Once upon a time there was a poor man who lived with his beautiful daughter. The daughter, Belle, liked to read most of all. "No one will want you!" the village people laughed meanly. "Look at her hair - she looks like a servant girl!" they snickered cruelly. Belle did not know why they talked to her in a mean way. But she said nothing.

Belle and her father lived in a little hut deep in the woods. Living in the hut in the woods was hard work. Each day a fire had to be started, meals cooked, the place cleaned up, the garden tended, and things fixed when they broke. Belle helped her father with the chores.

"She looks like such a mess," stated a woman unkindly, turning up her nose as Belle walked by. "She might as well sleep with the pigs!" replied another maliciously. Belle ignored them, she didn't mind all the hard work because it helped her father.

One day her father said happily, "Daughter, I am going to town. Tell me what fine gift I can bring back for you."

"All I want, Father," answered Belle softly, "is a single rose."

"If that is what you truly want, Belle, that's what I will bring back for you," promised her father truthfully.

## <u>Chilli One</u>

- V. What does 'unkindly' mean?
- I. Why does Belle only ask for a rose?
- P. What do you think would have happened if Belle went to town?
- E. Why do the village people laugh at Belle?
- R. Where does Belle live?
- S. What happens first? Belle's dad foes to town or People laugh at Belle?
- S. List three pieces of information you have learnt about Belle in order.

## Chilli Two

- V. What does 'snickered' mean?
- I. Why didn't Belle mind helping her father?
- P. What do you think would have happened if Belle went to town?
- E. Why does Belle only ask for a rose?
- R. What does Belle help with?
- S. What happens first? Belle helps with the chores or Belle asks for a rose?
- S. List five pieces of information you have learnt about Belle in order.

## Chilli Three

- V. What does 'maliciously' mean?
- I. Why do you think Belle liked to read so much?
- P. What do you think would have happened if Belle went to town?
- E. Why do the town people treat Belle so cruelly?
- R. What chores does Belle have to do each day?
- S. What happens first? Belle ignored to villagers or The village people laughed at her?
- S. List the most important pieces of information you have learnt about Belle in order.