

ALICE IN WONDERLAND

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CHARACTERS

ALICE:

WHITE RABBIT:

MAD HATTER:

QUEEN:

CAT:

TWEEDLE DEE:

TWEEDLE DUM:

CATERPILLAR:

SISTER:

NARRATOR 1:

NARRATOR 2:

DOWN THE RABBIT HOLE

NARRATOR 1: It was a hot summer day and Alice was bored sitting and watching her sister read.

ALICE: How can my sister read a book without any pictures? Oh, it's so hot!

WHITE RABBIT: (runs by) Oh dear! Oh dear! I'm late!

ALICE: A rabbit with a watch. How strange! And why is he is such a hurry?

NARRATOR 2: The rabbit disappeared behind some bushes, down a rabbit hole. Alice was so curious she ran and followed him to the hole.

NARRATOR 2 : Alice looked down and began to fall. She kept falling and falling and falling. Finally she landed in a hallway with 3 locked doors and a glass table.

ALICE:(she tried to open the doors) All the doors are locked! How will I get out of here? Wait,there's a tiny golden key on the table. I wonder which door it opens?

NARRATOR 1: It fit the small door, but she was too big to fit through. But, wait! There was a little bottle. It said DRINK ME. She drank the potion and started to feel strange. Suddenly, she got smaller and smaller.

ALICE: Now I can open the door. What a beautiful garden! (starts wandering)

ALICE: (notices 2 interesting characters not moving) Why, what interesting figures! Tweedle Dee... and Tweedle Dum!

TWEEDLEDEE: If you think we're wax-works, you ought to pay!

TWEEDLE DUM: Or, if you think we're alive you ought to speak to us!

DEE & DUM:That's logic!

ALICE: Well, it's been nice meeting you. Goodbye!

DEE: You're beginning backwards!

DUM: The first thing to say is "How do you do?" and shake hands. Shake. Shake. Shake.

DEE & DUM:That's manners!

ALICE: Really? Well, my name is Alice and I'm following a white rabbit. So...

DEE: You can't go yet!

DUM: No, the visit has just started!

ALICE: I'm very sorry...

DUM: Do you like to play hide-and-peek?

DEE: Or button-button, who's got the button?

ALICE: No, thank you.

DEE: If you stay long enough we might have a battle!

ALICE: That's very kind of you, but I must be going.

DEE & DUM: Why?

ALICE: Because I am following a white rabbit!

DEE & DUM: Why?

ALICE: Well, I- I'm curious to know where he is going!

DUM: Ohhhh, she's curious! Tsk! tsk! tsk! ts!...

DEE: The oysters were curious too, weren't they?

DUM: Aye, and you remember what happened to them...

DEE & DUM: Poor things!

ALICE: Why? What did happen to the oysters?

DEE: Oh, you wouldn't be interested.

ALICE: But I am!

DUM: Oh, no. You're in much too much of a hurry!

ALICE: Well, perhaps I could spare a little time...

DEE & DUM: You could? Well...

NARRATOR 2: So Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum began to tell this very strange but wonderful story about oyster, kings, pigs and cabbage. They waved their arms and jumped up and down. Finally they finished their tale.

ALICE: That was a very sad story. But it had a good ending, if you happen to be an oyster. Goodbye again!

DEE & DUM: Goodbye Alice... and good luck finding the rabbit!

CATERPILLAR: A, e i o u, Who are you?

ALICE: I- I- I hardly know, sir! I changed so many times since this morning, you see...

CATERPILLAR: I do not see. Explain yourself.

ALICE: Why, I'm afraid I can't explain myself, sir, because I'm not myself, you know...

CATERPILLAR: I do not know.

ALICE: Well, it isn't clear to me!

CATERPILLAR: You? Who are you?

ALICE: Well, who you are first?

CATERPILLAR: Why?

ALICE: Oh dear. Everything is so confusing.

CATERPILLAR: It is not.

ALICE: Well, it is to me.

CATERPILLAR: Why?

ALICE: I don't know why, but I must go!

CATERPILLAR: Wait! Come back! I have something important to say!

ALICE: Now what?

CATERPILLAR: I am exactly three inches high, and I like it!

ALICE: But I hate it!

CATERPILLAR: But did you know one side will make you grow taller...

ALICE: One side of what?

CATERPILLAR: ...and the other side will make you grow shorter.

ALICE: The other side of what?

CATERPILLAR: The mushroom, of course!

ALICE: Hmm. One side will make me grow... but which is which?

NARRATOR 1: Finally, Alice eats a part of the mushroom and gets back to her normal size. But then she sees a 4-foot house, and eats another part of the mushroom to shrink to 9 inches. Then she finally runs into the rabbit again.

WHITE RABBIT: My dear girl. I've lost my pair of gloves. Could you run to my cottage down that path and fetch them for me?

ALICE: I'm not really sure...

WHITE RABBIT: Quickly now. The Queen will be very angry with me.

NARRATOR 1: Alice agreed and found the cottage and went inside, looking for a pair of gloves. But she couldn't find them.

ALICE: Now what? Look, there's some chocolate cake on the table. It says EAT ME. I wonder what will happen?

NARRATOR 2: She was getting bigger! Wonderful! No, wait! She was still growing! Her head was hitting the ceiling and her arm was sticking out of a window! Then the rabbit came along.

WHITE RABBIT: Alice! Where are my pair of gloves? What is going on? Alice, why have you locked the door?

QUEEN: What's all the shouting about?

CAT: Yah what's all the shouting?

