

## Using stories in the classroom

### Task 1: Student's numbered square sheet

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**Task 2: Vocabulary**

- \_\_\_\_\_ - extremely good or beautiful
- \_\_\_\_\_ - a soft, expensive material
- \_\_\_\_\_ - a feeling when you can't think clearly, or don't understand sth
- \_\_\_\_\_ - when you are proud about your appearance (negative meaning)
- \_\_\_\_\_ - something you can't see is...
- \_\_\_\_\_ - to try to impress people by showing them sth you are proud of
- \_\_\_\_\_ - if you have no clothes on you are....
- \_\_\_\_\_ - lots of people moving slowly in a line along the streets, maybe as part of a ceremony (e.g. in Rio de Janeiro)

**Task 3: Possible endings for the story**

How do you think the story continues?

- 1) The thieves told the emperor they could make him some beautiful clothes. He gave them lots of money and the thieves pretended to make his clothes. They said you couldn't see the clothes if you were stupid. The Emperor and all his people said they could see the clothes because they didn't want people to think they were stupid. When the Emperor walked along the streets in the clothes, he was actually naked.
- 2) The thieves stole all the Emperor's clothes and gave them to the poor people of the city. The Emperor was very sad and thought he couldn't live without his lovely clothes, but when he saw the poor people looking so happy, he became extremely happy and was very happy that the thieves had stolen his clothes. He made the thieves Ministers.
- 3) The thieves gave the Emperor a suit, which actually belonged to the King of another country. When the King visited, he saw that the Emperor was wearing his clothes and said that he was a thief. The Emperor became so angry that he said the King could never visit again. The King started a war against the Emperor and they were both killed. One of the thieves became Emperor and the other became King.

**Task 4: The text****The Emperor's New Clothes**

Many years ago there lived an emperor who loved clothes. He liked them so much he changed his clothes almost every hour and loved to show them off to his people.

One day two thieves heard about the emperor's vanity and decided to come to the city. They said they could make beautiful clothes with material that was invisible to anyone who was very stupid. When the Emperor heard this he said: "I'll buy some of these clothes and then I'll know who is clever and who is stupid in my city." So the Emperor gave the thieves a lot of money to buy silk and gold for his new clothes.

But the thieves did not buy anything. They started to work very hard but the truth was that they didn't make anything. Their machines were empty!

Soon the Emperor wanted to see his clothes but first he sent a very important minister to visit the thieves. When the Minister looked at the machines he was very confused because he could not see anything. But he thought, "If I say that I can't see the material, everybody will think I'm stupid." So he said, "The material is beautiful and the colours are magnificent." And this is what he told the Emperor. Then the thieves asked for more money to buy silk and gold but again they kept the money and bought nothing.

The Emperor soon sent another Minister to visit the thieves and the same thing happened. At last the Emperor decided to go to see his new clothes but when he got there he looked and he looked at the machines and thought, "Am I stupid? I can't see anything." But he said, "How lovely! I'll wear my new clothes for the procession in the city."

The night before the procession the thieves worked hard - making nothing. In the morning the emperor put on his new clothes and all his ministers said how wonderful they were.

Then the emperor went out into the streets and all the people said, "The Emperor's new clothes are the most beautiful in the world!" Everybody said they could see them because nobody wanted to be called stupid.

At last a child shouted, "But he's got nothing on!" And everybody started saying, "It's true! He's naked!" And the Emperor knew that they were right but he continued to the end of the procession.

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**Task 4: Focus on questions****A Write the questions for these answers**

- 1) That they could make beautiful clothes.
  - 2) To buy silk and gold for his new clothes.
  - 3) Nothing.
  - 4) A very important Minister.
  - 5) They kept it and bought nothing.
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**B Write the questions for these answers**

- 6) They worked hard.
- 7) In the morning.
- 8) Because nobody wanted to be called stupid.
- 9) Out into the streets.
- 10) "But he's got nothing on!"