

The Emperor's New Clothes

**STUDY GUIDE
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THE EMPEROR'S NEW CLOTHES: FUN WITH FABRICS

NAME _____ CLASS _____

Fabric	Name	Colour	Feel	Rating

Which fabric is fit for an emperor. Why? Write it here...

WORD WATCH

Find out what the trickier words mean in Storytime Issue 30's *The Emperor's New Clothes*.

- ▷ **Parade** – show off something or a procession of people
- ▷ **Flaunting** – showing off
- ▷ **Trickster** – cheats, liars
- ▷ **Extraordinary** – amazing
- ▷ **Summoned** – summoned
- ▷ **Loom** – big frame to weave fabric on

- ▷ **Swindling** – lying, cheating
- ▷ **Intricate** – detailed
- ▷ **Downhearted** – sad
- ▷ **Craftsmanship** – skill, talent
- ▷ **Procession** – parade, march
- ▷ **Applauded** – clapped

COMPREHENSION CHECK

1. What did the emperor spend his money on?

2. What rumour did the tricksters spread?

3. Why did the king want the weavers' cloth?

4. Why did everybody pretend they could see the cloth?

NEWS REPORT!

Pretend you are a newspaper reporter at the parade. Write your headline here!

Think of five ways to describe the invisible cloth using exciting adjectives.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____

WRITE IT!

Write an alternative ending to the story. What happens to the weavers? Maybe the emperor gets embarrassed or angry or even says sorry to his people – you decide!

A large blue-outlined frame with a decorative top and bottom, containing a series of horizontal lines for writing. A cartoon emperor with a crown and a beard is at the bottom left, and a sunburst is at the bottom center.

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Using the pictures, write *The Emperor's New Clothes* in your own words.



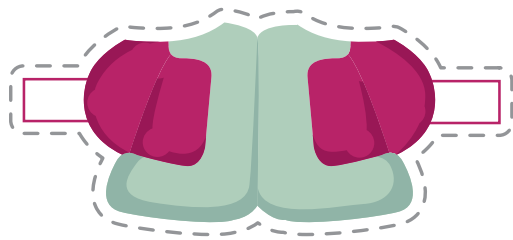
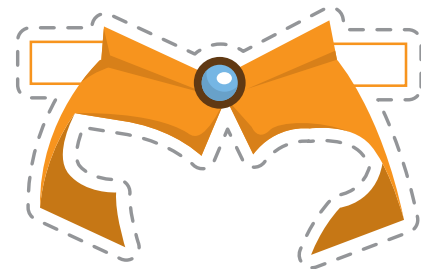
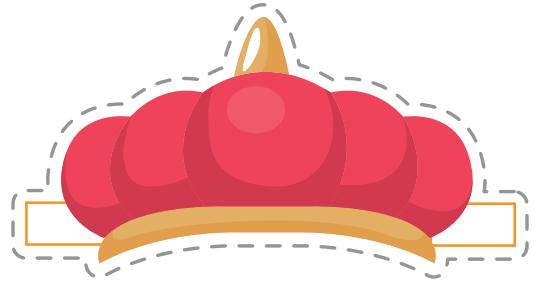
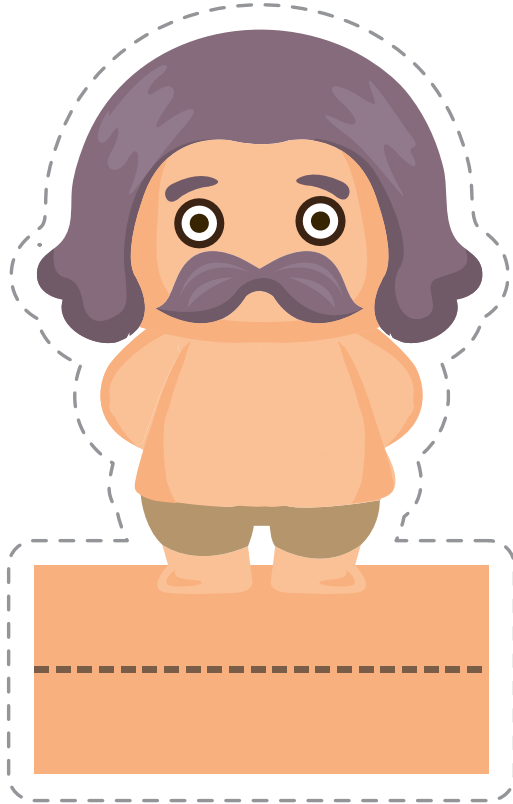






DRESS UP!

Cut out the clothes, choose an outfit for the emperor and dress him up!



TIP!
Use your dressed-up emperor as a puppet to tell the story.

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**COLOURING
SHEET**

Doodle a pattern on the Emperor's outfit!



POST SHOW RESPONSE

"The Emperor's New Clothes"

Here at BCT we strive to Educate, Enrich and Entertain the lives of children through the magic of professional theatre. Please use this guide as a reflection on the performance you have seen and send it back to BCT so we can make your next experience magical!

Dear (who was your favorite character?) _____,

I am (how old are you?) _____ and I am in the _____ grade at (what school do you attend?) _____ . I saw your performance of _____ on _____ (day) _____ (month) _____ (year)! I thought the play was (how did the play make you feel and why?) _____

My favorite part of the play was (what was something that was real to you?) _____

_____. I really liked the character because (what made you like them?) _____ . The set looked like (what did you see?) _____

_____. The music sounded like (what did you hear?) _____

_____. Something else I loved about the play was _____

_____. I would really love to see (what is a play that you think is fun?) _____ performed next at

Birmingham Children's Theatre.

From,

(what is your name?)