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There once lived a king and he had three sons and he did not know which one of them he would give the kingdom to after his death. One of the sons was not as wise as the other two and they laughed at him. He said he would give them three tasks and the one that would succeed in all the tasks would have the kingdom. The first task was to bring him the nicest and softest peice of velvet that would go through his ring easily. The three brothers set out and the two brothers went the nice road where lovely flowers grew and the younger brother the one they laughed at went the weary long road. The two brothers kept going on until they got some velvet. The other brother saw nothing but old ditches and stones and swamps. At last he was so tired that he could go no further and sat down beside an old bridge and an ugly looking frog stuck her head over the water and asked him why was he so tired looking. He said that he had come a long weary road in search of a peice of

velvet for his father and that he did not
had want his other brothers to get the kingdom.
h The old frog said that she would do
e all she could for him. The frog went
t as down under the water and brought him
ghed up a beautiful piece of velvet. The
three prince thanked her very much and went
d went on his journey till he came
golden to his father's palace. The other brothers
that arrived about the same and gave the
The velvet to their father. He tried to
put it through his ring but it was
no use. Then he asked his younger
vely son what kind of velvet had he.
the The younger son gave him the velvet
f and he rejoiced on seeing it. He
ing took out his ring and it went through
he it easily. The king said that fifty
ed more pieces like it would go through
t it without any trouble. He then gave them
ould his second task to bring him the tiniest
ide little dog that would fit in a nut shell.
ing They went their same way as before. The
nd young brother sat down beside the
sking bridge and he said "I cannot get
of anything for my father this time. Immediately
the frog put her head out of the

water and said "I will help you." She asked him what did he want this time. He said "A little dog that will fit in a nut-shell." She gave him a nut closed nut-shell and told him to give it to his father and to tell his father to crack it very carefully. He thanked her and told her to he was very thankful and went home to his father. His brothers were there before but all these dogs and terriers were too big. The young brother gave him the nut-shell and told him to crack it carefully. The king cracked it and out on his hand came the tiniest little dog and wagged his tail and barked at the other dogs. The king that was the kind he wanted. He then gave them their last task. To bring him a lovely young lady. The two brothers went the nice road and the other one the weary road. He came to come to old bridge and his friend the frog came up to him. and asked him what he wanted. He told her. She gave him an old carriage and six mice to draw it and another frog for the coachman. The frog told him to

she sit on the top and not to look behind
his him. The old frog came behind him and
ll she was once a beautiful young lady
and a neighbour cast a spell on her
in to stay there at that old bridge until
his some prince came thus. When he came to
He his fathers palace he looked behind
him and he saw a beautiful lady
other walking behind him. The other brothers
ll came with train loads of young
big ladies but none of them was as
t- beautiful. The king said he would give
his kingdom to his youngest son and
out the other brothers went across the sea
te with jealousy and the young son got
ked married to the lady and they reigned
s over the kingdom in peace and happiness
e for many years.

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