

Little Princesses: The Rain Princess

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About the Book

Rosie knows a very special secret. Hidden in her great-aunt's mysterious Scottish castle are little princesses for her to find. And each one will whisk her away to another part of the world on a magical adventure!

Imena, the Rain Princess, can't make the rains come, however hard she tries. The river will soon be dry and Imena's tribe is running out of time. But one night Rosie and Imena sneak out of the village to try to discover the real reason for the drought ...

Join Rosie and meet her exciting new friends as she discovers all the *Little Princesses*.

Little Princesses
The Rain Princess

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Red Fox

To Nicole, a real little African princess



Chapter One

ROSIE CAMPBELL SAT at the kitchen table in her great-aunt's castle. "These cookies are delicious, Mum," she said, licking chocolate off her fingers.

"Can I have another, Mum?" asked Luke, Rosie's five-year-old brother, reaching towards the plate.

"You'll go pop!" Mrs Campbell exclaimed. "You've already had two!"

"Three," corrected Rosie, who'd been counting. "*And* half the cookie mixture before we put it in the oven. Greedy guts!" she teased her brother.

Luke stuck his tongue out at her and then looked at their mum with wide blue eyes. "Please, Mum," he begged.

"All right," Mrs Campbell laughed, handing him another cookie. "But this is the last one or you won't have room for lunch."

"You shouldn't make such delicious biscuits, if you don't want us to eat them," Rosie said, quickly helping herself to another before her mum took the plate away.

"It's this wonderful kitchen," her mum replied, looking round at the huge castle kitchen. "It seems to make everything taste good." She smiled happily at Rosie. "You know, I still can't quite believe we're living here."