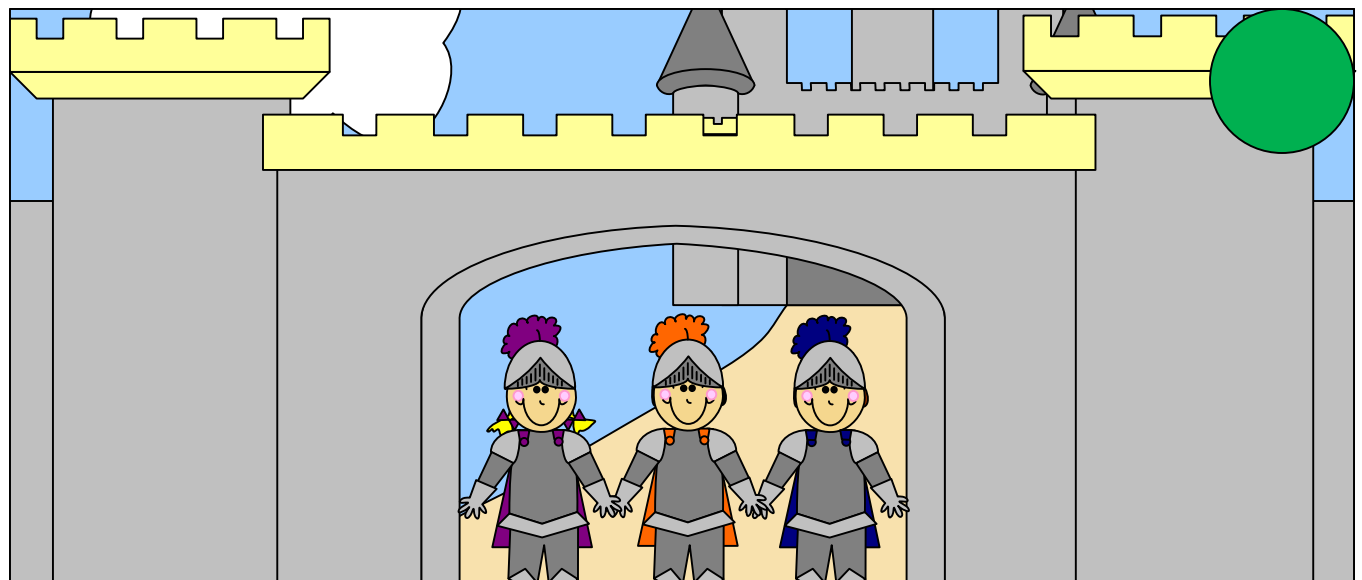


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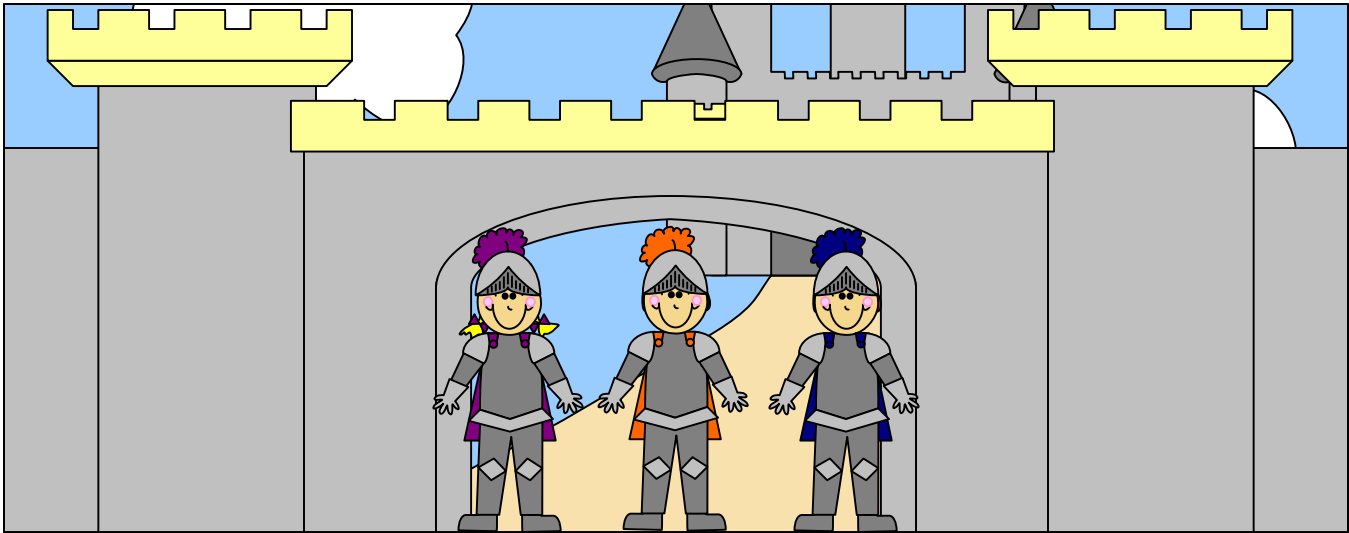
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