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## **Rumpelstiltskin**



1. What genre (type) of story is Rumpelstiltskin?

2. Who is the main character in the story?

3. At the beginning of the story, what difficult task does the main character need to get done?

How is she able to complete the task?

4. What is the second big problem the main character faces?

5. How is this problem solved?

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6. The beautiful girl in the story is the daughter of a *mill*er. What is a *mill*er?

7. The little man uses the *spinning wheel* to spin straw into gold thread. For what purpose are spinning wheels normally used?

(The story of Rumpelstiltskin is hundreds of years old. Spinning wheels—like the one in the story—aren't used much anymore. Spinning is now done in factories on huge spinning machines.)

8. When the little man comes to take her child, the queen weeps '*piteously*'. To pity someone means to feel sorry for him/her. The word *piteously* describes the way the queen wept. What do you think it means?