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CHARACTER & SCENE BREAKDOWN

The traditional Snow White fairy tale with a Wild West Twist!

Snow White, heiress to the 'Happy Ever After Cattle' ranch, is the fairest girl on the prairie – but her wicked and jealous stepmother, Widow Blackheart, plots to separate her from her fortune!

Can Snow White survive her treacherous schemes and win the hand of Sheriff Vince Charming?

A band of seven brave miners, her life long friend, Nanny Oakley, a pantomime horse and a brainless idiot, Silly Billy the kid, are there to help her!

A terrific family pantomime full of silliness and audience participation!



CHARACTER NOTES

Snow White

Female

Our heroine. A wealthy heiress.

Sheriff Vince Charming

Female

The hero. Principal boy. A dashing lawman.

Nanny Oakley

Male

Snow White's lifelong companion. Traditional dame role.

Silly Billy the Kid

Male

Snow White's best friend. The comedy linkman.

Tornado

Male / Female

A pantomime horse with a wind problem. 2 actors required!

Widow Drusilla Blackheart

Female

The wicked villain. A jealous stepmother to Snow White who dabbles in magic and sorcery!

'One-Eyed' Slim

Male / Female

A Bounty Hunter. Reluctant Henchman to the villain.

Chief Shining Mirror

Male / Female

The mystic local medicine man that Widow Blackheart consults.

The Seven 'Dwarfs'

Male / Female

A septet of retired gun slingers, now mining for gold. Bossy Bob, Ready Reg, Speedy Sam, Curious Clive, Forgetful Fred, Punning Pete and Changeable Charlie.

Chorus (Adults and Children)

Western folk, bounty hunters, desert spirits, assorted prairie animals and others! The script includes a number of small speaking parts and chorus lines that can be shared out.



THE PLOT

ACT ONE

Prologue

Front of cloth

Featuring: *Voice over, Snow White, Widow Blackheart*

Setting the scene and introducing the two key characters

Scene one – The Happy Ever After Ranch

Main stage

Featuring: *Chorus, Silly Billy, Nanny Oakley, Snow White, Tornado, Widow Blackheart, Sheriff Charming*

We meet Billy, Nanny and Tornado. Sheriff Vince comes 'a calling' to visit the birthday girl, Snow White but it is clear the Widow has her sights set on him.

Scene Two - Widow Blackheart's Cave

Front of cloth

Featuring: *Widow Blackheart, Indian Chief, One-Eyed Slim*

The Widow consults her pet Indian Chief and discovers she is no longer the fairest in the West. Bounty hunter, One Eyed slim is charged with disposing of Snow White.

Scene Three – The Happy Ever After Ranch

Main Stage

Featuring: *Chorus, Sheriff Charming, Silly Billy, Nanny Oakley, Widow Blackheart, Tornado*

The party is in full swing, but the guest of honour is nowhere to be found. The Widow suggest Snow White has run off with bounty hunter which the others can't believe. Tornado is despatched to go find her,

Scene Four – In the Mine

Front of Cloth

Featuring: *The Seven Dwarfs*

We are introduced to the seven dwarfs in their mine.

Scene Five – Death Valley through to Outside the Mine

Main Stage

Featuring: *One-Eyed Slim, Snow White, Tornado, Chorus*

The bounty hunter can't bring himself to kill Snow White and leaves her there alone. After a few scares (provided by chorus members as assorted creatures!) she is found by Tornado but they are lost and exhausted. They stumble upon the empty Miners' camp and settle down for the night.



Act Two

Scene One – Outside the Mine at the Miner’s Camp

Main stage

Featuring: *The Chief, the Seven Dwarfs, Snow White, Tornado and Chorus*

After a brief intro / recap from the Chief, the miners return to the camp after a heavy day’s mining, to discover Snow White curled up asleep. They wake her and introduce themselves and Snow White explains her predicament. They agree that she can stay with them, but since they are not as recluse as one would suspect, they decide to disguise her so regular visitors don’t recognise her. Sure enough after she is amusingly transformed, local townsfolk come visiting to trade for gold and an impromptu hoe down starts which all join in.

Scene Two – Widow Blackheart’s cave

Front of cloth

Featuring: *Nanny Oakley, Silly Billy, Widow Blackheart, the Indian Chief, One-Eyed Slim*

Back at the ranch Nanny and Billy have been sick with worry and have been searching high and low, and by chance have discovered the Widow’s hidden cave in the cellar. While there though, they have to hide as the Widow enters with One-Eyed Slim. He has to report back that he has eliminated Snow White, and hands over a coyote’s heart as evidence. She then summons the Chief and checks that she is now the fairest on the prairie and of course it is revealed Snow White is still alive. Furious she concocts a poisonous toffee apple (but unknown to here the ingredients are switched by Billy at the last moment), and then transforms herself by potion into a hideous crone. She leaves cackling to seek out Snow White. Nanny and Billy have of course overheard all this and set off to try and stop her or find Snow White first.

Scene Three – The Town Fair

Main stage

Featuring: *The Seven Dwarfs, Snow White, Tornado, Nanny Oakley, Silly Billy, the Chorus, Widow Blackheart*

It’s the town fair and all the local folk are in a party mood with dancing, stalls, gambling and all manner of fun. Snow White is still in disguise and bumps into Nanny and Billy, but fearing for her own and their safety has to keep up the pretence. She is left alone for a while and the Widow who has overheard them pounces and persuades her to try an apple. The poison puts Snow White out and the Widow exits cackling. Much consternation as the Dwarfs, Nanny, Billy and Chorus return. Nanny, Billy and Tornado set off to find Sheriff Vince, while the Dwarfs decide to set off to the ranch and deal with the Widow once and for all. The others will rendezvous there.

Scene Four – Out in the Desert

Front of cloth

Featuring: *Nanny Oakley, Silly Billy the Kid, Tornado, 3 Chorus as the ‘Behind you creatures’, Sheriff Charming*

Out in the desert, Silly Billy, Nanny and Tornado are hopelessly lost. A ‘behind you’ scene. Short of water they resign themselves to a rather sticky or should that be rather *dry* end,



but Sheriff Charming happens by and finds them just in time. Since he can navigate, they head off with him to the showdown at the ranch.

Scene Five – The Happily Ever After Ranch

Main stage

Featuring: *All*

Its time for the final reckoning with the Widow. Convinced she is now in command she has hired a bunch of henchmen. The Seven Dwarfs and the other goodies arrive for a battling showdown. It's touch and go but the Dwarfs come through in the end and the Widow is beaten. Snow White is kissed and woken. Snow White inherits the ranch, the Sheriff can now marry her, the Widow gets her comeuppance and all other loose ends are tied up!

Scene Six - Song Sheet

Front of cloth

Featuring: *Tornado and Silly Billy*

Song sheet and final business

Scene Seven – Finale – The Happily ever after Ranch

Main stage

Featuring: *Everyone*

Finale song / walk down and final couplets