



PRINCESS PENELOPE AND THE DRAGON

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Notes for a Household Production:

1. Establish your settings before you start. Example: the kitchen can be the castle, a bedroom can be the deep dark cave (or you can build a blanket fort), your yard can be the meadow.
2. Assign the roles. People can play more than one character. Do you have a hat/shirt/scarf you can use to establish the differences in the characters?
3. Props – You can have props or just pretend to have props.
4. Print scripts for each actor and highlight lines. Read the script out loud before performing.
5. Anything written in Italics are stage directions. They are not meant to be read, but acted.

Characters:

Princess Penelope

Lords and Ladies

Dragon

Prince Henry

King Henderson

Settings:

Castle

A meadow

A deep dark cave



SCENE ONE

In the castle

Princess Penelope

Daddy! I am going for a walk.

King Henderson

Okay, Penelope, but don't forget, I am making your favorite tonight. Haggis and onions!

Princess Penelope

That's not my favorite, it's your favorite!

King Henderson

Oh yeah! Well, how about I throw in some spaghetti and meatballs too!

Princess Penelope

YUM! I won't be long. I will just gather some flowers to decorate the table.
Prince Henry comes screeching in on his bike.

Prince Henry

Totally righteous! Did you see that excellent skid mark I just left?!

King Henderson

Henry! You are cleaning that up right now.

Prince Henry

Aw man! Totally lame, dude.

Princess Penelope

Aren't you supposed be protecting the castle?

Princess Henry

I knew I was forgetting something.



Princess Penelope

Maybe protecting the castle just isn't your thing. See you later, LITTLE brother.

I'm going to pick flowers.

She exits.

Prince Henry

Don't call me little, dude.

King Henderson

Don't call your sister, dude.

Prince Henry

Fine, dude.

King Henderson

And, don't call me "dude", I'm your dad, and the king. Now get to cleaning!

Prince Henry

Do I have to du—I mean, dad?

King Henderson

No of course not, but if you don't, you'll never ride that bike of yours again.

Prince Henry

Seriously?!?! Fine!

He exits.

King Henderson

Now let's get cooking! Can't wait for some haggis and onions!

He exits.



SCENE TWO

Princess Penelope is in the field picking flowers.

Princess Penelope

Oooh, yellow roses. Oh cool! A frog.

She starts to look at the frog and talk to it, but doesn't notice the DRAGON sneaking up behind her.

Dragon

Boo!

Princess Penelope

Ahhhhhhh!

Dragon

Whoa! You scream loud.

Princess Penelope

Uh, yeah, I do! Especially when a dragon sneaks up on me! What are you doing here?

Dragon

I see you like frogs.

Princess Penelope

Yes, I do.

Dragon

I have some frogs in my deep dark cave. Want to come check them out?

Princess Penelope

I don't think that would be the best idea. After all, you are a dragon.



Dragon

Well, I tried to be nice. Guess I'll have to try my super secret power.

Princess Penelope

Huh?

Dragon

ROOOOAAAAAAR!

Princess Penelope passes out from the loud roar (or the dragon's stinky breath) the actor can choose. DRAGON takes her back to his deep dark cave.



SCENE THREE

Back at the castle. KING HENDERSON is sitting at his throne admiring the smells coming from the kitchen. Lords and ladies come running in. There can be as many as you want.

Lords and Ladies

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

King Henderson

What?!? The princess has been kidnapped? By who?!?!?

Lords and Ladies

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

King Henderson

A Dragon! That's ridiculous! All the dragons were killed ages ago!

Lords and Ladies

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

King Henderson

He took her to his deep dark cave!

Lords and Ladies

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

King Henderson

Yes! That is my delicious haggis cooking.

Lords and Ladies

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!



King Henderson

Yes, I used my mom's recipe. WAIT! We're getting off topic! Where is his deep dark cave?

Lords and Ladies

Chatter! Chatter! Chatter!

