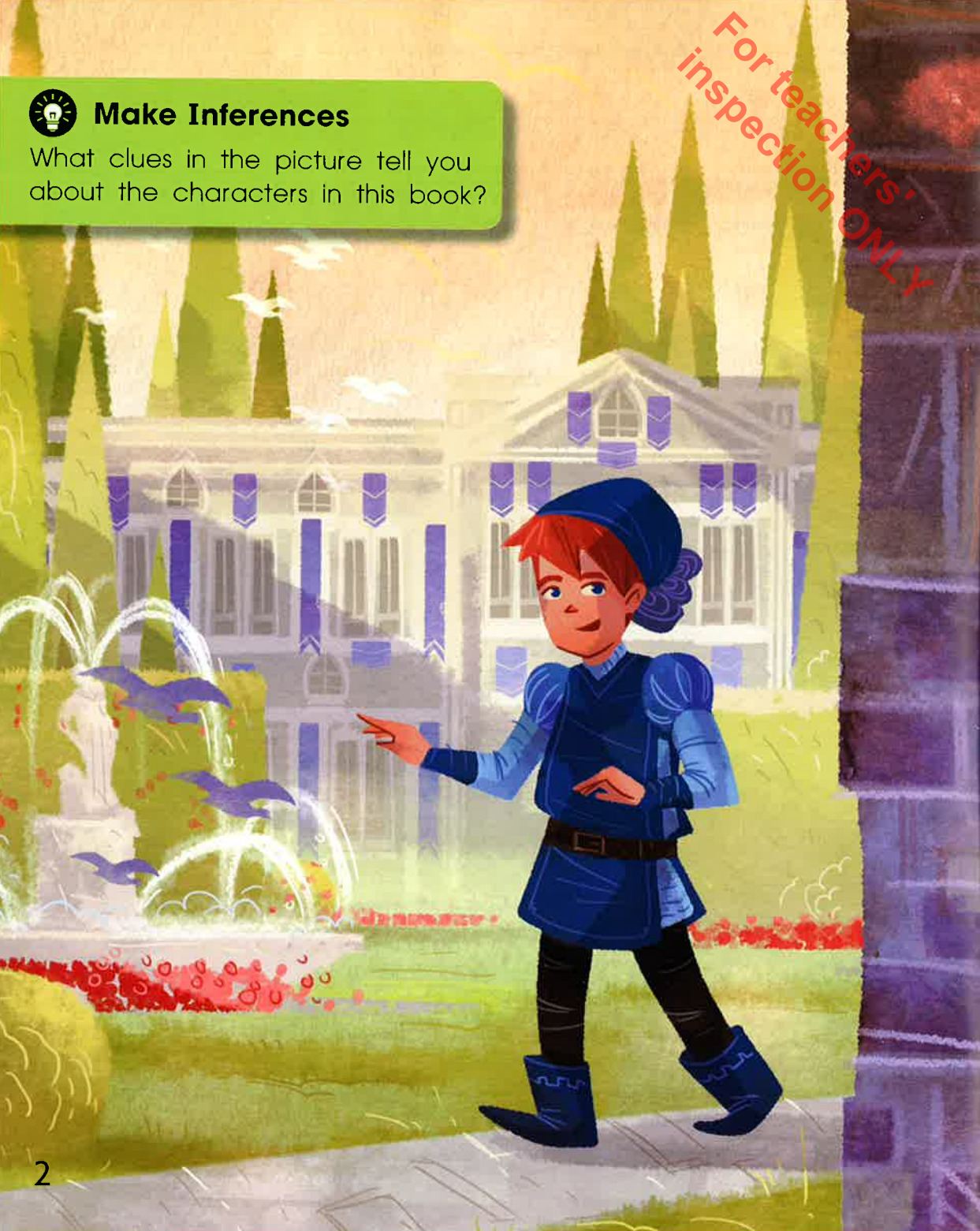
The Prince and the Pauper



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A long time ago, two babies were born. Both of the babies were boys. The babies looked alike, too.



