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## Fairy Fort

SPOOF. In this fairytale spoof of the reality TV show "Shark Tank," fairytale characters present business proposals to judges with the hope of achieving happily ever after. Contestants include an evil witch who pitches a new, improved sleeping potion for those suffering from putrid princess infestations. A wolf shows off his portable wind turbine machine powerful enough to blow down brick houses. Rumpelstitskin offers up a spinning wheel that spins straw into gold. Two childless Bakers request an enchanted oven that can turn gingerbread cookies into children. For use in the pest control industry, the Pied Piper promotes an enchanted pipe that lures away all types of vermin. And self-described footwear-o-phile elves request backing for cobbling their own line of fashionably chic shoes. Judges include a dragon, a fairy godmother, an enchantress, a witch with a skincare line for removing warts, and even the bestselling self-help author Prince Charming!

**Performance Time:** Approximately 30 minutes.

### Characters

(5 M, 6 F, 7 flexible, extras)

- **PUSS IN BOOTS:** Fluffy, furry, fashionable host of "Fairy Fort"; flexible.
- **FAIRY GODMOTHER:** Judge; bumbling fairy who can grant wishes; carries a magic wand; female.
- **WORTILDA:** Judge; a cantankerous witch who has her own successful skincare line for removing warts and wrinkles and banishing blemishes and bruises; female.
- **DRACO:** Judge; a wealthy, stealthy dragon who is an armorplated treasure collector; flexible.
- **EDWINA:** Judge; an enchantress who can turn puppets into boys and make geese lay golden eggs; female.
- **PRINCE CHARMING:** Judge; a dashing prince who has written several bestselling self-help books; male.
- **EFFIE:** An elf who serves as Prince Charming's overworked, high-strung, personal assistant; flexible.
- **WOLF:** Contestant who presents a portable wind turbine machine that is powerful enough to blow down a brick house; disguised as a grandmother; wears a nightgown; male.
- **HUSBAND:** Childless contestant who works as a baker and would like an enchanted oven that will bring a gingerbread child to life; male.
- **WIFE:** Childless Contestant who works as a baker and would like an enchanted oven that will bring a gingerbread child to life; female.
- **RUMPLESTILTSKIN:** Contestant who would like backing for a spinning wheel that turns straw into gold; small and strange-looking; male.
- **EVIL QUEEN:** Contestant who presents an odorless, tasteless, clear sleeping potion for those suffering from putrid princess infestations; female.

- **EVIL FAIRY:** Audience member interested in purchasing the Evil Queen's sleeping potion; female.
- **PIED PIPER:** Contestant who works as a part-time musician but would like to have an enchanted pipe that will lure away pests so he can make ends meet by working in the pest control industry; male.
- **GINGERBREAD CHILD:** Gingerbread cookie that has come to life and is now an energetic, obnoxious child; flexible.
- **ELF 1, 2, 3:** Contestants; fashionable, chic elves who are self-described footwear-o-philes and would like to craft their own high-fashion shoes; flexible.
- **EXTRAS:** As Prince Charming's Fans.
- **EXTRAS (opt.):** A Black Cat to accompany Wortilda, an Ogre bodyguard for Prince Charming, and Sign Holders to hold up "applause," "cheer," "hiss," "boo," "sigh," "gasp," etc. signs at appropriate moments to instruct the audience on how to respond.

## Setting

Set for the TV show, "Fairy Fort."

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 $\boldsymbol{A}$  television studio. There are five stools for the judges.

### PROPS

Magic wand
Knitting needles and yarn
Cell phones, cameras, for Fans
Signs, for Fans
Hand mirror
Appointment book
Hand fan
Drawing of a fan-like machine
Book
Small bottle for Evil Queen's "potion"

# Sound Effects

"Fairy Fort" TV theme music Magical twinkling sound Crash (string together old cans and shake them) Eerie pipe music "I'm a fire—breathing,
village—Destroying,
princess—napping Dragon,
but I still support the arts!"

-Draco

### Fairy Fort

(AT RISE: TV studio stage. "Fairy Fort" theme music is heard. Puss in Boots enters.)

