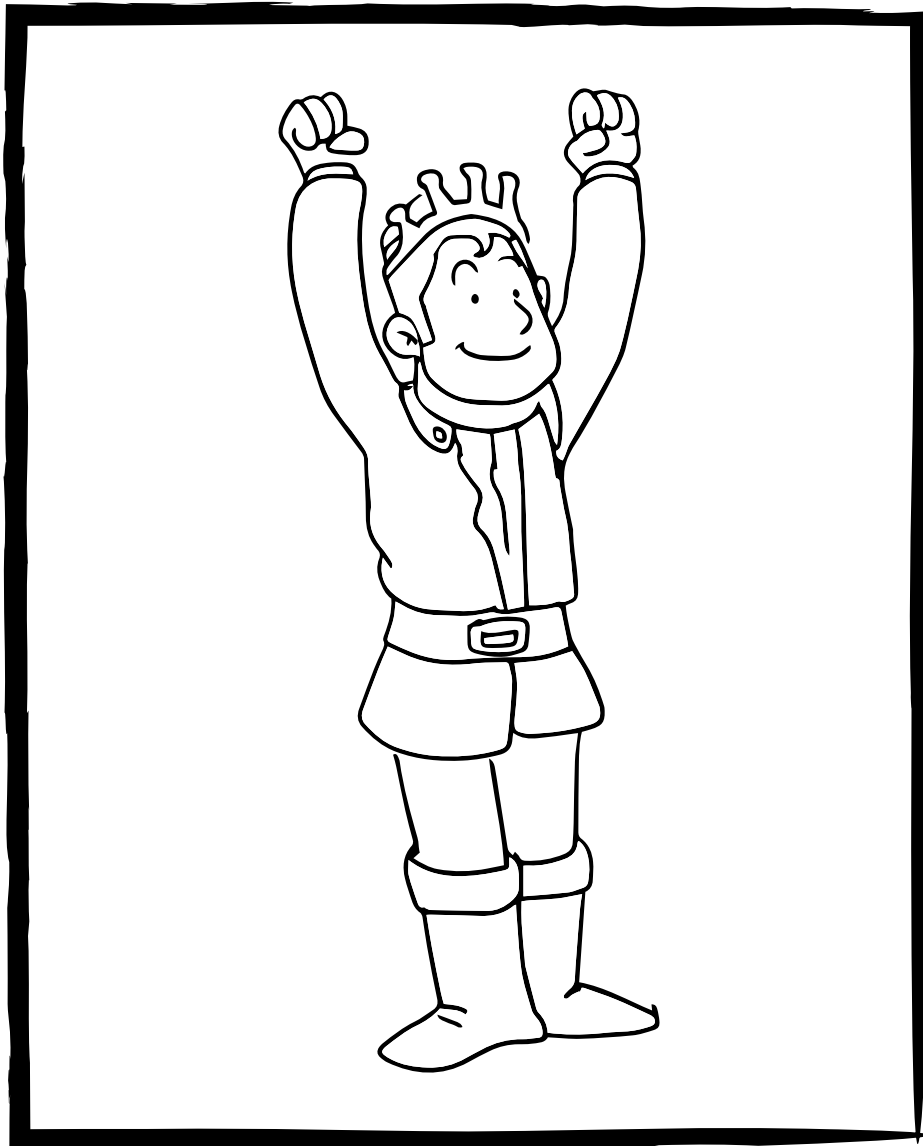


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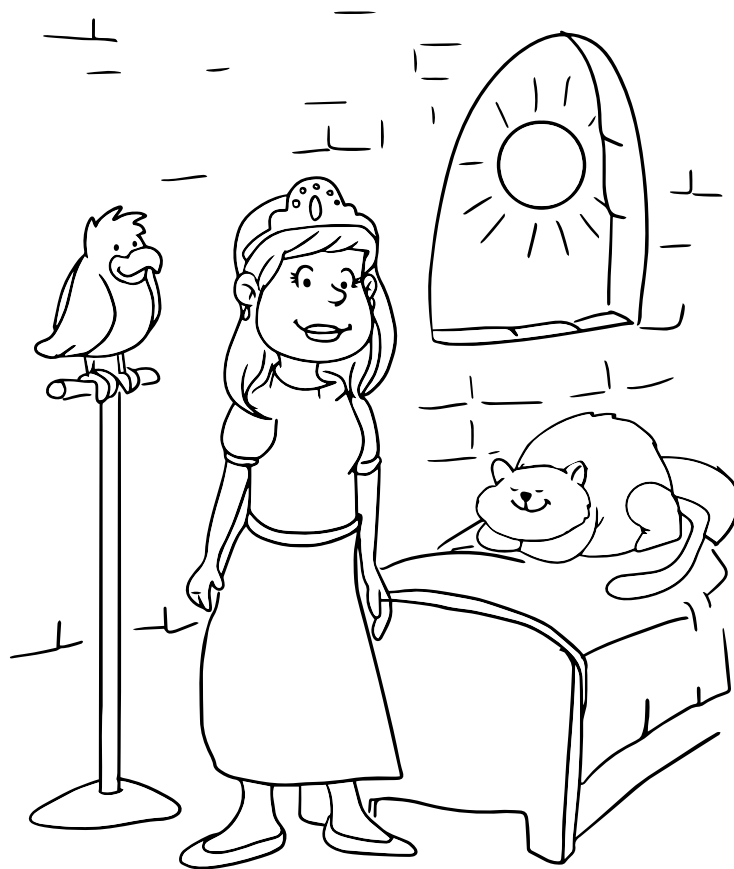
The Clever Prince



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Once upon a time there was a beautiful princess