Examining the Similarities and Differences between Disney’s “Frozen” and Hans Christian Andersen’s “The Snow Queen”

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This unit examines the similarities and differences between the story Frozen and the story The Snow Queen. First, the students will become familiar with the fairytale The Snow Queen by Hans Christen Andersen. They will examine the dramatic structure of the story to become more familiar with the storyline of this beloved fairy tale. Then, the students will take a look at the story Frozen, and its dramatic structure. The children will be creating face masks to go along with the characters in the story Frozen. They will use paper plates, paint, markers, and construction paper to create the face masks. The students will discuss how their characters will move and interact with each other. Finally, the students will be acting out the story line from Frozen for another second grade class to watch. The message in both of these stories is that love can conquer all.