

Office of Other Land Communications,  
The Land of Sweets  
25th January 2018

Dear High and Mighty Toby,

I hope you are having a lovely, relaxing holiday with the children and teachers in the Land of Moulton.

Unfortunately, here in the Land of Sweets, things are not going well without you. We are having a great deal of trouble in our workshops, and sweet production is grinding to a halt.

On Monday, all the pixies threw down their spoons and refused to make any more toffee, and the next morning, the fairies walked out in protest at the extra workload. We are also having considerable difficulty persuading the trolls to stick to the gobstopper size guide – they insist in believing that human children have mouths the size of small garages.

In my humble opinion, the reason why everyone is so unhappy is that they are used to listening to stories while they work, and unfortunately the Sugar Plum Fairy has lost her story book. Although she has tried her best to make it up as she goes along, I'm afraid that I have to say that this is not where her talents lie...

It all started going downhill when she came up with some ridiculous nonsense which involved her dancing and singing about sunbeams. Nobody was very impressed, and I am very sorry to report that we lost a whole batch of love hearts when the dwarfs decided that the only way they could stop the awful din was by dumping them on top of her.

As you can imagine, the Sugar Plum Fairy was very upset by this and is now refusing to come anywhere near the workshops. We really have no idea what to do next, and so we beg you, Your Highness, to make a swift return to the Land of Sweets. If this is pleasing to you, we will ask Mr. Ivor from the Christmas Decorators to arrange transport fit for your Highness in the next few days.

In the meantime, if you could think about a possible solution for our lack of good stories, we would all be eternally grateful.

Yours sincerely,

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