with long, blond hair and big, blue eyes. She wasn't tall and she wasn't short.



Her name was Maria. She lived in a castle with her fat, old cat called Suki and her noisy, green parrot called Jimmy.



Her mother, Queen Zelda, was ugly and short and had long, brown hair and green eyes. She was also very mean. She wanted to be young and beautiful like the princess.

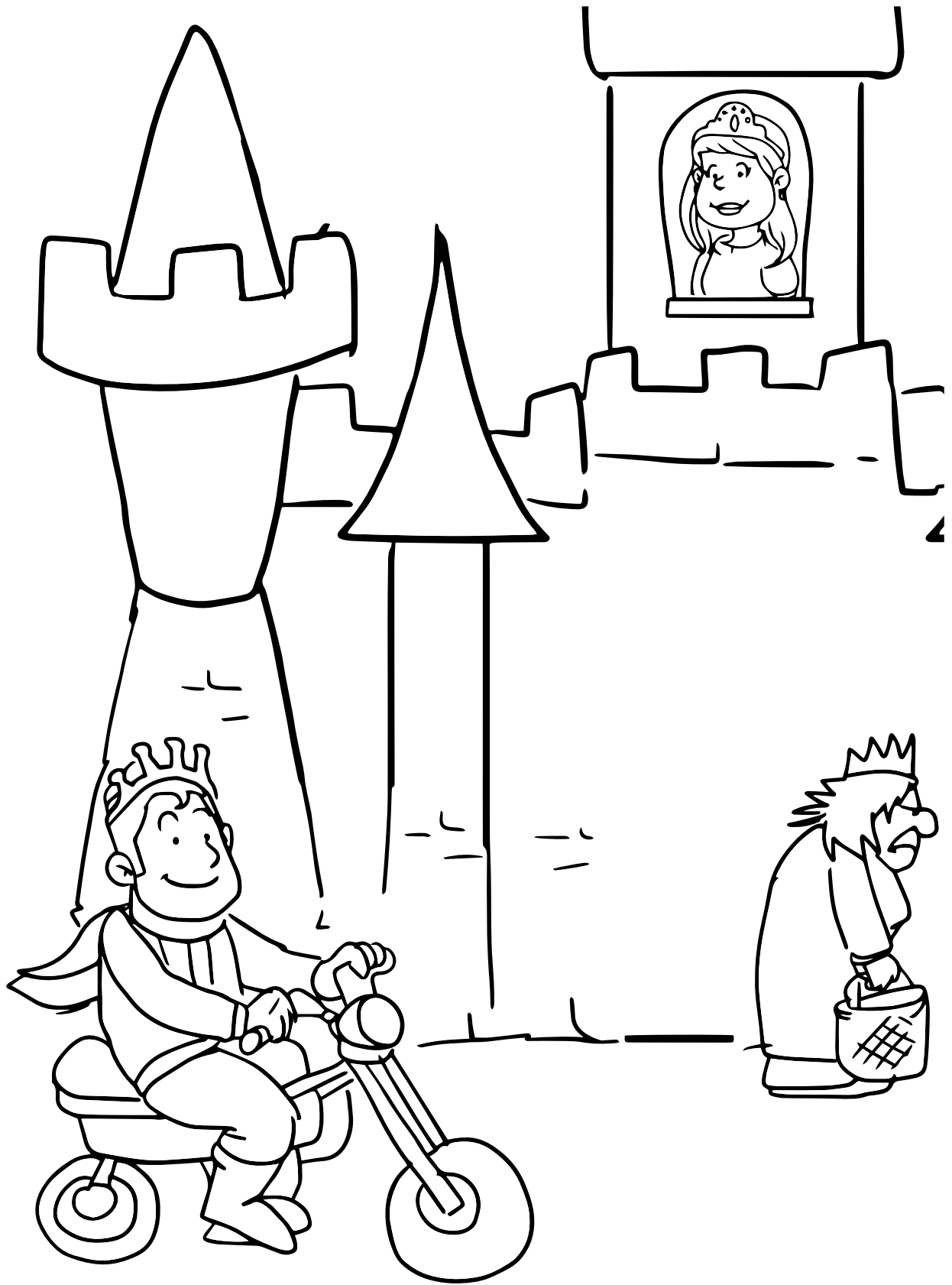
The Queen didn't like the princess so she kept her locked up in the castle all day, everyday.