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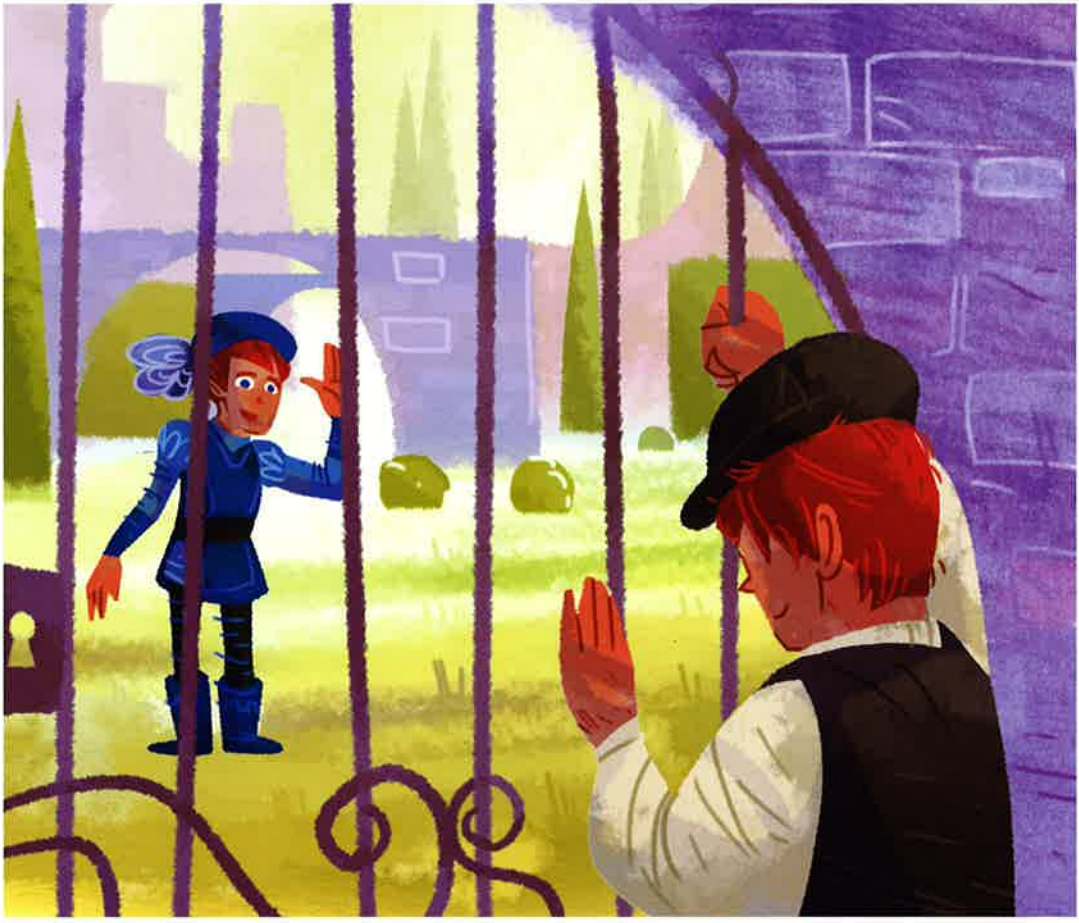


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The boys grew. They still looked alike, but they had very different lives. Tom was poor. He had to ask people for food. Edward lived in a palace. He was a prince!

One day, Tom walked by the palace. Edward was playing outside. "Hello!" said Edward. "Would you like to come in?" The boys looked at one another.

"We look just alike!" Edward said.



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"I wish I could be a prince!"
Tom said.

"I wish I could go out by myself!"
Edward said. Then they had an idea.
Edward put on Tom's clothes, and
Tom put on Edward's clothes.

A guard came along. The guard was very mean. "Out with you!" he said to Edward. "You can't be in here!" The guard pushed Edward into the street.



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Edward was angry. "But I am the prince!" he cried.

"No, HE is the prince," said the guard. The guard walked toward Tom. "Let's go inside now," the guard said.

What happened in this story?

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Make Predictions

What do you think will happen to Tom now?