

# Shrek



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# Characters



Shrek

An Ogre



Princess Fiona

A lonely princess



Donkey

A talking donkey



Lord Farquaad

A short & arrogant dictator



Dragon

A fire dragon  
guarding Princess Fiona

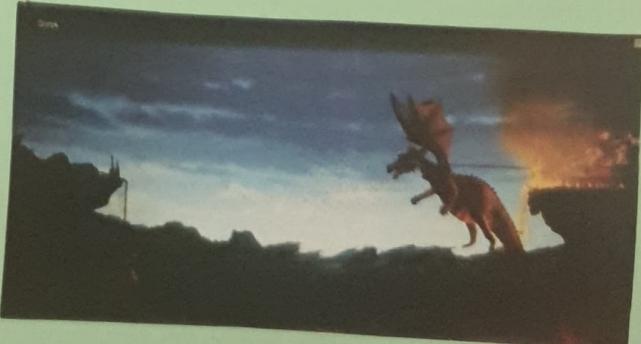
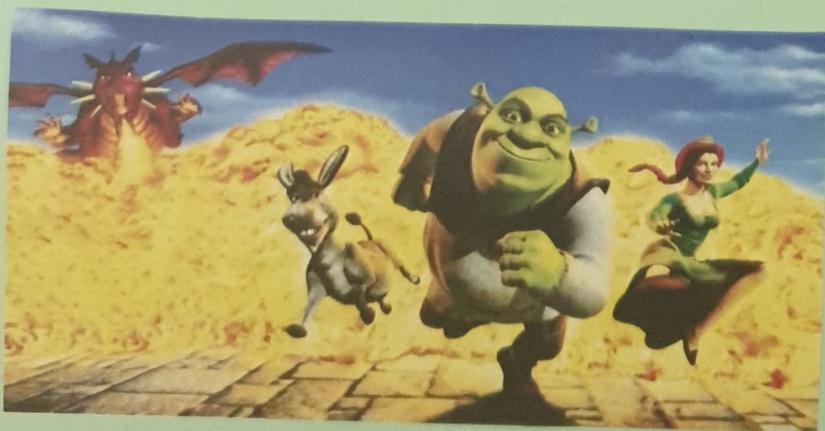
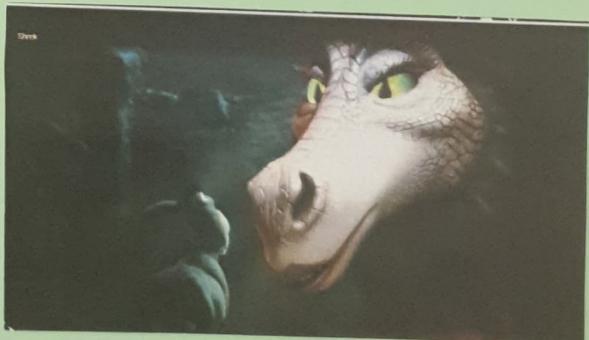
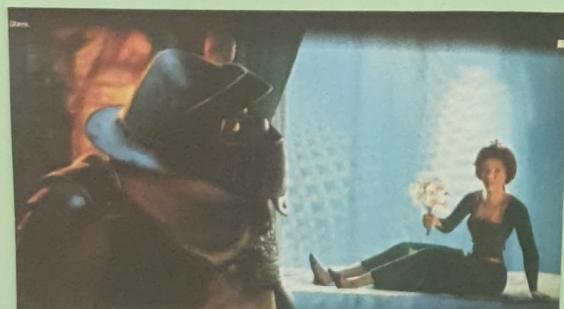
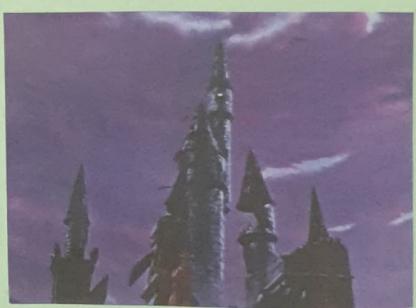
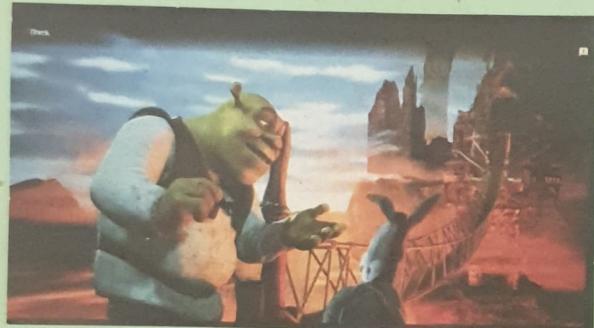
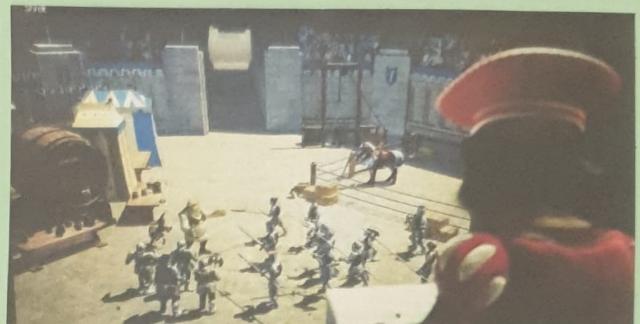