WHITE RABBIT: Tell me what you see in the window.

CAT: I see an arm.

WHITE RABBIT: What do you mean, an arm? I've never seen an arm that big.

CAT: Well, I'm sure it's an arm.

WHITE RABBIT: Then, why is an arm there?

CAT: I don't know. I'm scared of it.

WHITE RABBIT: Don't be a coward! Go down the chimney!

CAT: Very well, I will go down the chimney.

CAT: I couldn't get down the chimney she wouldn't let me.

WHITE RABBIT: We could see that!. And since there's nothing else we can do, we must burn the house down!.

ALICE: Wait! Mr. Rabbit, if you burn the house, I'll set my cat Dinah at you! I am warning you, she likes to eat rabbits!

NARRATOR 1: So the rabbit was scared and he ran off. Alice picked up the fan the rabbit had dropped and Alice turned back to her normal size. Alice looked to the cat and the Queen.

ALICE: Oh, would you tell me, please, which way I have to go from here?

Queen: Ha, ha, ha, ha, that depends on where you want to get to.

ALICE: What kind of people live here?

CAT: To the north, lives a Hatter. And to the south lives a March Hare. Visit either you like, they're both mad.

ALICE: But I don't like mad people.

CAT: We're all mad here. I'm mad. You're mad. Tell me, are you going to play croquet with the Queen today?.

ALICE: I like croquet, but I haven't been invited.

NARRATOR 1: Alice kept walking and came to a tea party with the Mad Hatter.

HATTER: There's no room for you! There's no room!

ALICE: Of course there is!

HATTER: Then drink some wine!

ALICE: How can I drink wine, if there's only tea!

HATTER: I knew there wasn't any wine.

ALICE: Then why are you telling me to drink it. You are not being polite!

HATTER: Well, it's also not polite to sit down without being invited.

ALICE: I didn't know it was your table, it's set for more than four.

HATTER: Oh, what a delightful child! You must have a cup of tea!

ALICE: That would be very nice. I'm sorry I interrupted your birthday party...

HATTER: Of course not! He he he! This is an unbirthday party!

ALICE: Unbirthday? I'm sorry, but I don't understand.

HATTER: How silly! Ha ha ha ha! I shall explain! Imagine, just one birthday every year. Ahhh, but there are 364 unbirthdays!

ALICE: Why, then today is my unbirthday too!

HATTER: In that case... a very merry unbirthday.

ALICE: To me?

HATTER: To you!

ALICE: Why thank you.

HATTER: So tell me, why is a raven like a writing desk?

ALICE: I like riddles.

HATTER: Does that mean you know the answer?.

ALICE: Yes, but do you?

HATTER: I don't have the slightest idea.

NARRATOR 2: Alice got upset and left the Mad Hatter and the tea party. She came across a field where the Queen of Hearts was playing croquet. The gardeners were shaped like playing cards. They were afraid of the Queen because they had made a mistake planting roses.

QUEEN: Who's been painting my roses red? Who's been painting my roses red? Whoever did this must be punished!

QUEEN: Did you paint my roses red? Did you paint my roses red? Did you paint my roses red?

QUEEN: Off with their heads! Off with their heads! Off with their heads! So, what is your name, young child?

ALICE: My name is Alice, your Majesty.

QUEEN: Have you ever played croquet, Alice?

ALICE: Yes, but I've never used a flamingo or a hedgehog.

QUEEN: That's because it's my game, now play with me and let me win or I'll have your head.

NARRATOR 1: Alice tried her best, but she'd never played croquet with animals before. So she kept making mistakes.

QUEEN: ha ha ha ha I have one! Nobody beats the queen and croquet! Off with her head!

NARRATOR 2: Just then, a trumpet sounded and everyone was called to court.

WHITE RABBIT: Will Alice please come to the stand?

ALICE: What's going on?

QUEEN: You're accused of stealing the heart-shaped tarts. Now you must be punished. Off with your head!

ALICE: I have no idea what you're talking about. I was just playing croquet.

QUEEN: First witness mad hatter.

QUEEN: What is your proof that Alice did this?

MAD HATTER: Oh... he he he he! She sat down at are tea party without being invited!

QUEEN: How rude! Where were you when this horrible crime was committed?

MAD HATTER: I was home, drinking tea. As you know today is my unbirthday!

QUEEN: happy unbirthday and off with her head! Next witness, the caterpillar.

CATERPILLAR: Alice said she didn't know who she was and she hated being 3 inches tall. She was quite rude.

QUEEN: How terrible! Off with her head! Next witness, the Cheshire Cat.

CAT: Well, Alice wouldn't let me help her

QUEEN: Unbelievable! Off with her head! Guards take her away!

ALICE: No, No, No

NARRATOR 1: Then she felt someone touching her shoulder and shaking her.

SISTER: Alice! Alice! Will you kindly pay attention and read your lesson?

ALICE: Huh? Uh...what about the mushrooms?

SISTER: The mushrooms? Alice, are you alright?

ALICE: Oh, I'm sorry, but you see, the Caterpillar said...

SISTER: Caterpillar? Oh, for goodness sakes. You have quite the imagination.

NARRATOR 2: She tried to tell her sister about her adventure in Wonderland, meeting the White Rabbit, the Mad Hatter, the cat, and the Queen of Hearts. But her sister was busy reading her book again. Then out of the corner of her eye, Alice saw the White Rabbit again near the bushes.

RABBIT: (Runs nearby.)

ALICE: (looks at her sister, gets up and follows the rabbit)

THE END