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and the Flower Fairy

Princess Lia

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There was once upon a time, a beautiful princess named Lia. Respect pentr Princess Lia loved flowers a lot, and she took care of the garden around her castle, every day.

> There were plenty of flowers, each more gorgeous than the next: pink and red roses, all-colored tulips, freesias, lilies and daisies. But one of them was different. It was this bright white-colored rose who stood up gloriously as a king among flowers. He always greeted the princess with his petals wide open, as a sign of his gladness to see her.

One day, Princess Lia came into the garden and saw that her rose was closed. Yet, he was shining more brightly. Deeply concerned, she caressed him and asked: "Dear rose, are you alright?"