# Summary

Once upon a time there lived a big, green, terrifying ogre named Shrek. He wanted to live peacefully in isolation and hated anyone who infiltrated in his space. He would scare away everyone who came to the swamp. One day, when he was making signboards warning trespassers, he met a donkey who was trying to escape from getting caught by Lord Farquaad's soldiers. The donkey was happy to see the ogre and expected help from him. The donkey was extremely talkative and he told Shrek that he was called 'donkey.' He managed to convince him to let himself stay with Shrek but Shrek was irritated by his company and told him to stay outside his house and not come in.

That night Shrek was disturbed by the sound of a crowd of fairy-tale characters. He got irked and interrogated why they were there. They said that they forced to stay in the swamp as Lord Farquaad had pushed them out of their territory. Shrek wanted his swamp back for himself and hence decided to go on a quest to confront Lord Farquaad. He took Donkey along with him because he knew where Duloc, the capital town of Lord Farquaad was.

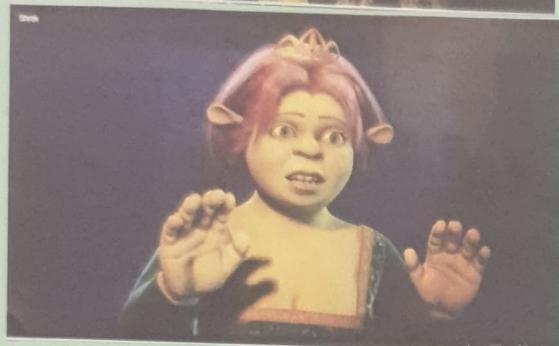
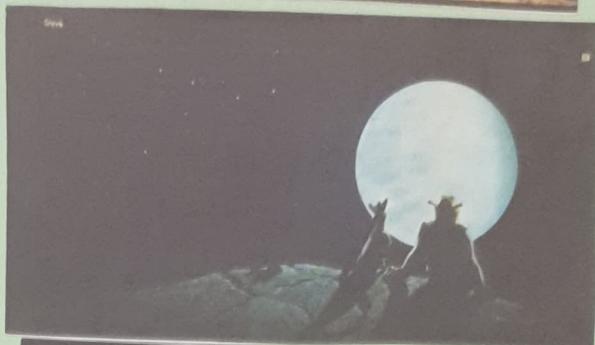
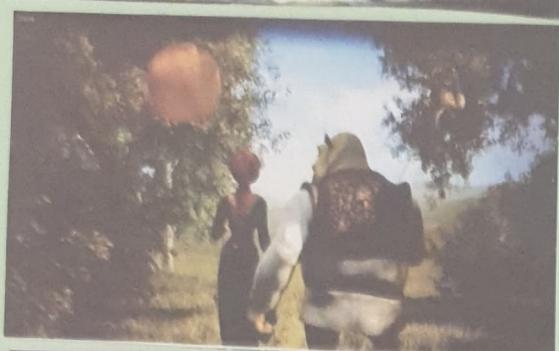
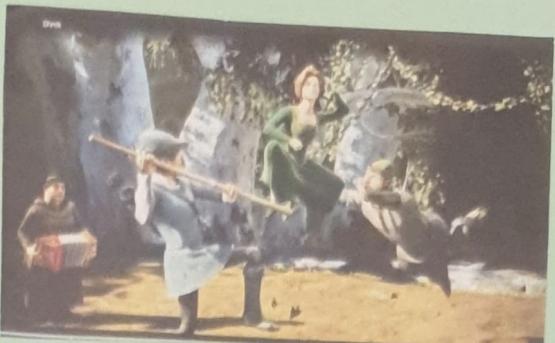
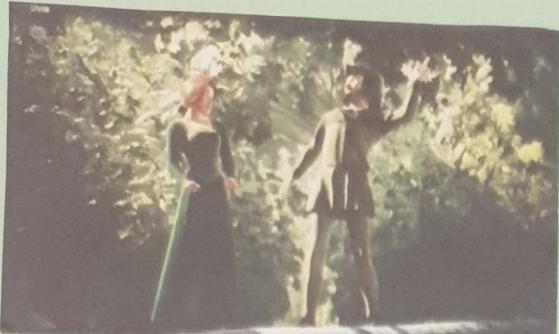
Meanwhile, Lord Farquaad was torturing the Gingerbread man to enquire where the fairy-tale



characters had escaped. One of the soldiers approached him to inform him that they had found the Magic Mirror. Lord Farquaad looked at the mirror and demanded it to tell him if his kingdom was a perfect one. The mirror replied that it was not a kingdom... yet as he was not a king. To be a king, he had to marry a princess and gave him options of three eligible bachelorettes. Number one - Cinderella. Number two - Snow White. Number three - Princess Fiona. Before the mirror could disclose what happens at night to the Princess, Lord Farquaad declared that he will marry Princess Fiona.

