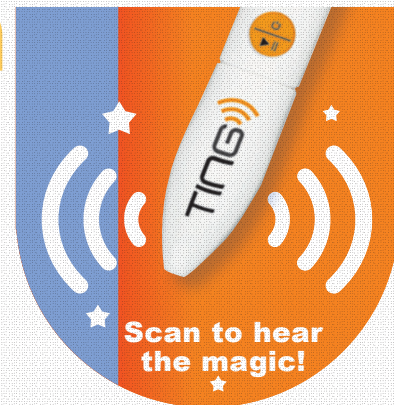


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To be good or evil



WHAT does it mean to be 'evil'? Can people do a wrong thing for a good reason? Can something that looks evil actually be good? A new Disney film explores all these questions, and is the sequel to *Maleficent*. The title character may look evil but she is not what she seems.





Return to the dark side

WE have all heard of the story of *Sleeping Beauty*, but Disney remixed the story in its 2014 live-action film *Maleficent*, which shows the reason why the fairy turned evil for a while. Now it has a **sequel**, *Maleficent: Mistress of Evil*. Has Maleficent returned to her evil ways once more?

Back for more trouble

THE first movie ended happily, with peace being made between humans and the fairies. Now, Prince Philip has **proposed** to Princess Aurora, and the two are set to get married. While the wedding preparations are underway, Aurora's future mother-in-law, Queen Ingrith, tries to **take Aurora under her wing**. But all of a sudden, Maleficent attacks the queen, and is chased away from the castle, again.



The origins of evil

IN 2014, Disney made a new *Sleeping Beauty* movie, but from the point of view of the 'evil' fairy, Maleficent. Aurora's father, King Stefan, and Maleficent used to be friends, but he one day stole her wings. Hurt and angry, Maleficent **curse**d Stefan's baby daughter, Aurora, and watched her grow up from afar. Eventually, Aurora's inner goodness **won over** Maleficent, and finally Maleficent saved her after the curse came true.



Sleeping Beauty rebooted

THE origin of the *Maleficent* movies comes from the fairytale *Sleeping Beauty*, in which a princess is cursed to fall into a deep sleep on her 16th birthday, after being pricked by a **spindle**. She can only wake up when her true love kisses her. This is the same story that was adapted for Disney's 1951 animated movie, with a prince kissing Sleeping Beauty awake at the end. But in *Maleficent*, the person who kisses the princess awake – on the forehead – is Maleficent herself because the fairy was like a mother to Aurora.



Which Disney film did Maleficent first appear in?

A. *Sleeping Beauty* B. *Maleficent* C. *Maleficent: Mistress of Evil*

Answers on P12

sequel (n) 續集 propose (v) 向...求婚 take someone under one's wing (v phr) 照料某人

Vocabulary

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curse (v) 咀咒

win over (v phr) 說服

spindle (n) 紡錘