

FAITHFUL KNIGHTS

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The scene opens up with the KING sitting on his throne. The SERVANT rushes in.

SERVANT

Your Highness, the knights are back from their quest!

KING

Good. Bring them in.

Enter ARTHUR, MAXWELL, SIEGFRIED, GEORGE, and RICHARD. They all bow before the KING and remove their helmets, except for SIEGFRIED who leaves his helmet on.

THE KNIGHTS

Your Highness!

KING

Now, did you all find the mythical creatures I requested?

THE KNIGHT

Yes, Your Highness!

KING

Wonderful! Princess Augusta will be so pleased with her new pets. Who would like to present first?

ARTHUR steps forward.

ARTHUR

I will, Your Highness!

The KING nods towards ARTHUR.

KING

Proceed.

ARTHUR

I was tasked to find an elf, and here I present it to you!

He pulls out a gnome.

KING

Do you jest?

ARTHUR

No your highness, you described an elf as a small, mischievous creature with pointed ears, and I stumbled across this one digging through my neighbors tomato garden!

KING

Sir Arthur, you fool! That's a garden gnome, not an elf!

ARTHUR

But you said-

KING

Quiet! We will discuss this failure later. Sir Maxwell, you were tasked to bring me a pegasus, correct? Show me!

MAXWELL

Of course, Your Highness!

He runs offstage for a moment and comes back with a horse with obviously fake wings attached to it's back.

KING

Do you mistake me for a fool!?!?

MAXWELL

But sir, I brought back a winged horse just like you asked!

One of the horse's wings falls off.

MAXWELL (CONT'D)

Oh dear.

KING

I should have your head for this! How dare you believe I would fall for such a simple trick?!

MAXWELL

But Your Highness, I was fooled! The villager who sold it to me told me it was real!

KING

I have had enough of your idiocy! We will also be having a discussion later. And Sir Siegfried, why have you yet to remove your helmet?

SIEGFRIED

Your Highness-

KING

There are no excuses! Take it off!

SIEGFRIED shamefully takes off his helmet and it is revealed that his face is blue.

KING

What in the-

SIEGFRIED

Well, you see, I found a fairy just like you tasked me to. However, she was upset and cursed me so that my face turned blue!

KING

Well then, show me the fairy. Perhaps we can convince her to return your face to normal.

SIEGFRIED

Well, the thing is, she was much too smart for me, and, uh, she got away.

KING

Siegfried, you blubbering idiot! You deserve the curse she placed upon you! Fine then, Sir George, please tell me you have better results!

GEORGE

Yes, Your Highness! I searched across all the seas and found a mermaid just like you requested!

KING

Show me.

GEORGE

Of course, Your Highness.

GEORGE runs off stage and brings in a creature that looks like legs with the upper body of a fish. Could be played by SERVANT.

KING

I am speechless. What is that?

GEORGE

A mermaid, sir! Half-fish, half-human, just like you said!

KING

I no longer have the energy to yell. Sir Richard, please don't disappoint me.

RICHARD

...Unfortunately, I was unable to locate a unicorn.

KING

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RICHARD

But fret not! I was fortunate enough to stumble upon this stray unicorn horn!

He pulls out what appears to be a unicorn horn.

KING

Yes, Richard! This is why you are my best knight! Please, bring it here!

RICHARD hands the horn to the KING.

KING (CONT'D)

This is wonderful! Amazing! It's... Why don't I sense any magic coming from it?

RICHARD

I'm not sure sir, but it must be a unicorn horn!

KING

Sir Richard, where did you find this?

RICHARD

Well, Sir George was getting lonely and I was down in the dumps from not being able to find a unicorn, so I joined him at the beach and what do you know! A unicorn horn just washed up on the shore!

KING

Sir Richard, do you know what a narwhal is?

RICHARD

Is that another type of mythical creature?

KING

No, Sir Richard, it is not. *(The KING sighs.)* I waited 9 months for all of you to come back only to find myself severely disappointed. I dread the look on Princess Augusta's face when she hears I have nothing for her.

I need some time to myself. Everyone, get out of my sight.

The KNIGHTS leave with all of their magical beings.



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