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CHARACTERS

THE READER	HENCHMAN
SNOW WHITE	BLUEBIRD
QUEEN	2 TREES
PRINCE	PERSON to hold ETC. sign.
DWARFS: Doc, Bashful, Sleepy, Happy, Dopey, Sneezy and Grumpy.	

PROPERTIES

Yellow wig	Cardboard standing mirror
Hunting knife	Small table
Bird mask and blue wings	Witch mask
2 tree costumes, any design	Basket of apples
Broom	Air mattress
Cot	Dwarf costumes and masks
Washtub	

(A READER NARRATES THE FOLLOWING TALE AS THE CHARACTERS ENACT SCENE.)

Once upon a time a king was married to a queen who was a real stinker, but boy was she stacked! Now this queen was mighty jealous of the King's daughter by a former marriage. Sounds a little like a soap opera, doesn't it? The daughter's name (SHE ENTERS AND STANDS STAGE C.) was Snow White - for those of you who expected a brunette we're sorry, but there was a sale on yellow yarn. Now the Queen's most prized hunk of loot was a magic mirror. Every day she asked it --

“Mirror, mirror, in the hall,
Who is fairest of us all?”

If the mirror named any other dame besides the queen as the fairest, she flew into a snit and had the other doll rubbed out. At last came the day the queen had been sweating out. The mirror pulled a switch on her and answered:

“Her lips blood red, her hair like night
(remember the yarn sale?)

Her skin like snow, her name--Snow White.”

Well, the teed-off queen called one of her henchmen to her and said, “Take baby doll into the woods and give her the business.”

(ENTER HENCHMAN STAGE R. CARRYING A KNIFE.)

So lover boy obeys. Whaddaya gonna do when ya got a tough moll in the driver's seat? Off into the forest he dragged Snow White, (DRAGS HER STAGE R.) but on the way he turned chicken--he was kind of new at this strong arm stuff--so he put away his switchblade and told Snow White to lay low and find a new pad. He left her there and went back to headquarters. (EXIT STAGE R.)

Being alone in the woods kind of shook up Snow White, so she sat down and sobbed her little 'ole heart out. Ever so quietly, (LOUD NOISES OFF STAGE) things in the forest appeared--(STAGE R.)

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trees, birds, etc. and the birds (excuse me, bird) sang his sweetest melody. (A BRASSY LOUD TUNE ON PIANO FOR BIRD SONG)

The trees tipped off the bird to something; (TREES WHISPER TO BIRD) he gave it the okay (NODS) and took Snow White to a little hideout. (CROSS TO STAGE L. - TREES FOLLOW) Being completely without real estate herself, she cased the joint (TIPTOES AROUND) and decided to take over. After she did a little sweeping (DOES SO) she decided on a little siesta, figuring “any cot when you’re in a spot.” Quietly (NOISE OFFSTAGE) the trees took root (TREES STAND FIRM) and the bird took flight. (BIRD FLIES OFF STAGE L.)

Shortly afterward seven little guys came marching up to their campsite, singing: (ENTER STAGE R.)

“Hi ho, hi ho, it’s home from work we go.” (MUSIC)

As they approached the place, they stopped short and one of them said, “Look, some squatter has moved in; maybe its a ghost--er a goblin--er someone from the DA’s office.”

“I knew it,” said Grumpy, “with that gambling probe going on in town, they’re beating the bushes for suspects.”

“Follow me,” said Doc. So, shouldering their pickaxes, (PANTOMIME) in they went. All seven of ’em tiptoed (BANGING NOISES OFFSTAGE) over to Snow White to give her the once over. (ALL WALK AROUND HER)

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