



LONG LIVE THE KING'S JACKET

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Sam was looking forward to playing in the yard. But now he's mad. "I don't want this old jacket," he shouts, tossing it away over the bushes. "Whoa," comes a response from the neighbor's yard.

Curious, Sam pokes his head through the bushes.
He sees Lotti with her little dog.

"Why did you throw your jacket over here?" asks Lotti,
a bit puzzled.

"It's not mine," answers Sam. "It's my sister's. I always get
her old stuff when I outgrow my own clothes. I hate it."
After inspecting the jacket, Lotti says: "It's really nice
though, almost like new."





"It's ancient," grumbles Sam. "Our cousin wore it even before my sister had it."
Lotti is puzzled. The jacket doesn't look old at all. Is it even older than Lotti?

"Ah, now I understand why you don't want it," says Lotti after a while. "It really does lack character for an old jacket."
Sam furrows his brow. Does she even understand him? Delighted with herself, Lotti calls out, "I've got an idea!"



Lotti adjusts her crown and proclaims that Queen Lotti urgently requires a trainer for her circus pig. If Sam would be so kind as to teach the royal pig a couple of tricks, her Majesty would be extremely grateful, and Sam's problem would be solved.

Sam has to laugh. Without waiting, he ties on his apron and slips into the role of the royal pig trainer. Sam is obviously having fun and so is the pig, not to mention Lotti.



After a while, Lotti proudly announces:

"See? The jacket looks really old now!"

"True," chuckles Sam, but then he becomes serious again.

"That still doesn't solve my problem. I don't want an old jacket that looks old. I want a new jacket that looks new!"

Now Lotti furrows her brow.

"Look," explains Sam, pointing to the breast pocket.

"Even the zipper puller is missing."

"How did that happen?" asks Lotti. Sam shrugs his shoulders. "No idea. It's been like that for a long time."

"Hmm," replies Lotti, pondering the situation again.

Sam grins. He enjoys playing with Lotti. What's going through her head this time? It's not long before she proclaims once more. "I've got an idea!"



Lotti adjusts her crown and calls out: "Attention brave matadors! Behold the powerful bull! Anyone who can tame this wild animal will be entitled to the Queen's golden amulet!"

Sam swings the red cape around. The bull appears to wait, but then swiftly runs toward the matador. "What an incredible fight," reports Lotti like a commentator.

Sam flops to the ground. "Our hero barely escaped the bull's horn." Sam rolls over. "But what is that? The horn is stuck on a zipper!" Sam manages to free himself and gets back on his feet again. "Olé! Three cheers to the matador!" shouts Lotti. Sam wipes off his face.

Lotti ceremoniously removes a pendant from her bracelet and fastens it to the zipper.





Sam proudly looks at his new zipper puller, a golden skull. Pretty cool, he thinks. "So the zipper puller was taken from a bull, right?" asks Sam in jest. Lotti raises one eyebrow and says: "Well, it could be." Suddenly, the little dog jumps on Lotti. Does he want to play bullfighting again? "Help!" giggles Lotti. Sam immediately jumps into action. "Do not despair my Queen. I've got an idea."

