

Diamonds and Toads

Vocabulary



disposition
disobliging
tempered
bewitched
pettishly
generous
impatiently

Writing Prompts

What is the symbolism of the use of jewels and snakes?

What is the lesson this tale attempts to convey?

How does the lesson of this tale relate to issues that exist in society today?

Describe the use of deception in this tale and explain.

Multidisciplinary Instruction

ART: Have students make pitchers out of clay.

SCIENCE: Research the characteristics, properties and value of precious gems and stones.

COMPUTER: Use the Internet to find the value of gems and stones. Using computer graphics create a jewel and gem catalogue.

MATH: Assign a monetary value to each type of jewel mentioned in the tale. List the jewel and calculate the value of the gems that have fallen from the young woman's mouth.

Newspaper Activity

Study advertisements in the newspaper. List the information that is provided by advertisements, such as business hours, telephone number, location, etc. Create an advertisement for a jewelry store. Use a graphic or create a logo to brand your business.

Find quotes in today's paper - Are they "diamonds" or "toads"?
