The Princess Diaries
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Put the events in the order they happen in the story. The first is 1.

1. At school Mia gets into trouble for pushing her ice cream into Lana Weinberger’s sweater.
2. Grandmere takes Mia to a beauty salon and Mia has her hair cut and colored blond.
3. Josh Richter asks Mia to go to the school dance with him on Saturday.
4. Josh Richter kisses Mia and lots of reporters take photos. Mia is very angry.
5. Lilly and Mia have an argument about the way Mia looks.
6. Mia finds out that her dad is a prince. She is very surprised and starts to hiccup.
7. Mia spends the night at Lilly's because she doesn't want to go home and speak to her dad.
8. Mia starts to keep a diary. She writes about her feelings.
9. Mia's father calls and asks to speak to her mom, but her mom is out on a date with Mr Gianini.
10. Mia's father writes an agreement and Mia signs it.
11. Mia's grandmere arrives in New York to give Mia her classes on how to be a princess.
12. Mia's photo appears on the front page of the New York Post. Everyone wants to be her friend.
Read the sentences and circle true (T) or false (F).

13 Mia is very popular in school because she looks strange.  
14 Mia’s friend Lilly is better than her at Algebra.  
15 Mia has an older brother called Michael.  
16 Mia wasn’t very happy when she first found out she was a princess.  
17 Mia didn’t do very well in the Algebra test, even though she tried to cheat.  
18 Mia liked the way she looked after she had her hair cut and got new clothes.  
19 Mia isn’t the only girl at her school with a bodyguard.  
20 Mia dances with Josh Richter at the school dance.  

Match the words in the box to the pictures.

algebra formula flashbulb food carton limousine tray vase

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23 $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  
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Complete the sentences with the words in the box.

fake      freak      mood      shock      vegetarian      weird

27 I look like a ________________. I’m tall and thin, have huge feet and very curly, light brown hair.
28 I’m a ________________, so I don’t eat meat.
29 This morning Mom was in a good ________________. She was smiling and happy.
30 Today I found out that I’m a princess. The news came as a terrible ________________ to me.
31 I never told Lilly my thoughts about her brother. She’ll think that I’m ________________.
32 In the beauty salon Paolo puts ________________ fingernails on Mia.

Circle the correct word to complete each sentence.

33 I __________ Lilly about my mom and Mr Gianini.
34 Mr Gianini __________ my mom out on a date.
35 “I’m your grandmere. Say / Speak French to me.”
36 “What’s your problem?” __________ Lilly.
37 Dad kept __________ me questions about Mom and Mr Gianini.
38 “It wasn’t me,” __________ Mr Gianini.
39 “Well, somebody __________ the newspapers about Mia.”
40 “Dad, I don’t need a bodyguard,” I __________.
Extra: Exam Practice

You belong to a book club. Write a report for the book club about *The Princess Diaries* and say what the good points and bad points of the book are. Do you think other students should read the book? Why / Why not? Write between 60 and 80 words.