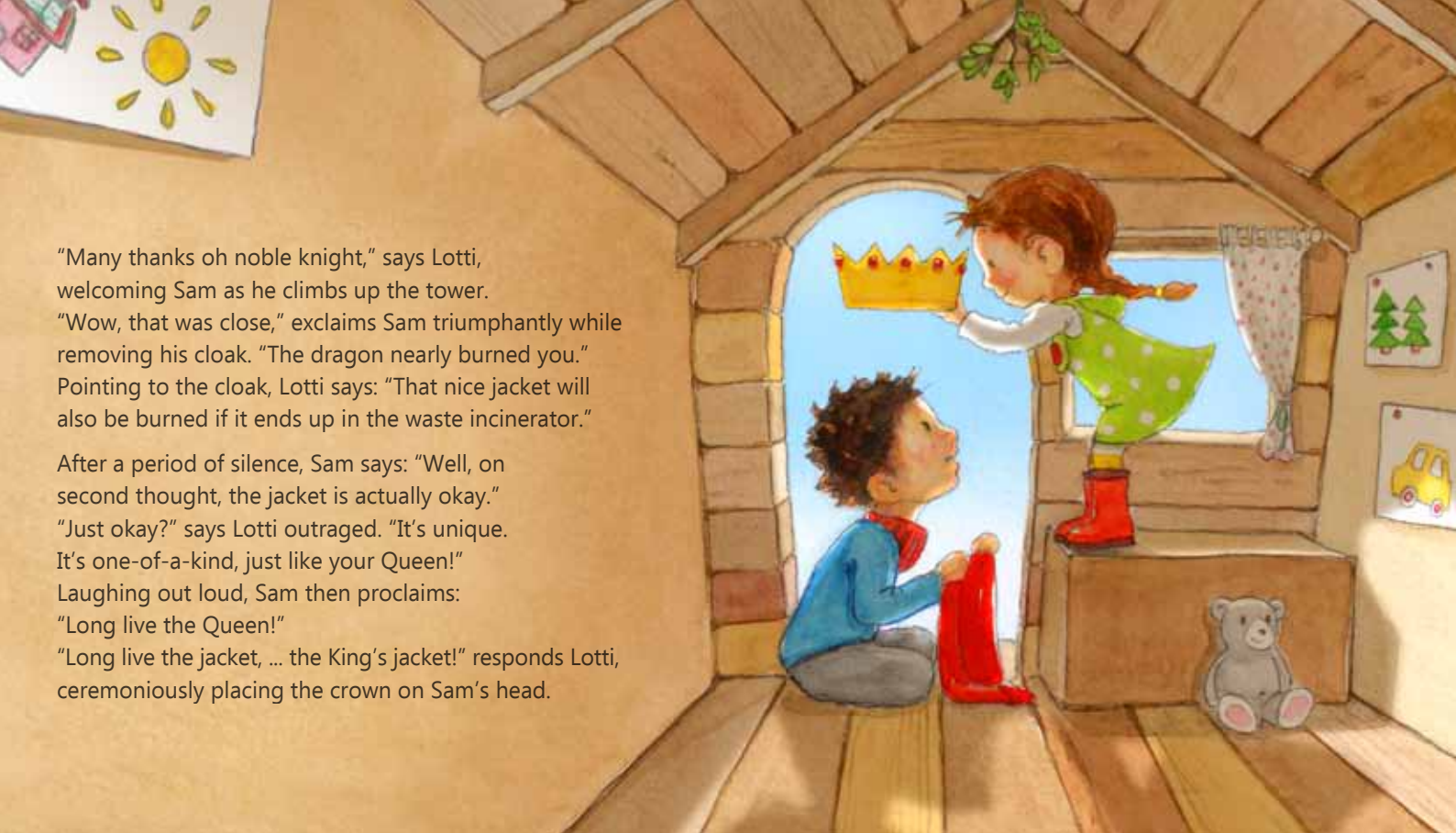


Sam adjusts his cloak. The Red Knight fearlessly attacks the fire-breathing dragon, freeing the Queen from its grip. "Quick! Up to the tower where you will be safe!" shouts Sam. He then ties the whimpering dragon up with his mighty hands.



"Many thanks oh noble knight," says Lotti, welcoming Sam as he climbs up the tower. "Wow, that was close," exclaims Sam triumphantly while removing his cloak. "The dragon nearly burned you." Pointing to the cloak, Lotti says: "That nice jacket will also be burned if it ends up in the waste incinerator."

After a period of silence, Sam says: "Well, on second thought, the jacket is actually okay." "Just okay?" says Lotti outraged. "It's unique. It's one-of-a-kind, just like your Queen!" Laughing out loud, Sam then proclaims: "Long live the Queen!" "Long live the jacket, ... the King's jacket!" responds Lotti, ceremoniously placing the crown on Sam's head.





"Saaam!", calls a voice nearby. It's time to go home.
"Shall we continue playing tomorrow?" asks Sam.
"My pleasure," rejoices Lotti. "Are you going to keep the jacket then?"
Adjusting the crown, Sam proudly declares: "Of course! How could I throw it in the trash? It's the King's jacket, the knight's cloak, my bullfighting cape and the royal pig trainer's apron!"



One day, Sam will outgrow his jacket, but he already has a plan. Whenever it becomes too small, he will give it to Lotti.



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Sam doesn't want his sister's old jacket.
But playing with Lotti and her little dog
changes everything.

Suddenly, he trains a circus pig,
faces a powerful bull and rescues the Queen
from a fire-breathing dragon.