The princess never went out and she didn't have any friends. She was very lonely.



Some people tried to rescue the princess, but they couldn't because the castle didn't have any doors. There was only one window at the very top of the tower.

There was also a scary, three-headed dragon guarding the castle.



One day, the Queen went to the shops to buy some ham and cheese.

A brave, clever, tall prince with short, black hair and brown eyes was passing the castle on his motorbike. He was very handsome.

He looked up at the castle and saw the beautiful princess at the window. He shouted, "Hello, who are you?" and the princess shouted back, "I am Princess Maria".

The prince said, "I am Prince Tom. Will you come for a ride on my motorbike?". But the princess began to cry. "I can't", she said. "I am trapped in this castle".

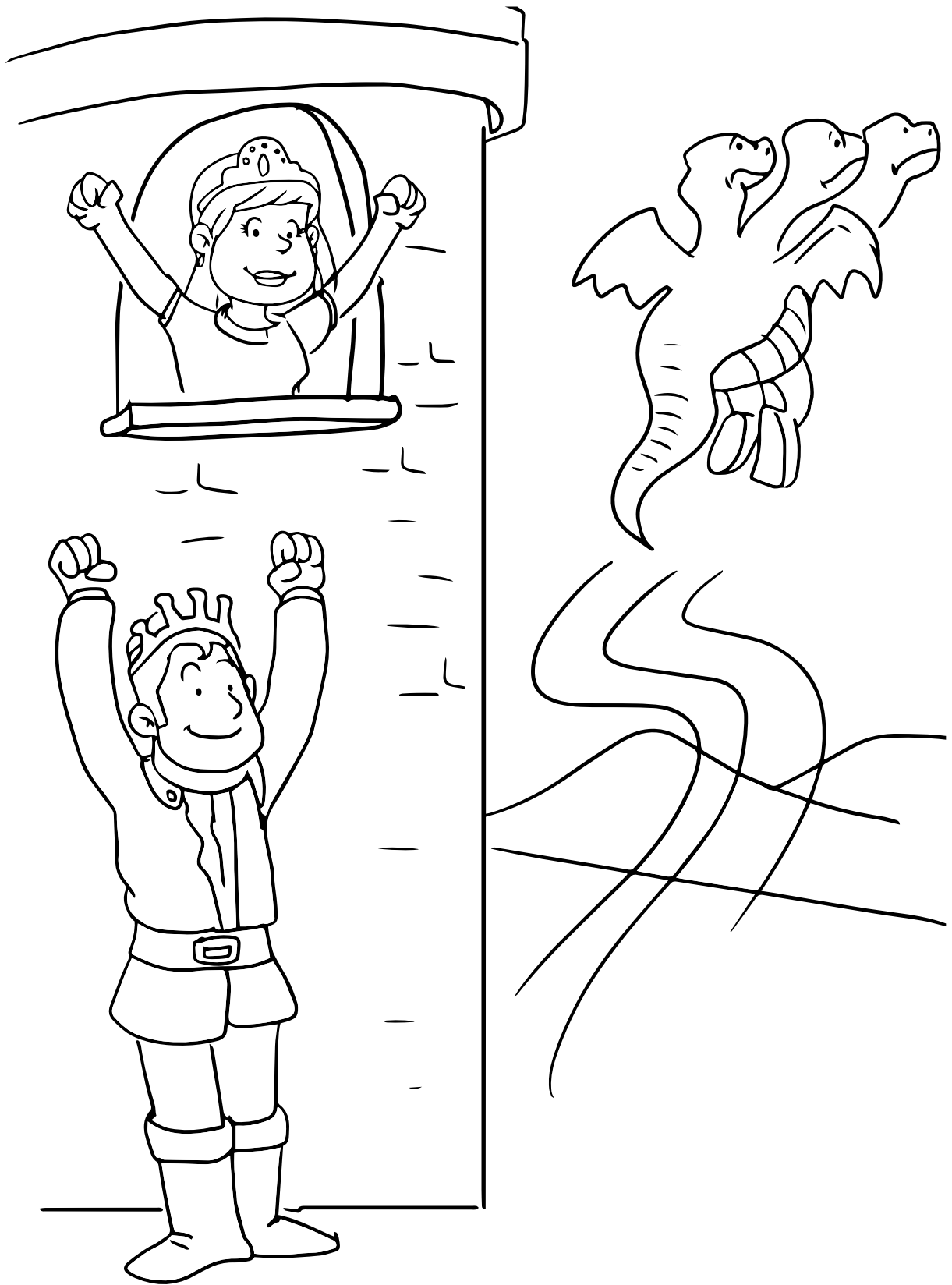
The prince decided to rescue the princess.



Suddenly, the dragon appeared! It roared like a lion and breathed fire.

The prince knew he couldn't fight the dragon - it was too big and strong. But the prince was clever.

He took out his phone and took a photo of the dragon.

