

# HANSEL & GRETEL



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## CHARACTERS:

HANSEL

GRETEL

DADDY

FERULA, THE WITCH

## SCENE 1.

*(Enter Gretel.)*

**GRETEL:** *(She acts as if she's riding a motorcycle.)* Broom!! Broom!!! Wow, there are so many people here! Who are you? Do you like my motorcycle? It's the fastest motorcycle ever! Yes, of course it's a real one. Can't you see it? Are you guys blind? Hey friends, have you seen my brother Hansel? He is not as fast as me. Could you please help me call him? Ok, let's do it, one, two, six... Oh yes! That's wrong! I'm a bit crazy. One, two, three. Hansel! Hansel!

*(Enter Hansel.)*

**HANSEL:** Wow! There are so many people here. Who are you? Are you dwarves? You look so small! Oh, I know! You're kids. Hey! Have you seen my sister Gretel? She's so crazy. She thinks she has a motorcycle. Do you know where she is? On my right? *(Gretel hides.)* On my left? Oh! I know where she is. She's over here. Got you Gretel!

**GRETEL:** You got me because you cheated!

**HANSEL:** I wasn't cheating!

**GRETEL:** Yes, you were!

**HANSEL:** No, I wasn't!

**GRETEL:** Yes!

**HANSEL:** No!

**GRETEL:** Let's play again! I hide!

**HANSEL:** Yes! But it's getting dark! How do we get back home?

**GRETEL:** I think it's this way! *(To the audience.)* Do you guys agree?

**HANSEL:** I am not sure...

**GRETEL:** I think the right way is on the left.

**HANSEL:** Right.

**GRETEL:** Left.

**HANSEL:** Right.

**GRETEL:** Left.

**HANSEL:** Right. *(Very angry.)*

**GRETEL:** Left. *(Very angry.)*

**HANSEL:** Rock-paper-scissors.

GRETEL: One, two, seven...

*(Hansel laughs.)*

HANSEL: Oh, sorry. It was three.

*(They play rock-paper-scissors.)*

GRETEL: I won!

HANSEL: You did.

GRETEL: I always win!

HANSEL: But...

GRETEL: So, let's take the path on the right, as I said...

*(They follow the path on the right but they get lost.)*

GRETEL: This is not the way back home.

HANSEL: Daddy must be worried.

GRETEL: It is getting dark. And cold. *(Hansel cries.)*

*(A voice is heard.)*

DADDY: Hansel! Gretel!

*(They suddenly stop crying.)*

HANSEL: Daddy!

DADDY: Where are you?

GRETEL: We're over here Daddy.

DADDY: I can't see you.

GRETEL: *(To the audience.)* Friends, can you help us? Let's call out to Daddy! One, two, six...

HANSEL: Three!

GRETEL: Yes! One, two, three!!! Daddy!!

*(Daddy appears.)*

- DADDY:** Oh, my beloved children! Please don't do this again!
- HANSEL:** It was Gretel's fault.
- GRETEL:** What? Liar!
- DADDY:** Your mother must be so worried too. It's getting darker and darker and I don't remember the way back to our house.
- GRETEL:** What are we going to do Daddy?
- DADDY:** Don't worry kids. I dropped little stones to mark the way back. We just need to follow them back and soon we will be safe at home.
- HANSEL:** Yeah, lets' follow them. Dad! There's a stone here!
- GRETEL:** Look! There's another one there. Yes!

*(They follow the stones singing a song.)*

**A-HUNTING WE WILL GO**  1

*Oh, a-hunting we will go, a-hunting we will go  
We'll catch a fish and put him in a dish  
And then we'll let him go*

*Oh, a-hunting we will go, a-hunting we will go  
We'll catch a cat and put her in a hat  
And then we'll let her go*

*Oh, a-hunting we will go, a-hunting we will go  
We'll catch a goat and put him in a boat  
And then we'll let him go*

*Oh, a-hunting we will go, a-hunting we will go  
We'll catch a bear and put him in a chair  
And then we'll let him go*

*Oh, a-hunting we will go, a-hunting we will go  
We'll catch a sheep and put her in a jeep  
And then we'll let her go*

*Oh, a-hunting we will go, a-hunting we will go  
We'll catch a snake and put him on a cake  
And then we'll let him go*

- GRETEL:** Oh! We're finally home. I'm so tired. Let's go to sleep.

HANSEL: Good night, Gretel.

## SCENE 2. LOST IN THE WOODS

*(The kids are in the woods again.)*

DADDY: Good morning kids! I have to go to work.

GRETEL: Ok Daddy. **(To the kids.)** My daddy is the best woodcutter in the area.

DADDY: I need some help. Please clean up the house while I am away, ok?

*(Hansel & Gretel don't like the idea.)*

GRETEL: Ok Daddy.

HANSEL: Don't you worry Daddy!