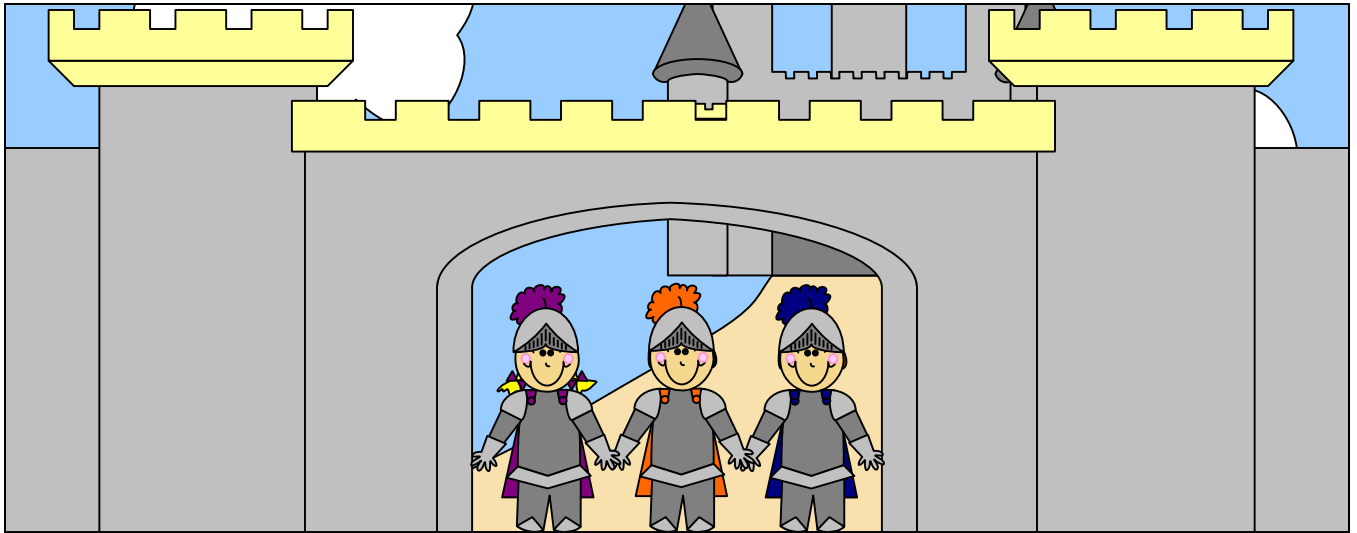


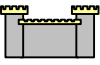
Kate, Nell and Tate are knights. They have helmets and capes.