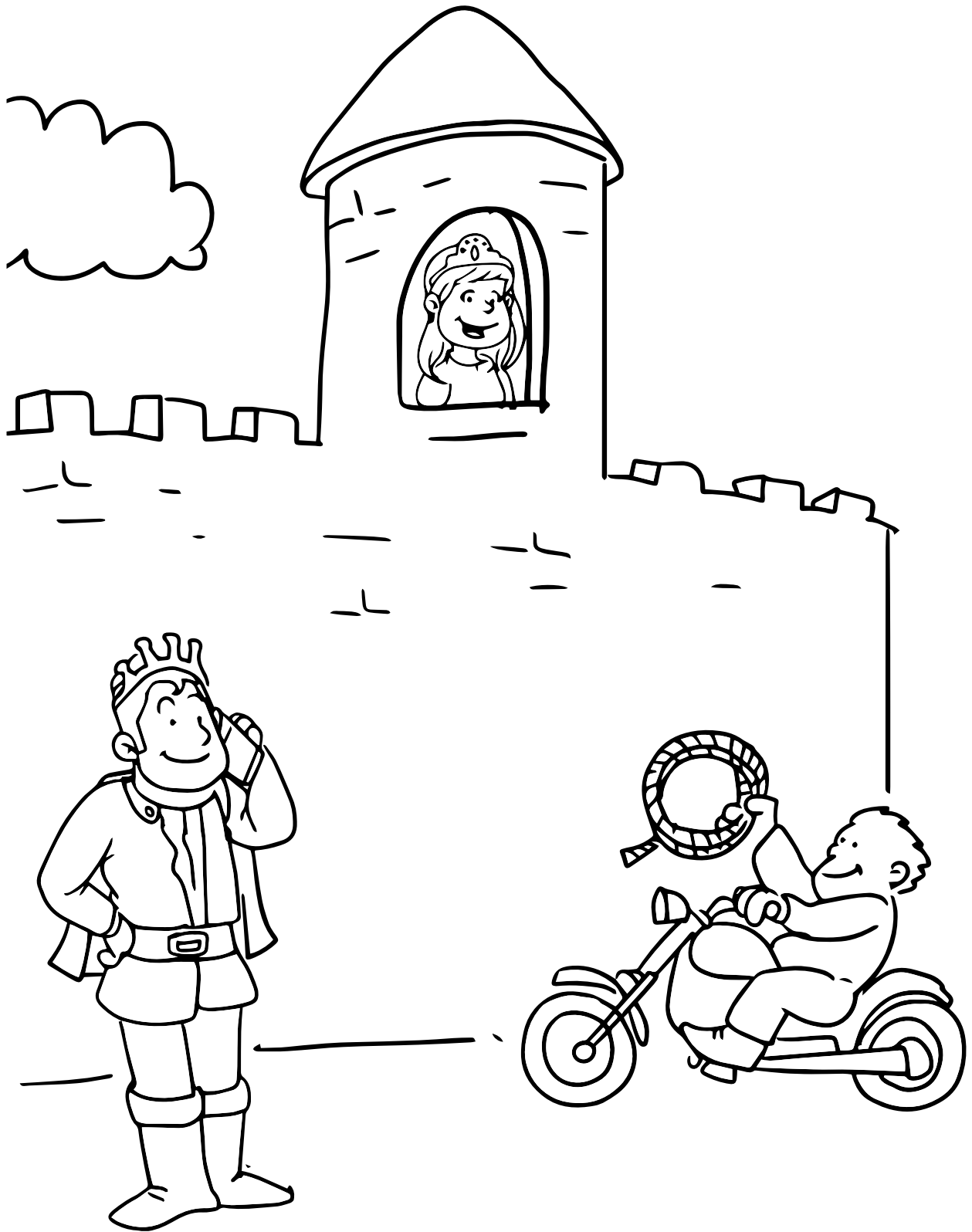


The flash of light from the phone surprised the dragon.

It screamed and flew away!

