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Once upon a time in a land far away, a king and queen held a party for their beautiful baby daughter, Aurora.

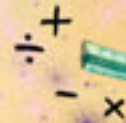


The guests of honour were five fairies, who each gave the baby magical gifts.

I give her the gift
of imagination!
POOF!



I give her the gift
of cleverness!
POOF!



I give her
the gift
of music!
POOF!



I give her
the gift
of dance!
POOF!



The last fairy
was just about to
give her gift to
the baby when...



...“STOP!”

An evil fairy appeared,
looking very cross.

“I see you didn’t
invite me!”
she shrieked.



The fairy gave
an evil cackle
and said,

“Here’s my gift for
the baby. When Aurora
turns sixteen, she’ll
prick her finger on
the needle of a
spinning wheel...

...and go to
sleep for ever
and ever!”

Then the fairy vanished in
a puff of smelly smoke.



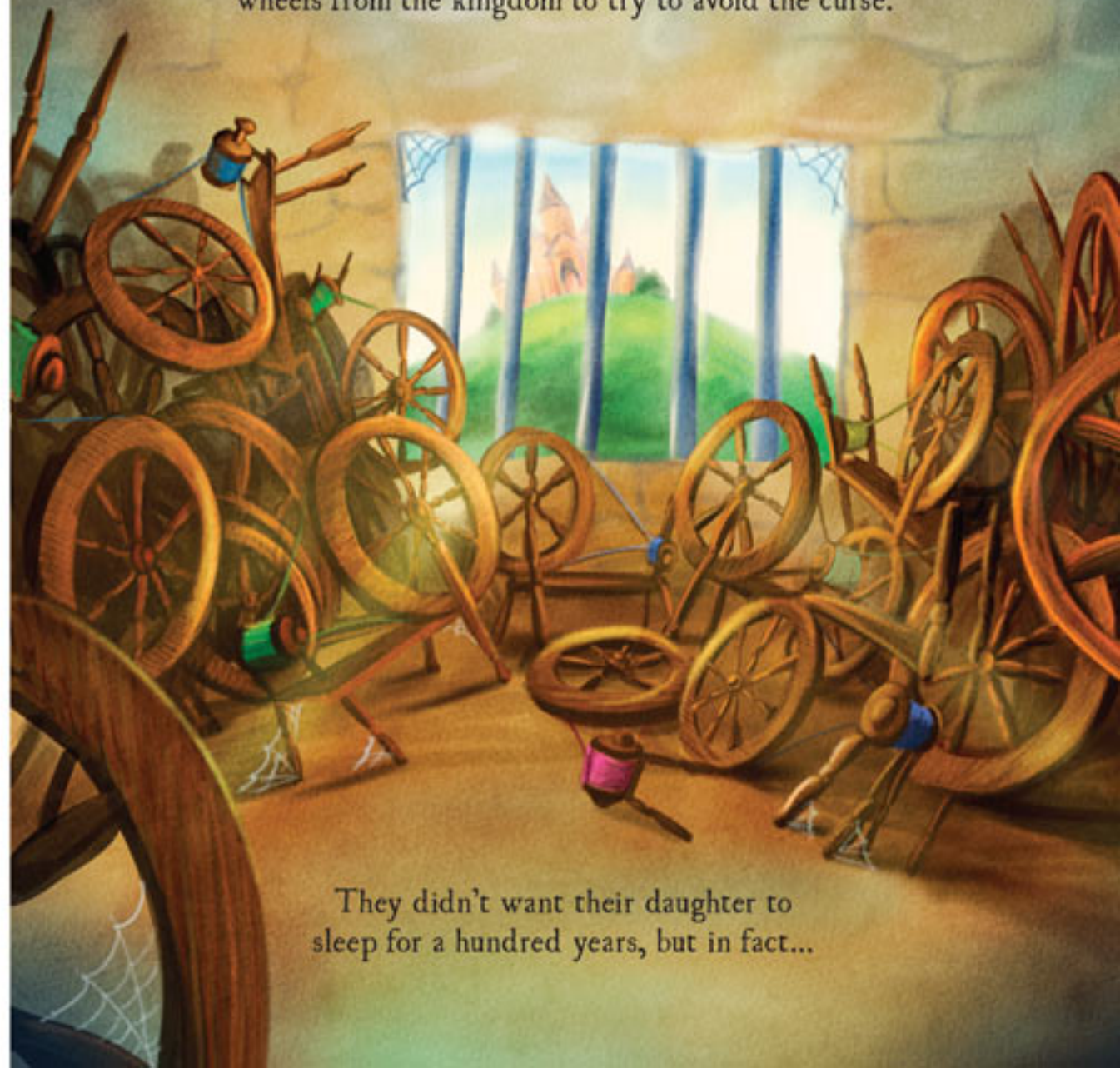
The last fairy still
had her gift to give.

"I can't stop the curse,"
she said...



..."but I can change it
so that the princess falls
asleep for a hundred
years instead. She will
be awoken by a kiss
from a prince."

The king and queen immediately banned all spinning
wheels from the kingdom to try to avoid the curse.



They didn't want their daughter to
sleep for a hundred years, but in fact...

...Princess Aurora didn't
like sleeping at all!



When she was a baby
she kept her parents up all
night, crying very loudly.

As she got older,
Aurora just
didn't want to
go to sleep.



When her mum
and dad told her
to go to bed,
she ignored them!

