## **Belle's Dreams**

Once upon a time there was a girl named Belle. She lives with her father, an inventor named Maurice, in a small town in France. Belle is a girl who is interested in adventure and she finds her small town boring. She likes to read books, especially history books. She had read all the collections of books in the city library. Belle is also a smart and hard-working girl.

Belle is liked by Gaston because she is a beautiful, smart and independent girl. Gaston is a proud hunter but the dream of the girls in town. After a while, Gaston likes Belle more and more and he proposes to Belle, but Belle refuses because according to Belle, Gaston is an arrogant and cunning man, Belle doesn't like him.

One day Maurice, Belle's father, went to the exhibition but not long after, Belle finds her horse, Philippe, home without Maurice so Belle looks for Maurice. Belle finally arrives at a terrible palace which turns out to be the palace belonging to Beast. Belle finds Maurice captured by Beast. because Belle did not want her father to be imprisoned, Belle bravely exchanged herself with her father so that her father was free.

While Belle was in Beast palace, she had run away because Beast scolded her for carelessly entering the Beast room, therefore Belle didn't like Beast because of the Beast's rude and angry attitude. When Belle runs away, Belle is attacked by wolves in the forest and finally Beast catch up and help her. As a result of helping Belle, Beast is injured and Belle returns to the palace to bring Beast to be treated. Since that incident, Belle has felt guilty and indebted to Beast for helping save her life, so Belle tries to forgive Beast and after that the relationship between Beast and Belle becomes better. Belle and Beast spend more time together while in the palace, Belle and Beast both love to read books, they share their interest of reading so since then Beast have started to have feelings for Belle but Beast have not dared to confess their love for Belle. When Beast wants to express his feelings, Belle says she misses her father instead. Through Beast's magic mirror, Belle sees Maurice sick so that Belle is freed by Beast to meet her father.

Back in town, Belle meets Gaston again and Gaston forces Belle to marry him. Gaston is jealous because he knows Belle is getting closer to Beast. Gaston thought that Belle and Beast were already dating when in fact they were still friends, Gaston misunderstood the closeness of Beast and Belle, finally Gaston locked Belle and her father in the basement at Belle's house. Gaston and the residents that Gaston has incited are hunting Beast. When Gaston went to look for Beast, Belle and his father took the opportunity to escape and after Belle and Maurice managed to get out of the dungeon, they immediately went to Beast Palace but it was too late because Gaston had entered Beast Palace and tried to harm Beast. Beast, much bigger and stronger than Gaston, was about to destroy Gaston but he did not continue his actions because Beast's heart

had become soft. Gaston slyly stabs Beast in the back, but instead he himself falls from the balcony of Beast's room and dies.

Belle, thinking that Beast had died too, Belle felt very sad because she had to lose her best friend. Belle feels like she has failed to be a good friend to Beast because she can't help save Beast, in contrast to Beast who always take care of Belle, Belle remembers Beast that saved her life from the wolf attack in the forest but now Belle can't even save Beast's life. But soon Beast returned. It turned out that Beast survived and had not died, Belle was very happy and immediately hugged him. At this moment, Beast tries to confess his love for Belle but Belle refuses. Belle refused not because she didn't like Beast, but Belle wasn't ready to commit and she just wanted to focus on continuing her education. Belle wants to get a scholarship and make her father happy first, after knowing the reason why Belle rejects Beast, Beast supports Belle's decision and they decide to become friends who love each other.

Belle received a scholarship to continue her education and Beast who remained faithful waiting for Belle to return. A few years later Belle returned with happy news, Belle had graduated and finally met Beast and told how Belle's journey during her education was, Belle was very happy and thanked Beast for supporting her until Belle finally graduated with the best grades. Seeing Belle who told the story very excited and happy, Beast also felt happy but he also felt that there was something in his heart. This is not a feeling of love for a partner, but a feeling of sincere love from seeing Belle happy.

Unexpectedly after that Beast turned into a human because Beast had received sincere love from Belle even though it was from friendship.

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