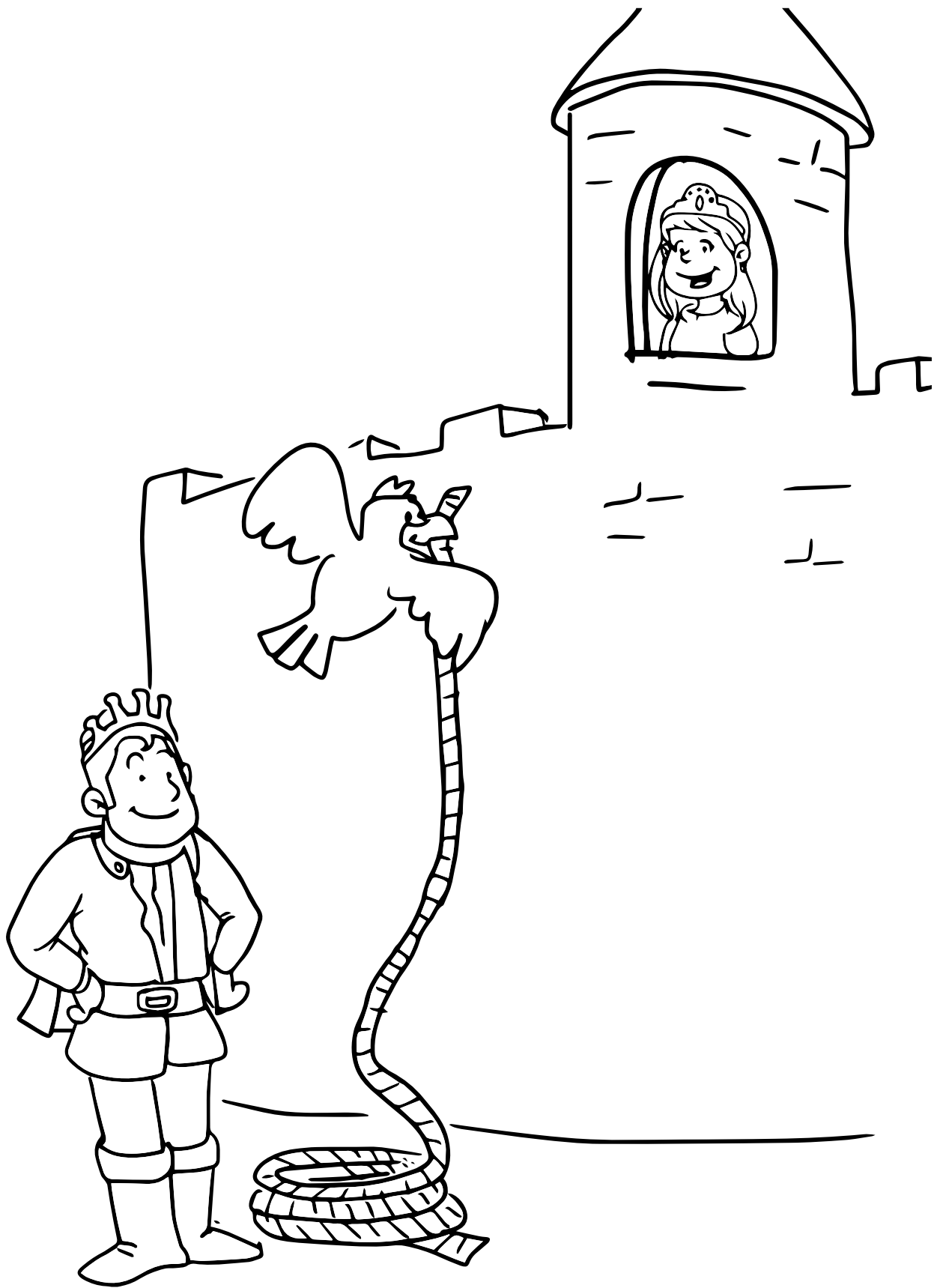
The prince ran up to the castle. He tried to climb up to the window but it was too high. He tried to knock a hole in the castle wall but it was too thick.

Then the prince had a good idea.



