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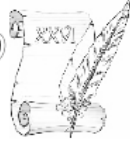
UNDÉCIMO

THE PRINCESS WHO HAD IT ALL

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There was once the most beautiful princess of the kingdom who lived in a huge castle with the prettiest gardens, she had everything that someone could ever wish for but she was not happy, she felt something was missing and it wasn't a prince charming or a new jewelry set, she knew she had everything and she was grateful for it, but inside, she felt empty. She didn't wanted to have the typical fairytale princess life that was about meeting a handsome prince and being happily ever after living a superficial life. She asked her other friends that were also princesses and they didn't take her seriously, they all laughed and said that that was life about, and that she should marry soon, that her beauty wouldn't last forever and that she would find happiness after marriage, she knew it was a bad idea asking them.

Every day she went to the highest tower of the castle and watched the villagers, they looked so happy and she wondered, what is happiness about?, she was tired of feeling empty and decided to ask the wizard, she knew her mother wouldn't let her go alone so she waited until midnight when her mother was sleeping, grabbed her cape and went to the outdoors of the kingdom where the wizard lived. When she arrived, the wizard was sitting outside his house drinking hot chocolate because it was a cold night.



- "I knew you were coming tonight princess". Said the wizard while pouring hot chocolate in another mug for the princess.

- "How did you know I was coming?"

- "I'm a wizard, I'm supposed to know everything."

- "Well, if you know everything... can you tell me what happiness is about?"

- "That is something I can't tell you darling."

- "But you just said you were supposed to know everything!"

- "I can't tell you what it is, but I can help you find it, the only thing I can tell you about happiness is to stop looking for it, it is like a butterfly, if you pursue it you won't catch it, you need to wait for it to stand over you."

- "How can I find my own happiness?"

- "I have a small cabin in the middle of the forest, why don't you take a trip and rest away from society, take all the things you think you need to be happy, but I'll recommend you not to take much because it is a long trip."

After talking with the wizard , the princess went to the castle as fast as she could and started packing all the things she thought she needed, she took a huge basket full of food, her new high heels that were also her favorites and a mirror, so she could keep staring at her beauty. As soon as the sun had raised, she started her trip, her backpack was too heavy but she didn't care, she thought she needed all that for the trip, she starting walking and with every step she made the backpack felt



heavier and heavier, and she couldn't enjoy the view because she was busy thinking in her backpack. After walking for a while she decided to take a rest near a river, where she had found the most delicious fruits she had ever tasted, took a nap, watched some animals and thought that everything was perfect forgetting completely about the stuff that she thought would make her happy. When she felt thirsty she drank some water from the river, it was the purest water she had ever seen, and while staring at her reflection in the water, she remembered that she was there to forget about the superficial world and that she didn't need any heels or mirrors to find her happiness when she had rivers and trees, and the food she had compared to the fruits of the forest were nothing, so she decided to continue her trip leaving her backpack behind. She enjoyed so much the view that she felt the rest of the trip was so short, and started thinking that she didn't need anything to be happy, she just need to see what she had always had around her, but she was blinded by shoes, dresses and crowns and couldn't enjoy the nature. It was the trip what she had enjoyed the most, and after thinking of all this, the princess decided to live in the cabin in the middle of the forest, where she lived happily ever after.