DADDY: Please kids don't be naughty. Don't go out into the woods again.

GRETEL: No Daddy. We won't.

DADDY: You promise?

HANSEL: We promise Daddy.

DADDY: People say there's a very dangerous witch in the woods.

HANSEL: Really?

DADDY: Yes, so behave yourselves!

*(She leaves.)*

HANSEL: So... Let's clean the house.

GRETEL: No!

HANSEL: What can we do then?

GRETEL: Let's go out to play in the woods.

HANSEL: But...

GRETEL: What?

HANSEL: We might get lost, like last night.

GRETEL: We could drop some stones to mark the way back, as Daddy did.

HANSEL: There are no stones at home.

GRETEL: What can we use instead of stones? Let's search!

*(They try to find things to drop to mark the way back home.)*

HANSEL: Apples? There's only two!  
 GRETEL: Toothbrushes? We only have three.  
 HANSEL: Chairs?  
 HANSEL: Brooms?  
 GRETEL: Hey. What is this?  
 HANSEL: What is what?  
 GRETEL: There's some bread! We can use it!

*(The witch is observing the scene.)*

GRETEL: Yes, we can drop bread crumbs. That way, it will be easy to find the way back.  
 HANSEL & GRETEL: Yes!

*(The kids leave the scene dropping bread crumbs and walking into the woods.)*

WITCH: lahahaha!!! Two kids in the woods! lahahaha!! They're going to be mine!! I need kids to clean my house and cook my food! I am so lazy! lahahaha! They're going to be my prisoners! lahahaha! I'll cast a spell to make the birds eat the bread crumbs. Do you want to hear the spell kids? It is called Shallakabulakabu! That's the song of the spell!

SHALLAKABULAKABU  2

*Shallakabulakabu*

*(To the kids.) What?*

*(The kids repeat.) Shallakabulakabu*

*I am a very bad witch, and this is my spell,  
 I am going to be rich, everything's going well*

*Shallakabulakabu*

*(To the kids.) What?*

*Shallakabulakabu*

*I need the birds to eat every crumb,  
 So, the kids they will get lost cause they are dumb*

*Shallakabulakabu.*

*What?*

*Shallakabulakabu*

*I'll take the kids to my house,  
they'll stay with me like a little mouse*

*Shallakabulakabu*

*What?*

*Shallakabulakabu*

**WITCH:** Hey kids, you are very good at singing spells. You can be little witches as well if you want. But you won't be as evil as me because I am the meanest witch in the world! The meanest! laahaha!!

### SCENE 3: THE CHOCOLATE HOUSE

**GRETEL:** Wow! Friends! I had the time of my life in the forest. I'm so happy!

**HANSEL:** Oh! I'm so happy too! But I'm starting to get a bit cold. We need to go back home. Daddy will come back soon. Let's follow the bread crumbs.

*(The song of birds.)*

**GRETEL:** Oh no! The birds are eating our crumbs!

**HANSEL:** Yes, they are! Oh no! How can we can return to our home?

*(The kids seem very worried.)*

**GRETEL:** This is your fault.

**HANSEL:** What? No! It's your fault!

**GRETEL:** Let's go to the right.

*(They start to get angry with each other.)*

**GRETEL:** Rock-paper-scissors.

**HANSEL:** Ok! I'll win!

**GRETEL:** One, two, eight...

**HANSEL:** Threeeeeee!!!



**GRETEL:** Ok! One, two, three! You win!

**HANSEL:** Let's follow this path!

*(The kids go to the left.)*

**GRETEL:** Hey there's a nice smell around here!

**HANSEL:** Yes! It smells like chocolate! Yummy!

*(The kids reach a house made of chocolate.)*

**GRETEL:** Wow! It looks delicious!

**HANSEL:** It's made of chocolate and candy!

**GRETEL:** This is the house of my dreams.

**HANSEL:** Oh! I am soooo hungry!

**GRETEL:** Yeah! Me too!

**HANSEL:** Can we eat just a little bit?

**GRETEL:** Of course, we can.

**HANSEL:** But this is not ours...

**GRETEL:** Nobody has to know...

**HANSEL:** But...

**GRETEL:** Just a little bit...

**HANSEL:** Let's ask our friends.

**GRETEL:** Guys! Do you think it is a good idea to eat some candy?

**HANSEL:** Let's do it!

*(They start eating. The witch is near the house.)*

**HANSEL:** What is that noise?

**WITCH:** Hello my dears! How are you?

**GRETEL:** Oh madam! Who are you?

**WITCH:** I am a very good woman who lives in these parts.

**HANSEL:** We live nearby too, but we are lost and we're so hungry.

**WITCH:** Oh! Poor little kids. Would you like something to eat?

*(The witch tries to push them into the house.)*

**HANSEL:** Hey! That hurts!  
**GRETEL:** Don't push my brother!  
**HANSEL:** Daddy always says we mustn't talk to strangers.  
**WITCH:** But I am not a stranger. I am an old lady who lives on her own in the middle of nowhere and tries to help lost children.

