The Happy Prince

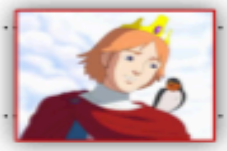
The Happy Prince is a story written by **Oscar Wilde**, an Irish writer and poet. Here is an animated film of The Happy Prince. Watch the video and do the following activities. HYPERLINK "https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IP7ESTU4Pxs"https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IP7ESTU4Pxs

Exercise 1. Are the following statements true or false? Write T for True or F for False.

1.	Once upon a time, a beautiful statue stood in the middle of a town park.	
2.	His eyes and his belt were ornamented with precious gemstones.	
3.	The swallow was left behind because it had got lost.	
4.	The family of the sick child couldn't afford the medicine she needed.	
5.	The swallow took the ruby from the Prince's dagger to the poor writer.	
6.	The swallow dropped the prince's last remaining eye into the girl's hand.	
7.	The swallow refused to fly south because he wanted to stay by the prince and be his eyes.	
8.	As more and more people became happy, the prince's body grew more and more beautiful.	
9.	When the villagers threw the statue into the fire, the prince's heart did not melt.	
10.	God told the angel to bring him the dead swallow and the prince's heart.	

Exercise 2. Watch the video again and answer the following questions.

1. Where did the Happy Prince's statue stand?
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2. Why hadn't the swallow gone south with the other birds?
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3. Why was the Prince sad?
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4. What did the swallow carry to the sick child's house?
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5. Who did the Prince give the gemstones from his eyes to?
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6. Why did the swallow finally decide not to fly south?
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7. Who received the gold leaf that covered the Prince's body?
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8. Why did the swallow thank and kiss the Prince?
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9. What did the villagers decide to do with the statue? Why?
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10. Does the story have a happy ending?
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Exercise 3. Solve the crossword puzzle with suitable words from the story.

Across

1. a valuable stone that is used in jewellery/jewelry (n)
3. to make something more attractive by adding objects to it (v)
5. a short pointed knife that is used as a weapon (n)
7. to pull something quickly to remove it (v)
10. for ever, or for a very long time (adv)
11. a small bird whose tail has two points like a fork (n)

Down

1. freely giving or sharing money and other things (adj)
2. a situation in which someone does not have enough money to pay for their basic needs (n)
4. something that you take when you are ill in order to get well (n)



Exercise 4. Rewrite the following sentences in reported speech.

1. Where did that drop of water come from?
   The swallow wondered
.....
.....

2. Why are you crying, Prince?
   The swallow asked the prince.....
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3. I am crying because I am sad.
   The prince replied
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4. I was once a happy Prince, and all my days were filled with joy.
   He said
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5. That child is very ill, but the family is too poor to buy the medicine she needs.
   The prince explained
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6. Pluck out the ruby from my dagger and bring it to that house.
   The Prince told the swallow.....



