

ACT 1

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Fairy Godmother (flash)

Welcome to you all, so glad that you are here, it's been so long upon this stage that we last appeared.

We've missed the laughs, we've missed the boo's, we've missed the custard pies, we've missed the special magic that shine's from children's eyes.

So on we go with our show, this year it's Cinderella, with the love struck Buttons, he'd love to be her fella.

But as you know in panto land things rarely go so smooth, there's always someone watching to thwart your every move

I think I've said enough in rhyme, so we'll simply have a chat, what do YOU know of Cinders and then we'll make a pact! (a big sigh)

(no longer speaks in rhyme)

It's so lovely to see you all, we're so excited about Cinderella, are you? **(let them shout back, repeat it again)** do you boys and girls all know the story? **(again let them shout)** Can you shout out if you do, do you know who I am (let them shout a couple of times ask them what you do in the story), right that's very good, and who knows who else is in Cinderella **(hopefully they'll shout out prince, ugly sisters etc, if not you'll have to help them lol when you've done that part move on)**

Boys and girls could you help me please? **(wait for reply)**

I've got this beautiful magic wand and I can see that some of you have magic wands too, I need help sometimes to give me extra powers so I can grant more wishes, so when I wave my magic wand can you wave your magic wand too. If you don't have a wand don't worry you could wave your hands in the air then that would really help. Shall we have a practice? "swish swish grant a wish" **(after a couple of times say, Oh that's brilliant thank you so much)**

So don't forget when you see me wave my wand, you wave your wands or wave your hands I will be looking to see if you are, I'll have to go now boys and girls back to my fairy dell, it is so beautiful there, with trees hung with lollipops and chocolates, a magic ice cream machine which makes every kind of flavour, mmmm delicious! Am I making you jealous, well when you have enough magic powers then you can have your own. How good is that! I even have my own Gin tree and Love Island on repeat! But that is just for the adults. So adults if YOU want these things you will have to join in too! So just before I leave you for a while, shall we try one more time with EVERYONE waving our wands and hands and then we will see what is happening in Panto land, "swish swish grant a wish" (When they have finished shout goodbye for now, see you soon, lights will go down and tinkling music for your exit.

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The scene opens on a village square with market stalls and all chorus on stage and opening chorus number which includes Cinderella

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At end of number Buttons enters and chats to a few people then turns to talk to audience. At this point everyone else freezes