*(She grabs two big lollypops from the house. The kids look hypnotised.)*

**WITCH:** Do you want a tasty lollypop?

*(They take the lollypops.)*

**WITCH:** I can give you some chocolate as well, but you need to come into the house. Do you want a hot chocolate?  
**HANSEL:** Yes please. It's getting cold.  
**WITCH:** Do you know I cook the best soup ever? I can give you soup as well.  
**HANSEL:** I love soup. It would be perfect with this cold.  
**GRETEL:** What should we do? We need to go back home but I'm so hungry.  
**HANSEL:** What can we do now? Daddy says we shouldn't talk to strangers. They might be bad.  
**GRETEL:** I want to go in!  
**HANSEL:** I don't.  
**GRETEL:** Rock-Paper- Scissors.  
**HANSEL:** Ok!

*(They play and Hansel loses.)*

**WITCH:** What are you children doing?  
**GRETEL:** Nothing madam, we accept your invitation.  
**WITCH:** Oh! That's wonderful. Come in my dears.  
**GRETEL:** Ok! We'll stay here tonight and we'll try to find the way tomorrow morning.  
**WITCH:** Yes! Sure, my dearest. Come into my house. I have two fluffy beds for you.

*(The kids enter the house.)*

**HANSEL:** Thank you madam. It's very kind of you.

## SCENE 4. WITCH'S HOUSE

*(The kids are in the house.)*

**GRETEL:** Oh, this house is a mess.

**HANSEL:** Oh Gretel. Is this a spider web? Everything is so, so dirty.

*(The witch is laughing with a spooky laugh.)*

**GRETEL:** Oh gosh! This is so spooky.

**WITCH:** lahahaha!! Now you kids are my prisoners. You can't escape.

**HANSEL:** But our dad is waiting for us.

**WITCH:** You ate a part of my house. So, you have to pay me for it.

**GRETEL:** But we don't have any money. We are poor kids.

**WITCH:** Then you'll have to work for me.

**GRETEL:** Why just me?

**Witch:** And I'll eat your brother.

**GRETEL:** No, we will fight you!

**WITCH:** lahahaha! You fools!

**GRETEL:** Come on Hansel! Let's escape!

**WITCH:** Shallakabulakabu!

*(The kids are frightened.)*

**HANSEL:** Oh! I can't move!

**WITCH:** You can't escape!

**GRETEL:** Ok! We surrender!

**WITCH:** lahahahaha! Now you kids are mine. Come on, Gretel! Clean up my house.

**GRETEL:** That's so sexist!

**WITCH:** And give some food to your brother. He's too skinny. I'll eat him when he gets fatter.

**HANSEL:** EAT ME????

**WITCH:** Yes, that's right! Shallakabulakabu!

SHALLAKABULAKABU!  2

*Give some food to your brother!  
After him I'll eat the other Shallakabulakabu!  
I am a very bad witch and now I'm your  
boss, you have to clean while I'm putting on  
gloss Shallakabullakabu!  
Don't forget to clean this corner,  
you can't say I'm not a warner  
Shallakabullakabu!  
Oh my gosh I am so hungry.  
If you don't cook I'll be so angry!  
Shallakabulakabu!*

*(The song ends and the children talk between them.)*

**GRETEL:** What can we do, Hansel?  
**HANSEL:** We need to escape from here.  
**GRETEL:** But how? This is all your fault.  
**HANSEL:** Whaaaaat? You wanted to come into the house.  
**GRETEL:** Only because you were so hungry.

*(They start to argue.)*

**HANSEL:** Gretel, we need to work together if we want to escape.  
**GRETEL:** Yes, let's do it!  
**HANSEL:** We could try to push her into the oven.  
**GRETEL:** Yes!  
**HANSEL:** But we're not evil Gretel.  
**GRETEL:** So?  
**HANSEL:** We just need to wait till she's asleep.  
**GRETEL:** Then we'll take her key and run away.  
**HANSEL:** Do witches sleep?  
**GRETEL:** I hope so. Let me try something.  
**HANSEL:** Mrs Witch!

**WITCH:** Don't call me like that. My name is Ferula!

**GRETEL:** Ok, Mrs Ferula. We are so tired. We cleaned for you, we cooked for you and we worked hard for you. Can we rest a little bit now?

