

DAWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL
HOMEWORK: ENGLISH (TASK 4)
GRADE III

Instructions: Complete the task on print of the same worksheet.

Read the passage carefully and answer the given questions.

King Midas

King Midas was a very kind man who ruled his kingdom fairly, but he was not one to think very deeply about what he said. One day, while walking in his garden, he saw an elderly satyr asleep in the flowers. Taking pity on the old fellow, King Midas let him go without punishment. When the god Dionysus heard about it, he rewarded King Midas by granting him one wish. The king thought for only a second and then said 'I wish for everything I touch to turn to gold.' And so it was.

The beautiful flowers in his garden turned the sun for light, but when Midas approached and touched them, they stood rigid and gold. The king grew hungry and thin, for each time he tried to eat, he found that meal had turned to gold. His lovely daughter, at his loving touch, turned hard and fast to gold. His water, his bed, his clothes, his friends, and eventually the whole palace was gold.

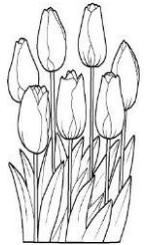
King Midas saw that soon his whole kingdom would turn to gold unless he did something right away. He asked Dionysus to turn everything back to the way it had been and take back his golden touch. Because the king was ashamed and very sad, Dionysus took pity on him and granted his request. Instantly, King Midas was poorer than he had been, but richer, he felt, in the things that really count.

1. Why did Dionysus reward King Midas?

2. King Midas was: thoughtful, stingy, kind and fair, or wicked and cruel

3. Which of the following did not turn to gold?

- a. His daughter
- b. His castle moat
- c. The flowers in the garden
- d. Midas' food



4. In the end what did King Midas ask Dionysus to do?

5. What did King Midas wish for when Dionysus granted him one wish?

6. What does 'the Midas touch' mean?