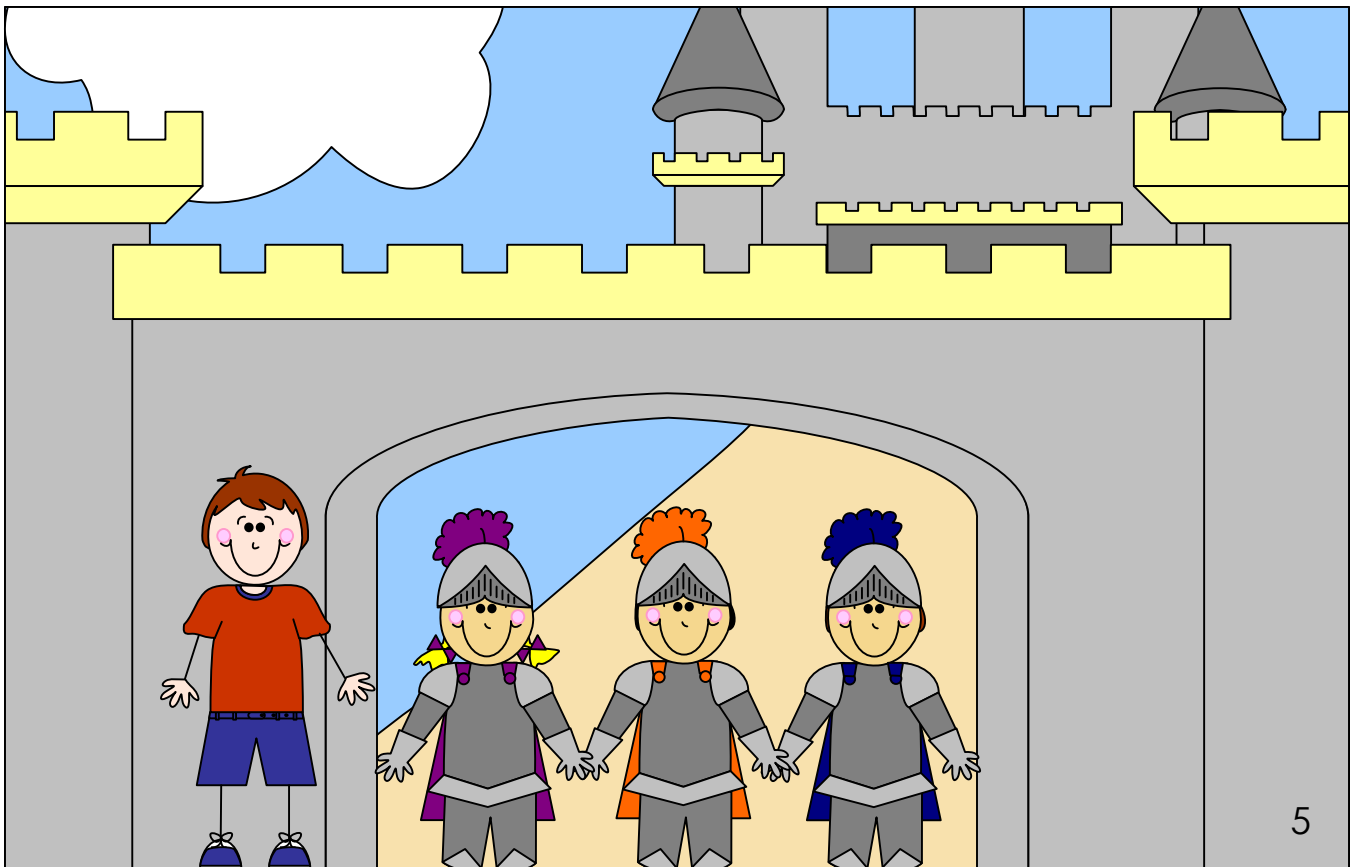
Their job is to stand at the gate to the castle each day. They

keep others from going inside the castle.



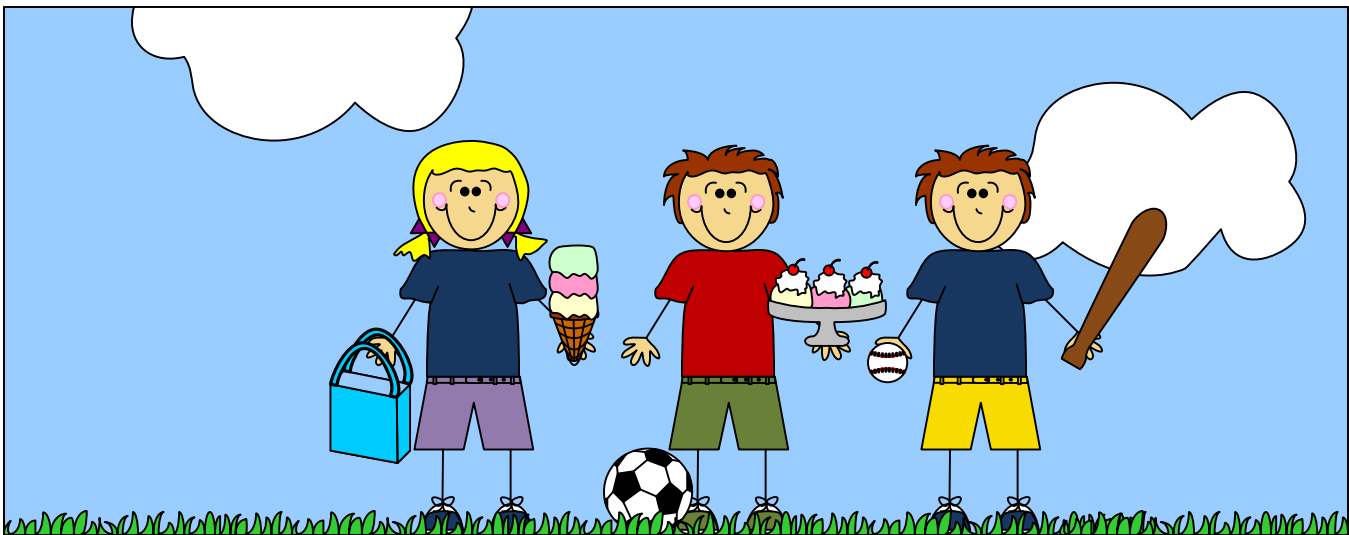


When someone walks up to the gate, the knights yell "Kneel!"  
and they all kneel. They make a wall that no one can get  
  
past.



