ЛЕГКО ЧИТАЕМ НА АНГЛИЙСКОМ

# Братья Гримм БЕЛОСНЕЖКА И СЕМЬ ГНОМОВ

#### Уровень 1

## The Brothers Grimm

### SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS



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#### ОБ АВТОРАХ

Братья Якоб и Вильгельм Гримм — одни из самых известных сказочников в мировой литературе. Первый сборник их сказок вышел более 200 лет назад, и в него вошло всего 83 сказки. На протяжении всей своей жизни братья собирали сказочные истории, опрашивая своих друзей, знакомых, а также обращаясь к простому народу. В настоящее время известно около 200 сказок братьев, они были переведены на множество языков и одинаково любимы как детьми, так и взрослыми.

Самыми известными сказками братьев Гримм являются «Белоснежка», «Хензель и Гретель», «Бременские музыканты», «Рапунцель», «Госпожа Метелица» и «Король Дроздобород». 1

It was a cold winter's day. Snow lay all over the place. The Queen sat by the window, humming to herself as she sewed



a little dress. Suddenly she saw a black raven, and as she looked, she pricked her finger with the needle. A drop of blood fell on her gown. It was so red!

"I wish I had a daughter with skin as white as snow, hair as black as a raven, and lips as red as this drop of blood on my gown," thought the Queen.

The Queen's wish came true. After a few months, a baby girl was born. The baby's skin was really as white as snow, her curly hair as black as the raven and her lips were red as blood.

She was a lovely baby.

"I shall name this beautiful child of mine Snow White," said the Queen to her husband.

So the Princess was named Snow White. Each day she grew more and more beautiful. She was very kind to everyone in the palace, and everybody loved her.

Sadly for Snow White, in a few years her mother died and after some time her father married again. The new Queen was a very beautiful lady and she was very proud of her beauty. She wished to be the most beautiful woman in the world.

She had a magic mirror in her chambers. She would look into it every morning and ask:

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"Mirror, Mirror, on the wall, Who is the fairest one of all?"

And the mirror would reply: "Queen, you are the fairest one of all."

The Queen would smile widely because she knew that her magic mirror never lied. It also made her vainer. Nobody in the palace loved her; on the contrary, they were afraid of her.

Many years have passed as the Queen watched Snow White grow into a beautiful girl. She was not happy about it. As Snow White grew older, she became more and more beautiful. The Queen was very

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