful Information

Author	Robert Munsch
Illustrator	Michael Martchenko
Year published	1980
Other titles by this author	Love You Forever, Smelly Socks

Tales Toolkit

	Character- A person or an animal in a story.		Setting- Where the story takes place.
	Princess Elizabeth		Outside a dragon's cave
	Problem- There is another character or a situation that is a problem for the main character.		How the characters manage to sort out the problem and have a happy ending.
	A dragon has kidnapped Prince Ronald and burnt everything up!		Elizabeth tricks the dragon and tires him out. She rescues Prince Ronald.

Phrases and repeated refrains from story text

Children will become very familiar with these phrases and use them in the oral retelling of the story

Elizabeth was a beautiful princess	whispered very softly
trail of burnt forests	dirty old paper bag
dragon, is it true...	smell like ashes
enough fire left to cook a meatball	They didn't get married after all.

Vocabulary – definitions and synonyms

synonyms are words with the same meaning (or almost the same meaning)

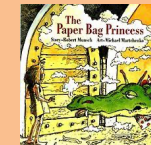
expensive	costing a lot of money (costly, dear)
slammed	to shut something very hard, making a noise (bang, fling, whack)
smart	very clever (intelligent, bright, sage)
fierce	Wild and dangerous (ferocious, savage)
magnificent	very good or impressive (splendid, gorgeous, brilliant)
tangled	to mix or twist together into a mess (jumble, mess up, scramble)



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