PUSS IN BOOTS: (*To audience.*) Good evening, knights and maidens, gnomes and goblins, fauns and fairies, and pixies and princesses, to tonight's episode of "Fairy Fort," the show where magical creatures such as yourselves present business propositions in the hope of obtaining magical backing and achieving happily ever after! Shooting live from a fairy mound, our five eminent and enchanted judges will decide whether or not to grant tonight's contestants' wishes. Will dreams come true? Stay tuned to "Fairy Fort" to find out! I'm your host...the fluffy, furry, and fashionable feline Puss in Boots. Let's welcome our magnificent and magical myriad of judges. She's the belle of the ball, generous and gorgeous. The one, the only, throw your paws together for...Fairy Godmother!

(Fairy Godmother enters, twirling across the stage and whirling her magic wand.)

FAIRY GODMOTHER: (*To audience.*) Thank you! Thank you! May all your dreams come true! (*Blows kisses to the audience before sitting on one of the stools for the judges.*)

PUSS IN BOOTS: (*To audience.*) Don't let looks deceive you. She's an expert broomstick rider, master of incantations, and spell enthusiast. She's a curse consultant and has her own successful potions skincare line for removing warts and wrinkles and brews for banishing blemishes and bruises. In her spare time, she enjoys baking gingerbread houses and growing the leafy lettuce Rapunzel. Brew up some applause for...Wortilda the Witch!

(Wortilda enters.)

WORTILDA: (*To audience, grumpily.*) Will you stop making all that racket before I turn all of you into toads? (*Sits on a stool and begins knitting.*)

PUSS IN BOOTS: Well, thank you, Wortilda. (*To audience.*) Our next judge is the wealthiest and stealthiest creature in the kingdom. This armor-plated treasure collector has defeated various knights. He is red hot and smoking. Give it up for...Draco the dragon!

(Draco enters.)

DRACO: (*To audience*.) Any princes or princesses in the audience? Would you like to be lunch? (*Realizes*.) I mean, have lunch sometime? (*Sits on a stool next to the other Judges*.)

PUSS IN BOOTS: (To audience.) She is magical and magnanimous, beautiful and brainy. She's there to make geese lay golden eggs and turn puppets into real little boys. Even though she sometimes may give a real beast what he deserves, she still sprinkles our hearts with pixie dust. Wave those wands for...Edwina, our elegant and enchanting enchantress!

(Edwina enters and waves to audience in a stately fashion.)

EDWINA: (To audience.) Keep wishing on stars!

PUSS IN BOOTS: (*To audience.*) And, finally, he's dapper, dashing, and all-around dote-worthy. He's a jousting champion and an award-winning singer and songwriter. He is the author of several bestselling self-help books including "Charm Yourself Happily Ever After." He's fine, fetching, and fantastic! Stomp those hooves for his royal highness...the handsome, the hip, the happening heartthrob...Prince Charming!

(Prince Charming enters with Effie, his personal assistant. Prince Charming is surrounded by a swarm of adoring Fans. The Fans are holding signs, taking selfies with cameras or cell phones, and trying to get his autograph. Prince Charming is loving the attention and adoration. Note: Fans may also rush up from the audience and surround him.)

PRINCE CHARMING: (To audience and Fans.) Thank you!

EFFIE: *(To Fans.)* Please, princesses and pixies. Prince Charming will be signing autographs after today's show. Please wait in the designated waiting area, or I will be forced to call security. Believe me, he's a real troll. Trust me.

PRINCE CHARMING: Later, fans. Remember, you can charm yourself into the prince and princess of your dreams. Anything is possible with a little charm! Thank you so much! (*Calls.*) Effie!

EFFIE: Yes, Your Grace?

PRINCE CHARMING: Mirror. (Effie pulls out a mirror. Prince Charming slicks back his hair and sits on a stool near the other Judges.) What do we have lined up after this, Effie?

(Effie pulls out an appointment book and checks.)

EFFIE: Well, we have a book signing this afternoon, then your manicure and facial before the red-carpet event in the evening, followed by the after-ball.

#### [END OF FREEVIEW]