



As the princess looked around, she saw the Tang Priest approaching, so she took the coloured ball and tossed it to him.



The ball hit the Tang Priest on the head. At once everyone shouted, "She's hit a monk! She's hit a monk!"



The Tang Priest grumbled at Monkey for taking him there. "Go to the palace to see the king," Monkey replied with a laugh. "If the princess insists on marriage, you must say to the king, 'Please send for my disciples so that I can take my leave of them.' When I am summoned to court, I'll be able to tell whether the princess is real or not."



Palace maids and high and low palace officials came running together. The princess took hold of the Tang Priest and they got into the royal carriage. The procession returned to the palace gates.



The king was most displeased to hear that his daughter had hit a monk, but since it was so, he asked the princess and his future son-in-law to enter the court.