**The Bridge Of blood**

Long long ago the city of Zagreb was divided into two parts, Kaptol and Gradec. The two parts of the city were joined by streets which are full of stories and legends. One of these is called ''The Bridge of Blood''. The legend says that this is where a very important battle happened between the people of Gradec and Medvedgrad.

At that time, the ruler of Medvedgrad was Prince Grdun. He was old, mean and very selfish. He only wanted to get rich. That is why he wanted to marry Rose. Rose was a beautiful young girl who was very kind. She was also from a wealthy family and that is why Prince Grdun wanted to marry her.

However, Rose had already fallen in love with a handsome young knight. He was kind and very brave. His name was Pavao. Rose could never forget Pavao. Pavao saved her from a terrible fire in the city of Gradec.

When Prince Grdun heard that Rose loved Pavao, he was so angry that he tried to kill Pavao. Luckliy, he didn't succeed.

Prince Grdun didn't give up easily. One day he ordered his army to attack Gradec and Kaptol. He knew that the young knight would be in the other army. He wanted Pavao to be killed in the battle. The two armies met in the middle of

an old wooden bridge. They started fighting. It was terrible! But Knight Pavao and the Gradec army won! Prince Grdun lost.

Many soilders were killed that day. Their blood spilled onto the wooden bridge and into the river below. This is why they call the bridge ''The Bridge of Blood''.