TALK ABOUT TEXTS

Two Cinderella Stories





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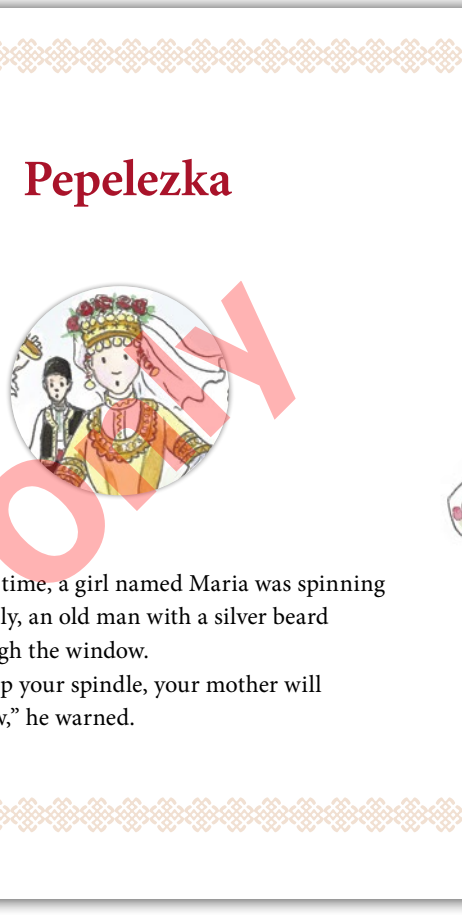
'Let's read pages 2 and 3 together and then read them again to yourself.'

Read

Read pages 2–3 together with the students, then allow time for the students to read these pages again to themselves.

Check Understanding

- Who appeared at the window?
- What did the man with the silver beard warn?
- What happened to Maria's mother?
- What does the word 'peered' mean?



Pepelezka

Once upon a time, a girl named Maria was spinning yarn. Suddenly, an old man with a silver beard peered through the window.

"If you drop your spindle, your mother will become a cow," he warned.

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Startled, Maria dropped her spindle.

Alas! Her mother turned into a cow. It followed Maria everywhere.



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Talk

Can you tell me how this story began and what has happened so far?

First, _____.
Then, _____.
Next, _____.

Use the illustration and the text to describe Maria in your own words.

The **illustration** shows _____.
The **text** tells me _____.

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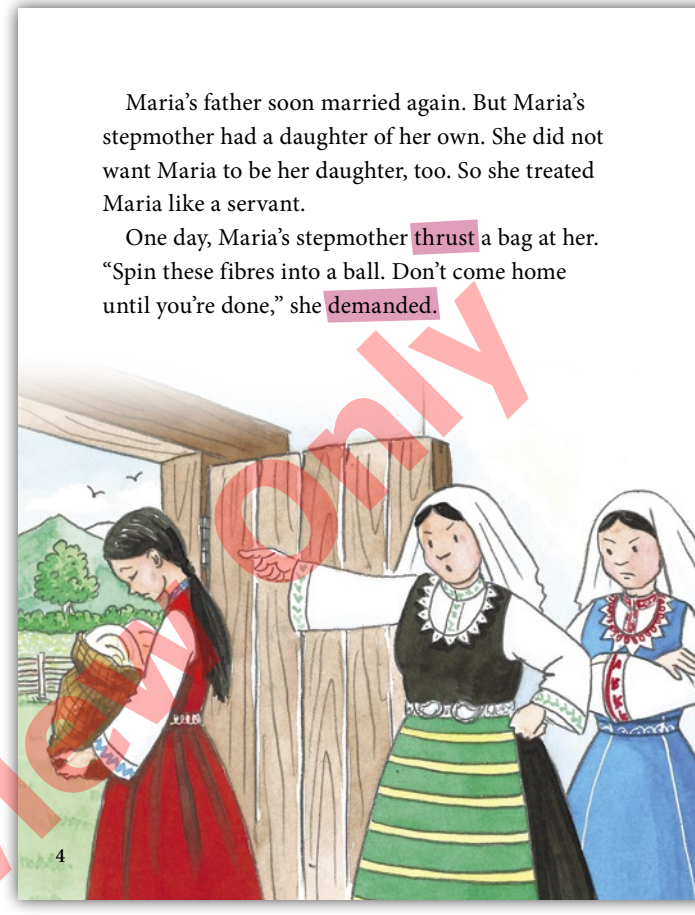
'Let's read pages 4 and 5 together and then read them again to yourself.'

Read

Read pages 4–5 together with the students and then allow time for them to read these pages again to themselves.

Check Understanding

- Why didn't the stepmother want Maria to be her daughter?
- What did Maria have to do for her stepmother?
- Why was the cow sent away?
- What does the word 'thrust' mean on page 4?
- What does 'demanded' mean? Can you use it in a sentence of your own?



Maria's father soon married again. But Maria's stepmother had a daughter of her own. She did not want Maria to be her daughter, too. So she treated Maria like a servant.

One day, Maria's stepmother thrust a bag at her. "Spin these fibres into a ball. Don't come home until you're done," she demanded.

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The cow helped Maria. It chewed the fibres and softened them into yarn as Maria spun it into a ball.

Sadly, her stepmother learnt the cow had helped Maria. She sent the cow far away.



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Talk

Use the illustration on page 4 to retell what Maria's stepmother did.

First, _____.
Then, _____.

Can you retell what happened next?

Next, _____.

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