

The Underpants

This is a story about bottoms. I'll bet you're wondering why. Well, you'll soon find out. There once was a very famous, elegant movie star who bragged about owning three wonderful things: a fantastic comb made out of sequoia root, a ring made from a moon stone, and a pair of hand-painted underpants, the only ones of their kind in the world.

And now you know why this story has to do with bottoms, because it's all about a pair of "Underpants".

The story starts one day when the underpants were very dirty. And what do you do with clothes when they're dirty? You put them in the washing machine. And that was where, while spinning round and round, the underpants came face to face with a silk stocking. The underpants liked that stocking so much that he wanted to take her out.

"Hi, honey, what's your name?"

"I'm not in the mood for talking," she said, cutting him off.

"At least tell me which leg you work on?" insisted the underpants.

"I like you just the way you are, gorgeous, because you're good for keeping a leg warm and for making it beautiful."

That filthy piece of cloth was making her very edgy.

"Didn't you hear me? I don't want to talk to you!"

"I don't care! I want to talk to you!" insisted the underpants.

"Haven't you ever heard of the word 'respect'?" asked the stocking.

"I don't know what you're talking about. Apart from being the most beautiful underpants in the whole wide world, I own a sequoia root comb and a fabulous ring made out of moon stone," he lied, since the real owner of both things was the famous movie star.

The stocking was unimpressed.

Then the underpants changed tactics and got closer and closer to the stocking.

"Get away from me or I'll scream!" shouted the frightened stocking.

"Hey, take it easy! Don't be such a ninny!" shouted the underpants, when the washing machine stopped.

And what do you do with clothes after you take them out of the washing machine? You hang them out to dry.

Once they were hung out, underpants saw that he was being held up by a clothes pin. So he started trying to get to first base again, this time with her.

"Hi, sweetheart, I love the way your fingers are holding on to me! How about a little kiss?"

"How dare you, you brazen fool!" answered the clothes pin angrily.

"I'd go even further: you're a fool and a brazen one at that!" added her twin sister.

And without letting him get in another word, the clothes pins opened, letting the underpants fall to the ground. As they were falling, underpants thought, "That clothes pin has no idea what she's missing. One day she'll realize that she once held onto the most beautiful underpants in the world."

Underpants landed in a basket of clothes, face to face with a pair of scissors. He didn't lose a minute's time before he started trying to make it with the scissors.

"Good afternoon, scissors! I hope you won't cut me off if I tell you something-I've never seen a girl before with such long legs. How I'd love to dance with you. I'm sure we'd win an Oscar dancing together..."

"An Oscar, you and me?! That's a laugh! You know what you are? An idiot!" and as soon as the words were out, the scissors opened and without thinking twice, slashed into the underpants.

After a while, the holey but undaunted underpants found himself next to the comb and tried sucking up to her to see if he could at least make it with her:

"My dear comb, after all the years we've spent together, I've never noticed how perfect your teeth are. Can I ask you something-would you like to be my girlfriend?"
"How dare you ask me a thing like that? Don't you know that I've been engaged to the ring for over a year?"

The next day, when the famous actor was getting dressed to go and shoot part two of the film "Five Weddings and a Baptism", he picked up the underpants, but when he saw that they had a hole in them, he brought them directly to the utility room and hung them up next to the mop and broom. Without realizing what had hit him, underpants, as vain as could be, soon started bragging in front of his new mates:

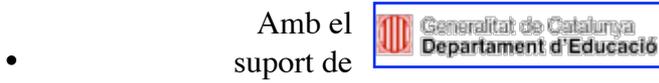
"Haven't you heard of me? I was one of the most handsome underpants in the world, and a born Casanova. Women swooned at my feet. First, I was engaged to a silk stocking. Exhausting. She was always spinning around by my side. She'd never leave me alone. A clothes pin also fell in love with me: she wanted to hold on to me forever, but since I'm a gentleman I won't go on. After that I went out with a pair of scissors. Even though she was a great dancer, she was always cutting me so I got tired. The poor girl gave me this horrible scar the day I told her I was leaving her. And what can I tell you about the comb, the famous sequoia root comb? After combing me so much, she fell madly in love with me, but she chewed so much gum that her teeth started falling out, and as I'm sure you'll understand, a pair of handsome-looking underpants like me can't go out with a toothless comb!

As he was finishing his story, a hand opened the closet, took hold of the underpants and a voice could be heard saying:

"Look, take this dirty rag. You have your art class today and you can use it to clean the brushes."

So there you have it. A perfect end for such a vain person, don't you think?

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