

THE LOST PRINCESSES OF CANDY COVE



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One beautiful Spring day, two little detectives, McKinley and Madison, explored their backyard. By a garden stood a miniature village. Looking down with her magnifying glass, McKinley discovered the village was alive with little people.

Below, in the magical kingdom called Candy Cove, eight elves shouted, “Oh no!”

“The Giants above have discovered us! We must solve the ancient riddle and find our long-lost princesses. Only they can save us!” said Elf M (also known as Milky Way).

Elf I (Idaho Spud) declared “There are three wise men (Father Anagram, Father Abbreviation, and Father Acronym) who can help solve the ancient riddle—they’re here on the Cove!”

Elf M, C (Candy Cane), K (Kit Kat), I (Idaho Spud), N (Nestle Crunch), L (Laffy Taffy), E (Eye Poppers), and elf Y (York P.P.) quickly set off on their journey.



After scaling two mountain peaks, and crossing a wide river, they reached a small house made of straw and mud. Inside there were three old men dressed in long robes wearing wizard hats. Their white hair fell to their ankles.



Father Anagram spoke first, "I know why you're here, but you are not the eight elves of legend. The letters of your names do not create two different words"

Father Abbreviation agreed, "look at their sweaters, their initials aren't short for anything! Imposters!"

Father Acronym disagreed," Brothers you forget! The first letter of the names of the special eight elves make up all of the letters of the Queen's name!"



“McKinley! The elves have spelled your name!”
Madison boomed as she gazed down through her
magnifying glass.

“M-C-K-I-N-L-E-Y!” shouted the elves together. A
sudden poof of smoke revealed that the two giant
observers were the long-lost Candy Cove Princesses.
They were transformed, with tiaras covered in candy
pieces and chocolate bits, their long gowns pink like
cotton candy.



Queen McKinley gazed down at her kingdom, “Dear friends, have no fear. Your Queen and Princess are here to protect you. You will always be safe here on Candy Cove.”