When Shrek and Donkey reached Duboc, it seemed to be deserted. Suddenly, Shrek heard some noise and went to check where it came from. When he reached there, he heard that there was going to be a competition between the brave to choose a champion. Shrek found himself in the middle of the arena and was forced to fight all the contestants around him. He was declared champion by Lord Farquaad and before he could explain why they were there, Farquaad asked him to go on a quest to defeat a dragon and get him Princess Fiona. He agreed to do it but demanded that he should get a swamp back for himself.

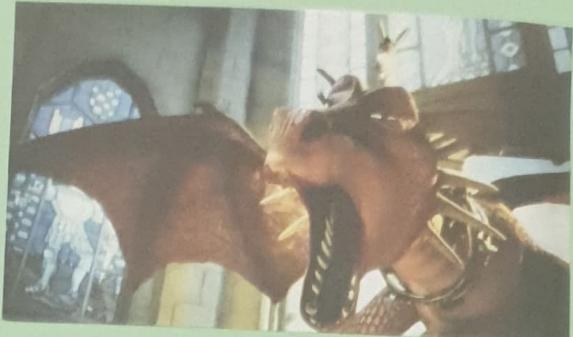
After a few days, he reached the mountain and searched the castle. He knew that the princess was in the tallest tower. He fought the dragon and got to the princess. While going out he captured the dragon. He told princess Fiona to go to him. Fiona thought that Shrek was her true love and would be kissed by him and get



redeemed from her curse. But Shrek explained to her that he was taking her to Lord Farquaad. On the way back they were attacked by a group of people who were led by Monsieur Hood. The princess chased them away with her martial art moves. In this entire process Shrek gets shot by an arrow. Princess Fiona and Donkey together help him to recover.

They halt for the night and Donkey enters the area where princess Fiona is resting. To his surprise he sees an ugly ogre in princess Fiona's clothes and gets scared thinking that woman had eaten princess Fiona. She explains to donkey that she is cursed to be like this until she is kissed by her true love. In that conversation she explains that she loves shrek but doesn't want him to see her like that. Shrek overheard a part of the conversation and misunderstands everything before he could admit his love to the princess.

The next morning, he calls Lord Farquaad to get the princess. The princess agrees to marry Lord Farquaad the same day as she is afraid that he will see her ugly side. During that day donkey explains that shrek got it all wrong and the princess actually loves him. Just while lord farquaad and princess fiona are about to complete their marriage vows, Shrek and Donkey appear on the scene riding on the dragon. Shrek admits his love to princess fiona. They kiss each other and Princess Fiona turns into an ogre completely and permanently.



Shrek and princess Fiona get married. During the ceremony, the dragon eats lord Farquaad. In the end, Shrek, princess Fiona and Donkey live happily ever after at the swamp.



# Favourite Character

'Donkey' is the most beloved characters of the movie 'Shrek'. He is my favourite character as he is loving, truthful, friendly and has an extremely helpful nature. He is also very entertaining and always makes every scene lively with his enthusiasm and sense of humour.

His loving trait is displayed multiple times during the movie especially when he helps Shrek overcome his fear of asking Princess Fiona's hand in marriage. His truthful trait is shown where he encourages Shrek to ask Fiona himself to see if she loved him. He did this because he had promised Fiona not to reveal her secret to anyone about her transformation into an ogress until she decided to do so. This shows that he is someone who is trustworthy as he kept his promise. His quality of being a great friend is also visible multiple times during the movie especially when he sees Shrek has been shot by an arrow, he was willing to do anything to get his friend back and blindly listened to the princess to get a blue flower with red thorns. His nature to be helpful is evident many times especially where he readily helps Shrek find the castle of Lord Farquaad even though Shrek was rather rude to him at the start of the movie. He also helps Shrek find Princess Fiona and fight the dragon. He also helps the princess talk her bottled up feelings out and is largely responsible to help both his friends - Fiona and Shrek to overcome loneliness and gain happiness.

I strongly think having a friend like 'Donkey' would truly be a blessing for anyone.



# Moral

The story teaches us many lessons about friendship, togetherness, bravery and many other virtues. The two main themes that stood out for me were firstly we should always be forthcoming in helping our friends take their difficulties and help them grow in their lives. Secondly, we should never judge a book by its cover. This means that we cannot build an impression about someone merely by their appearance or the first encounter we have had with them.