**The Princess and the Frog**

**Characters:**

Princess

Frog

King

Prince

**Setting:**

Act I:

forest scene; well; golden ball; pearl necklace; rhinestone bracelet

Acts II and II:

castle dining hall; table and chairs; dishes; door

**SCRIPT:**

ACT I

A scene in the forest. The princess enters, singing and playing with a golden ball.

Princess: My, how quiet the forest is. And such a beautiful day! To make everything perfect, my father the king gave me this golden ball. It´s so precious. I´ll treasure it forever (sees well and stops suddenly). My, I´ve never seen this well before. I wonder where it came from? (looks down well). It certainly is deep. It must go down for miles. (drops ball into well) Oh, no! I´ve lost my ball in the well. What shall I do? Oh, what shall I do? .

Frog: (sticks head up from behind well) Croak, croak. Princess , why are you crying? Croak, croak.

Princess: Croak, croak yourself, you horrible frog! Go away! I dropped my golden ball into the well. If I could get it back, I´d give everything I own — my pearl necklace (touches necklace); my diamond bracelet (shows bracelet) — everything!

Frog: I can get your ball. But what would I do with all your fine things?

Princess: How should I know? (turns back on frog)

Frog: (taps her on shoulder) Look, you´re upset. I´ll get your golden ball.

Princess: (turning to frog) You will?

Frog: Yes, I will — if you let me live at the castle.

Princess: What!

Frog: And let me eat from your golden plate.

Princess: Eat from my golden plate!

Frog: And let me sleep on your pillow.

Princess:  What nonsense this frog talks. But he can get my golden ball. And he´ll never be able to find his way to the castle. Very well, find my golden ball and I´ll do what you ask.

Frog: You will have your golden ball (disappears behind well).

Princess: (looking down well) My goodness. It´s so dark down there. Where is that frog? I can´t see him. I´ll bet he´s stolen my golden ball. (she jumps back as the frog appears with the ball).

You found it! You found it!

Frog: Princess! Princess! You promised to take me back to the castle with you. Princess!

ACT II

*Castle dining hall. The princess and king are eating dinner.*

King: Princess, ever since I gave you that golden ball you have been in a hurry to finish your dinner.

Princess: I can hardly wait to hold it again, Father. It´s my favorite toy. (There is a knock at the door). I wonder who that can be?

Frog: (from off stage) Princess, oh, Princess, open the door! I am your true love forevemore!  
  
Princess:  Oh, no! It´s the frog.

King: (touches the princess´s forehead) My dear, you´re pale. What´s the matter?

Princess:  There´s a horrible frog at the door. I dropped my golden ball into a well and he got it back for me. I told him he could live at the castle. But I never thought he would be able to find his way here.

Frog: (knocks at the door) Princess, oh, Princess, open the door! I am your true love forevermore!

Princess: Oh, father, what am I to do?

King: You gave your word and you must keep it. Let the frog in.

Princess: Very well, father. (open the door). Come in, frog.

Frog: Thank you, Princess. I`m hungry. Let me eat from your plate. (he hops to the table and begins to eat). This is delicious. But I´m so tired. Let me sleep on your pillow.

Princess: Must I, father?

King: (nods his head). Yes, you gave your word.

Princess: Oh, all right. Come on, frog. I´ll carry you upstairs. (As she walks toward the frog, the curtain falls.)

ACT III

*Castle dining hall. The princess and the king are eating dinner.*

King: Daughter, you´re not eating.

Princess: I´m not hungry, Father.

King: Come, come child! You´ve said that for three nights in a row.

Princess: And for three nights that dreadful frog has come back. Every night it´s the same thing: ¨Princess, oh Princess, open the door! I am your true love forevermore!

King: You gave him your word.

Princess: Yes, but when he comes in, he eats from my plate and he´s so sloppy! Then I must carry him upstairs and place him on my pillow. And he´s so wet! UGH! Each morning, he´s gone and I´m glad.

Frog: (knocks at door) Princess, oh Princess, open the door! I am your true love forevermore!

Princess: Oh, no! He´s here again!

King: Open the door.

Princess: Father, must I?

King: You gave him your word.

Princess: (opens door and sees a handsome prince) Who– Who are you?

Prince: (enters room) I am a prince. A wicked witch turned me into a frog. I had to find a beautiful princess who would let me eat from her plate and sleep on her pillow for three nights in a row. Then I could become a prince again.

Princess: I don´t know what to say!

Prince: Say you´ll marry me and come to live with me in my father´s kingdom.

Princess: Oh, yes. I will! I will! I will! I will!(she hugs the prince as the curtain falls).

The End