King Henderson

I see.

Screaming

Prince Henry!

Prince Henry

Yeah, dude.

King Henderson

Excuse me?!?!

Prince Henry

I mean Dad. Majesty Dad, what's up?

King Henderson

Your sister has been captured by a dragon.

Prince Henry

A dragon?! Du—I mean Dad. That's like totally tubular! I get her room!

King Henderson

No. You are going to rescue her.

Prince Henry

Rescue her! Sounds hard. I'm totally not into hard.



King Henderson

Do you ever want to ride that bike of yours again?

Prince Henry

Ah man, not cool.

King Henderson

It is cool. I'm the king. Now go.



SCENE FOUR

In the deep dark cave. Princess Penelope is waking up.

Princess Penelope

What happened?

Dragon

I used my fearsome roar and you went to sleep.

Princess Penelope

More like, I passed out. What are you going to do to me? Eat me?

Dragon

Eat you? Gross!

Princess Penelope

Well, then why else would you bring me back to your deep dark cave?

Dragon

Do you like tea?

Princess Penelope

I love tea!

Dragon

Oh good! I've put a pot of chamomile on.

Princess Penelope

My favorite! I like it almost as much as I like spaghetti and meatballs.

Dragon

I love spaghetti and meatballs! Do you sprinkle yours with cheese?



Princess Penelope

I do! Lots of it! Too much my dad says.

Dragon

No such thing as too much cheese!

They both start to laugh.

Princess Penelope

Why did you bring me back here?

Dragon

Well, the truth is—

Prince Henry comes racing in on his bike.

Prince Henry

Look at my totally awesome skid mark, man!

Sees the dragon

NOW! Unhand my sister dragon!

Dragon

Your "totally awesome skid mark" messed up my cave. Clean it up, duuuuuuuuude.

Prince Henry

You can't call me dude.

Dragon

I think I just did, dude.

Prince Henry

Oh no you don't, dude.



Dragon

Oh yes I did, dude.

Prince Henry

No, dude.

Dragon

Yes, dude.

Prince Henry

No, dude.

Dragon

Dude, yes, dude.

Princess Penelope

Both of you stop it!

Prince Henry

Sister! I'm here to rescue you, because I am your awesome brother.

Princess Penelope

And what are you rescuing me from? A dragon, who wants to sip tea?

Prince Henry

Huh?

Princess Penelope

To Dragon

Why did you bring me here?

Dragon

The truth is, I was lonely. All the other dragons have disappeared and I have no friends.



Princess Penelope

Oh no! That's terrible. You should come stay with us!

Dragon and Prince Henry

Huh?

Princess Penelope

Well, we could use a strong dragon with a fearsome roar to protect the castle.

Prince Henry

Hey, that's my job!

Princess Penelope

But, I'm sure you would rather be riding bike and practicing your cool tricks.

Prince Henry

That would be righteous!

Princess Penelope

To Dragon

We are having spaghetti and meatballs tonight.

Dragon

YUUUUUMMMM!

Prince Henry

Let's get back to the castle, dudes!



SCENE FIVE

*Back at the castle. The king is sitting in front of the table that has a delicious meal laid out.
All the Lords and Ladies are there.*

Lords

Chatter, chatter

Ladies

Chatter, chatter

King Henderson

Chatter, chatter

Lords

Chatter, chatter

Ladies

Chatter, chatter

King Henderson

Chatter, chatter

Enter Princess Penelope, Dragon, and Prince Henry

King Henderson

Princess Penelope, you're back in time for—whoa! Is that a dragon?!?!?

Lords and Ladies

CHATTER! CHATTER!

Princess Penelope

He's a friendly dragon! He likes tea and spaghetti and—



Dragon

Is that haggis and onions! Delicious!

King Henderson

He can stay! You shall be protector of the castle!

Dragon

Oh, thank you your majesty!

King Henderson

Now let's eat!

THE END