



# Jennifer the Hairstylist Fairy

To Lizzie with love

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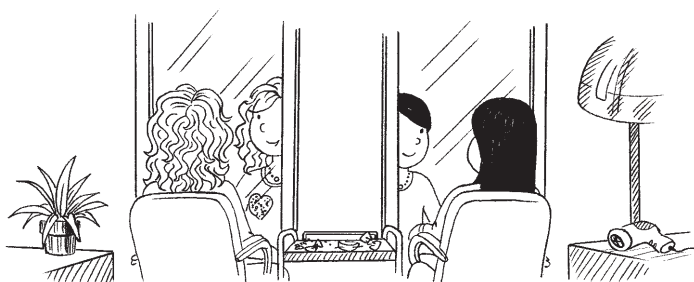
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Kirsty Tate and her best friend, Rachel Walker, gazed into the salon mirrors with excitement. They were sitting side by side, waiting to have their hair cut in the coolest salon in town — Snip & Clip.

“What’s it going to be, girls?” asked Blair, the head hairstylist.

“I just want a trim,” said Kirsty.





“What about you, Rachel?” asked Claire, the other stylist. “Are you going to try something more daring?”

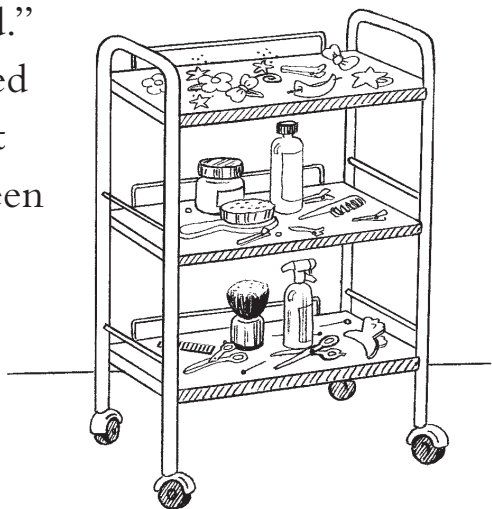
Rachel’s eyes sparkled as she looked at Claire in the mirror.

“I’d really love to have lots of tiny braids all over my head,” she said. “Could you do that?”

“There’s nothing that Claire can’t do with hair!” said Blair with a laugh.

“Let’s get started.”

The girls looked down at the cart that stood between them. It was full of special hairdressing scissors, combs and brushes,





pretty barrettes, headbands, and jewels. They looked up and smiled at each other.

“I love getting my hair done,” said Rachel. “It’s even more fun when you’re here with me!”

Kirsty was spending the fall break in Tippington with Rachel. As a special treat, Mrs. Walker had brought them to the new salon in the Tippington Fountains Shopping Center. Mrs. Walker was reading a magazine in the waiting area. She was planning to have her hair styled for a party that she and Mr. Walker were going to that night.

“Tippington Fountains is the best mall ever,” said Kirsty. “We’re so lucky — we’ve visited every single day since it opened!”





The gleaming new chrome and glass shopping mall had had its grand opening at the start of the week.

“Are you girls involved in the design competition?” asked Blair.

He snipped at Kirsty’s hair and then paused, frowning at his scissors.



“They certainly are,” said Mrs. Walker, looking at them proudly. “They were both chosen to model their outfits in the fashion show at the end of the week!”

“Wow!” said Claire as she tugged at the tangles in Rachel’s curly blond hair.



“You must have done a great job. Isn’t the competition being judged by Ella McCauley, the famous designer?”



“Yes, and also Jessica Jarvis, the supermodel,” said Rachel, nodding. “They were really nice at the design workshop.”

“So, tell us about your outfits,” said Blair.

“I made a dress out of colorful scarves, with a long, flowy skirt,” said Kirsty.

“Rachel painted a glittery rainbow on her old jeans. They look so cool now!”

“I love doing that,” said Claire with a





smile. “It’s so much fun bringing an old outfit back to life.”

“We could show you how to do some great hairstyles for the fashion show,” said Blair.

“Absolutely,” Claire agreed. She did a few test braids in Rachel’s hair. “I have to find a way to get these tangles out of your hair, Rachel. I’m just going to the storeroom to get some detangling spray.”

“I’ll come, too,” said Blair. “I need a new pair of scissors. Every pair I pick up seems to be dull!”

Claire and Blair walked into the storeroom just as Mrs. Walker gasped in the waiting area. She jumped up and came over to the girls.

“Look at this!” she said, showing them the magazine she had been reading.







It was the latest issue of *The Fountains Fashion News*. The day before, Rachel and Kirsty had helped the magazine's reporter, Nicki Anderson, interview Ella McCauley.

"Ooh, is the article in there already?" asked Rachel.

Mrs. Walker nodded.



"It's really interesting," she said. "Good job, both of you! It's a real shame they couldn't find a better photo of Ella, though."

"What do you mean?" asked Kirsty.

Mrs. Walker handed the magazine to

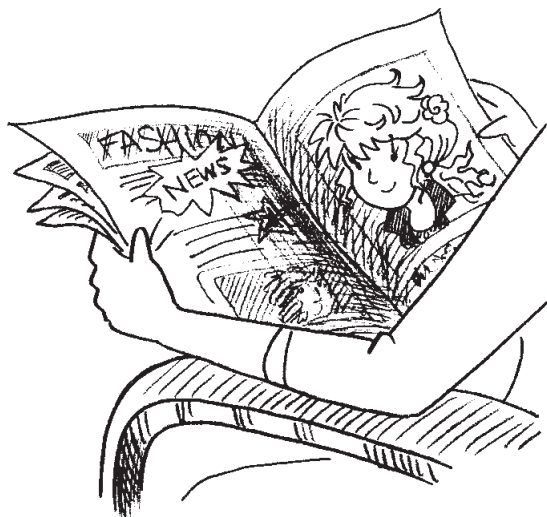




Kirsty. Kirsty and Rachel gasped. Ella's hair looked awful!

"It looks like she just got out of bed," said Rachel. "Ella usually looks so elegant. She didn't look that messy yesterday."

Kirsty looked closely at the photo.



"That's funny," she said. "It's almost as if her hair has a blue shadow to it!"





She turned the page and let out a cry of surprise. There was a photo of their supermodel friend, Jessica Jarvis, whose hair was pulled back in a sloppy ponytail.

“Her hair is definitely blue,” said Mrs. Walker. “I don’t think it looks very nice, do you?”

Rachel and Kirsty exchanged a worried glance. Could this be the work of Jack Frost and his goblins?

