

Belle and Beast

BELLE

*(reading)*

"Knowing not that this was indeed the legendary sword called Excalibur, Arthur tried to pull it from the stone. He tried once, to no avail. He tried a second time, but still he could not pull it out. Then, for the third time, Arthur drew forth the sword..."

BEAST

*(excited)*

So that must mean that he's the king!

BELLE

Wait and see.

*(The Beast shakes his head with wonder.)*

BEAST

I never knew books could do that.

BELLE

Do what?

BEAST

Take me away from this place and make me forget...for a little while.

BELLE

Forget?

BEAST

Who I...

*(correcting himself)*

...what I am.

*(Belle looks at him. He's touched her heart.)*

BELLE

We have something in common, you know.

BEAST

What?

BELLE

In the town where I come from, the people think I'm odd.

BEAST

You?

BELLE

So I know how it feels to be...different. And I know how lonely that can be.