

LITTLE RED RIDING HOOD

SCENE I

(in front of the forester's house – music „Little Red Riding Hood”)

Narrator: On the edge of forest by a stream there lived a little girl with her mummy and daddy. She was very pretty – she had big, blue eyes, pink cheeks and curly hair. Her father was a forester.

Forester: Honey, I'm leaving for work. Bye, bye. *(leaving the house)*

Mother: OK, take care, sweetheart! I'll make a cake for supper!

Narrator: Her mummy looked after the house and the farm. The girl helped her mother – she fed their hens and ducks, grew flowers in the garden and made friends with her dog and cat. *(the girl is feeding hens)* For her last birthday she was given a red satin bonnet.

Mother: *(putting the bonnet on her daughter's head – music „Happy Birthday”)*
Happy birthday, my little daughter!

Red Hood: Oh, thank you, mummy! I've never seen such a beautiful hood! Is it really mine? I can't believe it! You know that it's my favourite colour – red! I love it! And I love you, mummy!

Mother: I know, honey! You look gorgeous!

Narrator: She liked it very much. One day Little Red Hood's mother made a delicious apple pie. She cut off a big piece and put it into a basket together with a jar of jam and a bottle of raspberry juice and called her daughter.

Mother: Little Red Hood, you'll take this basket to your grandma. There is a piece of cake, jam and raspberry juice in it. You may stay at your grandma's for tea and your daddy will take you home on his way back from the forest. But be careful, my little girl – stay straight on the path, don't stop on your way and absolutely don't talk with strangers! Keep it in mind! People say that there is a bad wolf in the woods. Remember, be careful!

Red Hood: I will, I promise! Bye, bye mummy!

SCENE II

(On the way to grandma's – music)

Red Hood: *(walking through the forest)* I'll pick some flowers for my grannie. She loves flowers. *(picking and putting into basket, a rabbit is running by)* Oh, my bunny! What are you doing? Who are you escaping from?

Rabbit: I'm playing hide and seek with the squirrels.

Squirrel: How are you, Little Red Hood? Have you seen the rabbit?

Red Hood: Yes, I have. He's over here.

Squirrel: I'm in a hurry! Bye, bye for now. Have a nice day!

Hedgehog: Hi, Little Red Hood! Where are you going with the basket?

Red Hood: I'm on my way to grannie's.

Hedgehog: Give her my love, will you?

Red Hood: (*picking the flowers*) They smell beautifully.

Why aren't the birds singing? Deathly silence! What's wrong? (*looking around, somebody lurks among the trees*)

Wolf: Hello, what's your name, little girl?

Red Hood: Little Red Hood but my mummy doesn't allow me to talk with strangers. People say that a bad wolf is in the woods.

Wolf: Oh, I haven't met any bad wolf here. People always tell bare-faced lies. You are so cute. By the way, my sweetheart, what are you doing here alone in the woods?

Red Hood: I'm going to visit my grannie, it's not far from here. I'll go through this birch wood and right over there there is a white cottage in a clearing. That is where my grannie lives. I'm bringing her some cake, jam and raspberry juice. They are here inside this basket.

Wolf: Does your grannie live alone?

Red Hood: Yes, she lives alone and now she's looking forward to my coming. We shall have our tea together. I've forgotten that I shouldn't talk with strangers. Are you strange, Mr Wolf?

Wolf: Of course not. I like (*eating – to the audience*) little girls. I'm sure that your grandma will be very glad to get a bunch of bluebells. You can find the most beautiful flowers over there, behind those two big pine trees at the edge of the clearing. I'm sorry, Little Red Hood, I have to go now. Have a nice walk. (*to the audience*) Do you know that the way to a wolf's heart is through his stomach?

SCENE III

(*In the grandmother's house*)

Narrator: In the meantime, Little Red Hood's grandmother was waiting for her granddaughter in her little house. She was sitting in her favourite armchair wearing her glasses and her bonnet. She was knitting woolen socks for winter. From time to time she stroked her two kittens.

Grandmother: My little kittens, do you fancy some milk?

(*Suddenly somebody knocked hard on the door*)

Who is it? Is it you, Little Red Hood?

Wolf: (with a shrill voice) Yes, grannie, it's me, Little Red Hood. I have brought you some cake, jam and home made raspberry juice. It's delicious.

Grandmother: Open the door, dear! *(Wolf jumps into the house and swallows grannie)*

Wolf: I have to put the glasses on my nose and the bonnet on my head *(sits in grannie's armchair and starts waiting for Little Red Hood)* Little Red Hood should be here before long.

SCENE IV

In the grandmother's house

Red Hood: Knock, knock! Grannie, it's me, Little Red Hood. Can I come in? What's going on? Is my grannie asleep? Where are the kittens? I can't see them.

Wolf: *(with a strange, harsh voice)* Is it you sweetie?

Red Hood: Yes, it's me, grannie. I'm bringing you some cake. But grannie, why have you got such a strange voice?

Wolf: Come in, Red Hood, come in. I have a little cold. The door is open.

Red Hood: *(pulls the door carefully and enters the house)*
Grannie, why have you got such big eyes?

Wolf: To see you better, my darling!

Red Hood: *(stepping back frightened, after a while)* Grannie, and why have you got such big ears?

Wolf: To hear you better, my baby.

Red Hood: Grannie, and what about your hands? They are extremely big.

Wolf: *(laughing)* To hug you, my appetizing little granddaughter!

Red Hood: *(screaming)* To eat you, my sweetheart!
(Wolf jumps off the armchair and swallows Little Red Hood and eats all the food from the basket)
Delicious, it's so delicious! Jam, cake, raspberry juice and tasty Little Red Hood.
(After a while)
I feel sleepy. I'll go to bed. What a beautiful day! Oh, my bonnet!

SCENE V

(In the grandmother's house)

Narrator: In the meantime Little Red Hood's father was coming back from the forest. He remembered to take his daughter from the grannie's house.

Forester: *(passing by the grannie's house)* Little Red Hood, come here! Let's go home! It's getting dark.

(After a while) What's on? Where is my daughter? Where is the grandmother? What? A snoring wolf with a huge belly? What's happened? I see!

(shouting)

You horrid wolf! Tell me at once: What did you do with the grandmother and the girl?

Tell me or I'll take my rifle out!

Wolf: *(ashamed)* They looked so appetizing that I couldn't resist them.

Forester: How dare you do that, you glutton! Give the grannie and Little Red Hood back right now! If not I'm taking my rifle out!

Wolf: You don't need your rifle! Yes, yes, just a moment!....khe, khe..
(coughs, grannie and Little Red Hood jump out of his belly)

Red Hood: Oh, Daddy!

Grandmother: Thank you for saving us! *(happy music)*

Narrator: All of them were happy, jumping for joy. The ashamed wolf fled to the woods as quickly as possible and nobody has seen him since. All the family lived happily in their little house by the stream, for a long time.

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