*(The witch hesitates.)*

**HANSEL:** Oh, please Mrs Ferula. We need to rest.

**WITCH:** Ok, but just for one hour.

**GRETEL:** Ok brother. Let's try to sleep.

**HANSEL:** I can't. Could you please sing a lullaby for me?

**GRETEL:** Of course, my dear brother.

**HANSEL:** Could you please sing Jingle Jingle Little Bell?

**GRETEL:** Sure! *(She sings.)*

### JINGLE JINGLE LITTLE BELL 3

*Jingle jingle little bell.*

*I can ring my little bell.*

*Ring it fast.*

*Ring it slow.*

*Ring it high.*

*Ring it low.*

*Jingle jingle little bell.*

*I can ring my little bell.*

*Ring it fast.*

*Ring it slow.*

*Ring it high.*

*Ring it low.*

**WITCH:** *(Snores.)* Oh that's a beautiful song!

**HANSEL:** Gretel! She is sleeping now, take her key!

*(She tries to take the key quietly, but the witch suddenly wakes up.)*

**WITCH:** What are you doing? Where are you going?

GRETEL: I just need a wee.  
 HANSEL: Oh Gretel (*Laughing.*) you are the best.  
 WITCH: What?  
 HANSEL: Nothing I was just talking in my sleep.  
 GRETEL: I'm here.  
 HANSEL: Come on! Keep singing.

*Jingle jingle little bell.  
 I can ring my little bell.  
 Ring it fast.  
 Ring it slow.  
 Ring it high.  
 Ring it low.  
 Jingle jingle little bell.  
 I can ring my little bell.  
 Ring it fast.  
 Ring it slow.  
 Ring it high.  
 Ring it low.*

WITCH: (*Snores.*) Oh what a beautiful song!  
 GRETEL: Now you try!

*(He tries to take the key, but the witch wakes up.)*

WITCH: What are you doing here?  
 HANSEL: I was just... doing my stretches. Right and left!  
 WITCH: Go to sleep! Right now!  
 HANSEL: All right Mrs Ferula. Come on, sing a little bit more!

*Jingle jingle little bell.  
 I can ring my little bell.  
 Ring it fast.  
 Ring it slow.  
 Ring it high.  
 Ring it low.*

*Jingle jingle little bell.  
I can ring my little bell.  
Ring it fast.  
Ring it slow.  
Ring it high.  
Ring it low.*

**WITCH:** *(Snores.)* What a beautiful song!  
**HANSEL:** Come on. Let's try a third time.  
**GRETEL:** I got the key!  
**HANSEL:** Come on! Open the door!  
**GRETEL:** The key doesn't fit here.  
**HANSEL:** That's because it's upside down.  
**GRETEL:** Sorry! I'm so nervous!  
**HANSEL:** Hurry up!  
**WITCH:** *(The witch awakes.)* What do you think you're doing?  
**GRETEL:** Oh no!  
**WITCH:** Stay there!

*(Gretel stands in the middle and faces the witch.)*

**GRETEL:** No! You're going to let us go!  
**WITCH:** lahahaha! What a funny girl!

*(Gretel makes some gestures.)*

**GRETEL:** I learned your spell! Shallakabulakabu!  
**WITCH:** What?  
**GRETEL:** *Shallakabulakabu!*  
*You're going to be a nice witch, and you'll never be a b...*

**HANSEL:** Gretel!  
**GRETEL:** Bad witch! What did you think I was going to say?  
**WITCH:** No!!!  
**GRETEL:** *Shallakabulakabu! Shallakabulakabu!*  
*You're going to be a friendly lady, you're never gonna be shady!*

*Shallakabulakabu!*

*You're going to let us go, as far as the wind will blow.*

- WITCH:** Of course, my darlings!
- HANSEL:** I don't really know what just happened!
- GRETEL:** She became a nice witch because of the spell! Shallakabulakabu!
- HANSEL:** Oh really?
- WITCH:** Yes, thank you very much kids. You helped a lot. I didn't want to be a bad witch.
- GRETEL:** Bye Ferula. We have to go, Dad will be very worried.
- WITCH:** Thank you kids! I'll come for a visit and bring you lemonade.
- HANSEL & GRETEL:** Wow we're so happy! Thanks friends! You helped us a lot as well. Let's sing together!

**IF YOU'RE HAPPY AND YOU KNOW IT  4**

*If you're happy and you know it clap your hands!*

*If you're happy and you know it and you really want to show it*

*If you're happy and you know it clap your hands!*

***(Daddy comes to the scene.)***

- DADDY:** Kids!
- GRETEL:** Daddy!
- DADDY:** Where have you been all this time? I'm so angry with you.
- HANSEL:** Sorry Dad!
- DADDY:** Don't say sorry! I was so worried for you. Now you'll stay at home and you'll have to clean everything as a punishment!
- HANSEL:** Cleaning again?
- DADDY:** Yes!
- GRETEL:** Shallakabulakabu!
- DADDY:** I don't know what you're saying! Let's go home. Oh! These kids are driving me crazy!
- (To the audience.)*** Bye guys!
- HANSEL & GRETEL:** ***(To the audience.)*** Bye!!!

**THE END**