

# King Midas



King Midas loved gold. One morning a fairy appeared and granted him a wish.

'I wish that everything I touch turns into gold,' said King Midas. He touched his throne and it turned to gold. He ran through the palace gardens touching all the flowers and trees. They all turned to gold.

King Midas was hungry but when he touched his breakfast, it turned to gold. When his daughter, the Princess, hugged him she turned to gold!

'Oh no!' he cried.

The fairy reappeared. She granted him one more wish.

'I wish everything was back to normal!' wished King Midas. Straight away it was. He hugged his daughter. He had learned his lesson. ■

## CHECK-UP

- 1 What did King Midas wish for?
- 2 What happened to everything he touched?
- 3 Why couldn't he eat his breakfast?
- 4 What really upset him?
- 5 What lesson did King Midas learn?