Each day, the knights stand at the gate. When they see someone walking to them, they kneel. Many times each day, the knights kneel when they see someone walking near them. They have done this so many times, it is a habit.

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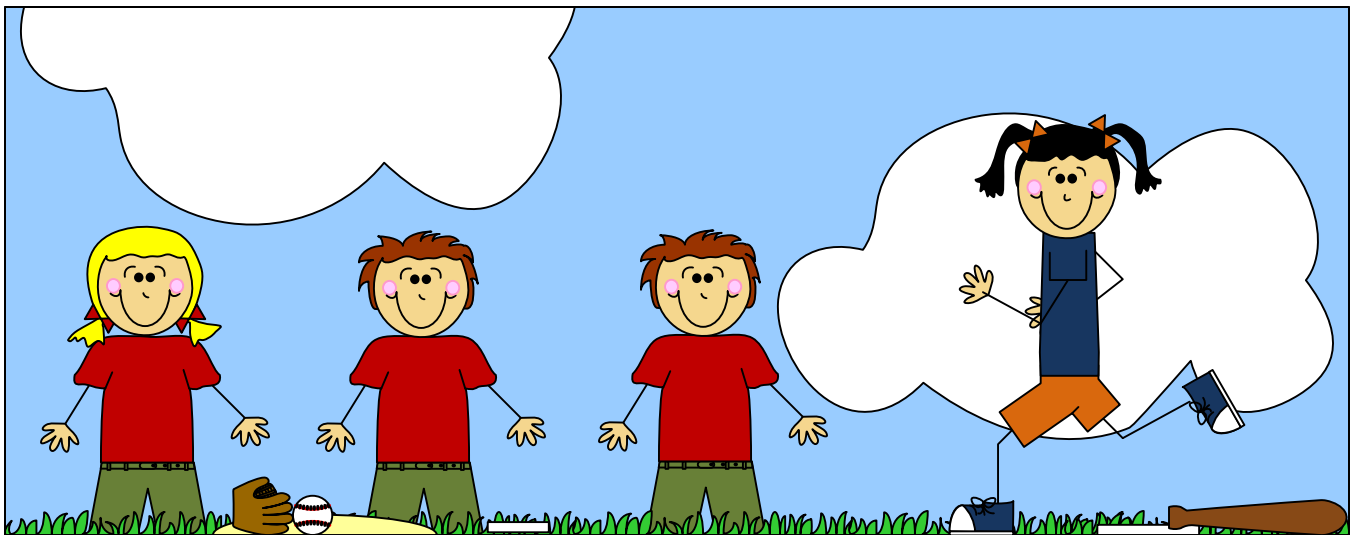


When the knights are not at the gate, they like to do things that others like to do. They like to shop. They like to eat good snacks. They like to play with friends.

