

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 wish I had a friend) Princess

+++ VERSE

(I) like to jump and run,

and hop and spin aro-ound,

I like to sing and play,

(and) have fun (on) a sunny day:

a happy_and sunny day!

I run faster to climb on a tree (),

I like to dance, but there's no one to see,

I wish I had someone else, here with me...

+++ BRIDGE

Sometimes I'm bored of playin' all alo-one,

I talk and turn around, but I'm on my own...

++ (I turn around, all alone)

I say something funny, but there's no one there,

(no one who hears, or who cheers)

I miss having someone to have fun and share!

++ (and go everywhere!)

+++ CHORUS

I wish I had a friend to play together,

if I had someone

I would feel even better,

my own friend,

and together (we'd) talk, and laugh (and) sing,

we'd run, jump and swing, among the flowers,

and we'd play for hours.

((((+++ SPOKEN +++)))

Ah... It's not fun to play hide and seek on your own...
or to have no one to talk, or sing together, or write a letter...
If only I had a friend to share my time, it'd be so much better!

+++ CHORUS

I wish I had a friend to play together,

if I had someone

I would feel even better,

my own friend,

we'd run, jump and swing, among the flowers,

and we'd play for hours.

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 you'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!**

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. Frog

*We had a deal, but now she's gone...
and once again, I'm on my own...
But I thought we'd play together,
I was sure she'd be my friend.
Now I fear that we will never
meet again.
And she seemed so nice and funny,
but she ran and went away...
Now I'm sad, because we'll never
get to play.
I would feel so good if only,
had friend, so I could play...
but I guess I will feel lonely,
one more day.*

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

+++ CHORUS
I'm sorry...
forgive me...
'cause I know we made a deal,
for our friendship to be real.
I'm sorry...
I mean it...

*What I did doesn't make sense,
and I hope that now we can be friends.*

+++ VERSE
*I made a promise to you,
but I know I didn't come through...
but I gave my word,
and I swore,
and you gave
me your trust, so I
want to say that...*

+++ CHORUS
*I'm sorry...
forgive me...
'cause I know we made a deal,
for our friendship to be real.
I'm sorry...
I mean it...
What I did doesn't make sense,
and I hope that now we can be friends.*

+++ VERSE
*I've always played all alone,
ran and talked, and sang on my own_,
and it made me feel
pretty bad
when we met
and I left, so I'll
say again that...*

+++ CHORUS
*I'm sorry...
(...)*

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
Frooooooog (...) 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

+++ VERSE (Princess)
I was lonely and tired of playing alone,
then we met, but I cared just for my own...
I was sorry and you gave me another chance,
now we're friends, and we run, and jump and dance!

+++ CHORUS
Friends forever!
Whatever you do, I will be
there, and never
stop from being true...
We will always
get along and play, because (what-)
-ever it may be,
(you'll) have a friend in me!

+++ VERSE (Frog/Bob)
I was rude, and the wizard cast a spell,
turned me into a frog, as you can tell.
(I) had to learn and wait for a true friend,
then we met and caused the spell to end!

+++ CHORUS
Friends forever!
Whatever you do, I will be
there, and never
stop from being true...
We will always
get along and play, because (what-)
-ever it may be,
(you'll) have a friend in me!

+++ (((INTERACCIÓN CON NIÑOS/AS))) +++
+++ CHORUS
Friends forever!

the end.