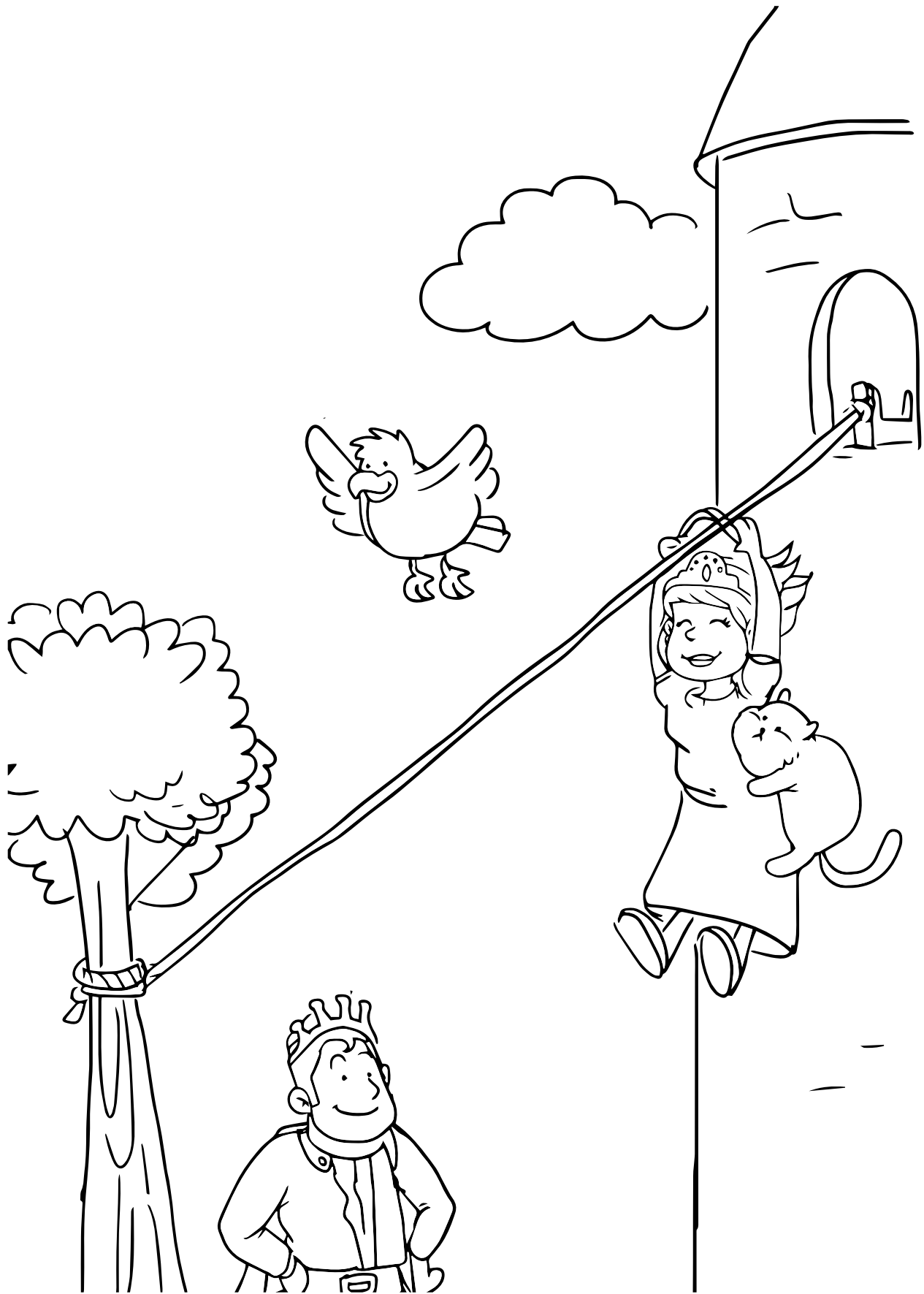
He took out his phone and called his friend.

Five minutes later, his friend arrived on a motorbike with some rope.



The prince then called the parrot.