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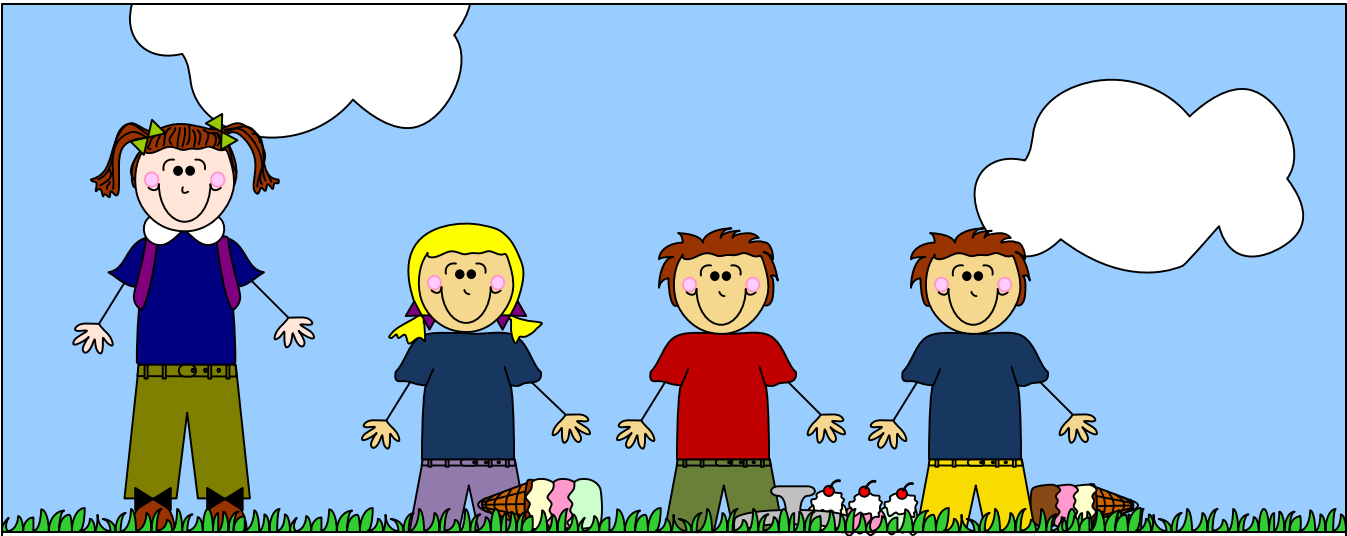
Sadly, the knights have problems doing the things they like to do, because they kneel when they see someone walking. When they are shopping, they drop their things, yell “Kneel!” and kneel when someone walks near them.

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When they are playing with their friends, they drop the ball or things they are playing with, yell “Kneel!” and kneel when their friends run near them.

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When they are eating snacks, they drop the snacks, yell  
"Kneel!" and kneel when they see someone walking  
near them.

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It is difficult for the knights to do the things they want  
because they have a habit of kneeling. Still, they are  
very good knights. They do a good job of keeping  
others from going inside the castle.



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"Knights who kneel," said a man, "I can help you break your habit of kneeling. Then you can do the things you like to do and you will not stop to kneel."

"You can do that?" asked Kate.

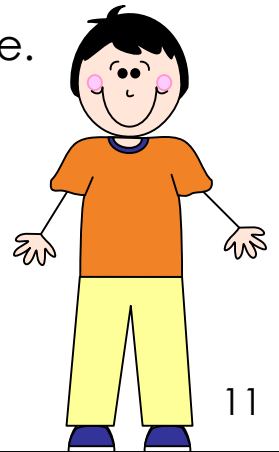
"Yes," said the man. "Just give me one day and you will break your habit."

"That would be nice," Nell said to Kate and Tate.

"Yes. Let's let him help us break the habit we have of kneeling," said Tate to Nell and Kate.

"Okay," the knights said to the man. "Please help us."

"We will start right away," said the man.



The man walked to the gate many times. By the end of the day, the knights did not yell "Kneel!" They did not kneel to make a wall. They had broken their habit.



“You got this habit by standing at the gate and kneeling, so that is where we will break your habit,” said the man.

“Stand by the gate.”

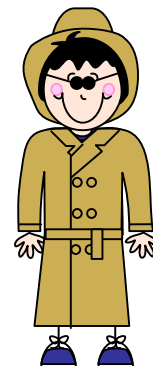
The man walked to the gate. The knights yelled “Kneel!” and knelt on their knees. “No, no, no!” said the man.

“When you see me walking, do not kneel. We will do this many times. Then you will break your habit.”

“Oh!” said the knights. “Okay.”

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The next day, the knights were standing at the gate, keeping others from getting inside the castle. But when a man in a coat, hat, and glasses walked up, the knights did not yell “Kneel!” The knights did not kneel! They had broken their habit, but they had also forgotten what to do to keep others from getting inside the castle!



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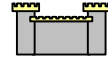


The man just walked passed the gate and up to the castle!



“Oh no!” yelled Nell. “The man is going to get inside the

castle! We did not kneel! We did not make a wall to



keep the man from getting in the castle! Quick! Run and



get him!”

The knights ran to get the man and stop him from going

inside the castle.

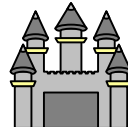


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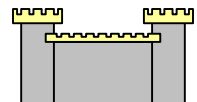
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wall



It was the man who helped them break their habit! He was not a nice man! He had them break their habit so he could get inside the castle! He was a bad man! The knights picked up the man and put him back on the other side of the gate.



“Kneel!” they yelled. They knelt on their knees and made a wall.



“You will not get past us again!” they said. “We will keep kneeling until it is a habit again! Because we are the knights who kneel

and we will keep the castle safe!”

