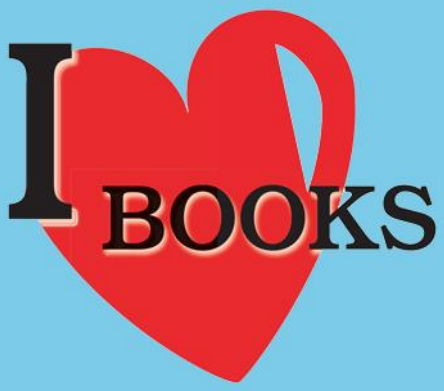


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Once, when fairies
still roamed the land,
a baby princess was born.
Seven fairies came to her christening
and gave her wonderful gifts...
beauty
kindness
curiosity
goodness
generosity
bravery
cleverness
It was a lovely party, until...



...a wicked fairy arrived.
"You didn't invite me," she shrieked.

"But I have a gift too... When the princess is sixteen,
she'll prick her finger on a spinning wheel spindle
and fall asleep for a hundred years!"

"No!" gasped the queen.
"Lock away all the spinning wheels!"
cried the king. "My daughter must
never be allowed to prick her finger."


Years passed happily, and the princess grew up.
She was clever, beautiful, brave and good.
On the morning of her sixteenth birthday,
everyone was busy getting ready for her party.
So the princess went exploring.
She found
a little old door
in a little old
tower...