

The Similarities and Differences Between “King Long Shanks” and “The Emperors New Clothes”

What could a frog king and a rich emperor have in common? “The Emperors New Clothes and King Long Shanks” are actually two very similar stories. They have the same basic plot where two characters pretending to be weavers come and trick the king/emperor into buying a magic cloth which does not really exist. These two books also have the same theme, which is that loyalty and honesty are much more important than clothes. Another thing that these stories have in common is the main character. Both stories have a main character who is kind of selfish and cares about wealth and clothes more than the more important things in life. “King Long Shanks” and “The Emperor’s New Clothes” are similar for many reasons. I think that they are both good stories.

Although “King Long Shanks” and “The Emperor’s New Clothes” are similar, they also have their differences. The weavers are different in a few ways. One way being that in “King Long Shanks” the weavers recite poems in the king’s ear, but in “The Emperor’s New Clothes” they do not. Also, in “King Long Shanks”, the weavers are frogs. Another reason why these stories are different is because of what happens in the middle. In “The Emperor’s New Clothes”, The Emperor sends his government officials to go check on the cloth. However, in “King Long Shanks”, King Long Shanks is sitting with the queen and the princess eating flies and watching the weavers weave nothing. My last reason why these stories are different is the fact that they have different endings. At the end of “King Long Shanks”, the queen turns out to be the most loyal of them all, but in “The Emperor’s New Clothes”, the story ends without a real resolution. “He held himself stiffer than ever, and the chamberlains walked on, holding up the train which was not their at all.” That is the ending in “The Emperor’s New Clothes”. “King Long Shanks” and “The Emperors New Clothes” are both similar and different. They each have their ups and downs, but they are both good stories.