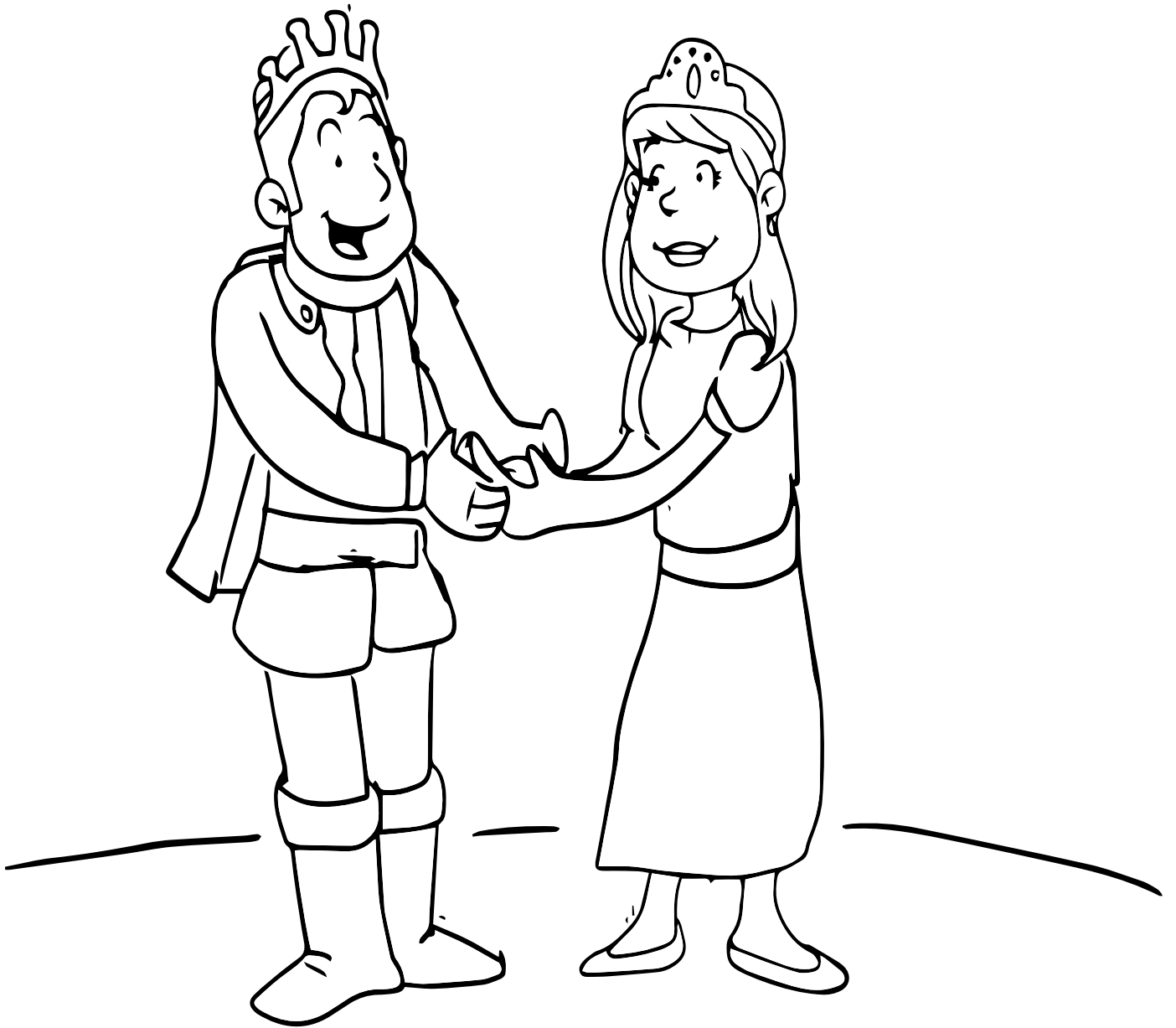
The parrot flew down and took the end of the rope in his mouth and flew back up to the window.



The princess tied one end of the rope to her bed and threw the other end out of the window.

The prince tied the rope to a tree.

The princess then slid down the rope with her cat and parrot.



“Thank you for rescuing me!”,
said the princess.

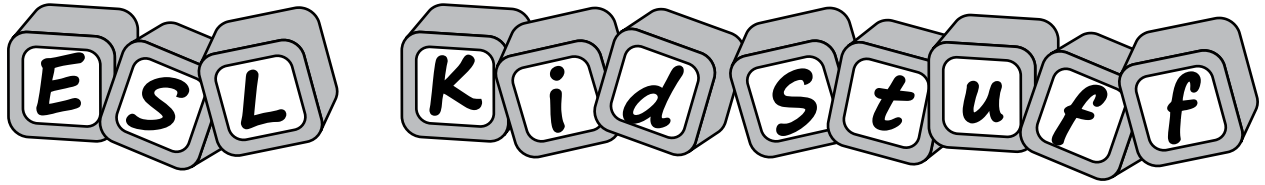
“Let’s quickly run away
before the Queen comes
back”.



The princess jumped onto the back of the prince's motorbike.

They drove away from the castle.

They were soon married and lived happily ever after.



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