

CHAPTER 4

The Sick Princess

On his way home, the King of the Laankos stopped by the lake.

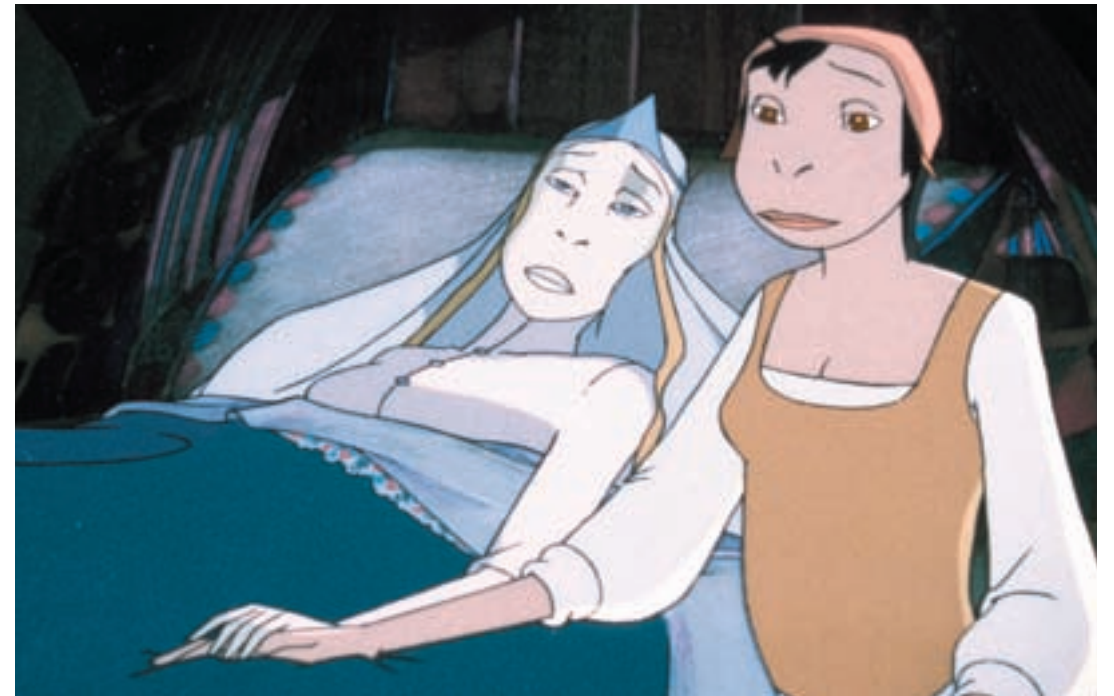


On the other side the King could see land. He longed to go there. He thought that it looked beautiful.

‘I could be happy there,’ he thought.

The King was not happy. He was sad. His only daughter, Princess Ida, was very ill. He did not know how to make her better. She slept all the time and no one could wake her up.

In the castle Gina, a castle servant, spoke to Princess Ida.



Gina and the Princess

‘It’s a beautiful evening, Princess,’ said Gina.
‘Come for a walk!’

The Princess lifted her hand weakly but before Gina could do anything the Princess’s Governess shouted, ‘Get out!’

Later that night, the Governess went to see Sebastian the Chancellor. ‘The Princess tried to speak to Gina,’ she told him.

‘Give the Princess this blue drink,’ said Sebastian.
‘Then she won’t speak to anybody.’