

SCENE 1 : In the palace

(lights on to Wicked Queen holding mirror up and gazing into it)

WICKED QUEEN: (to mirror) Mirror, mirror in my hand,
Who's the fairest in the land.....?

MIRROR (VOICE): Queen, THOU art the fairest in this hall,
But Snow White's fairer than us all.....

WICKED QUEEN: (to mirror)
For years you've told me I'm lovely and fair,
Competition is something I simply can't bear.....
It's perfectly clear Snow White must go,
But how to do it? - I think I know.....

(calls to servant offstage)

WICKED QUEEN: Bring me someone who knows the bush well,
And to him my devious plan I will tell.....

(enter scout)

WICKED QUEEN: Take Snow White into the bush,
Take her to Govett's and give her a push.....
(cackles)

SCOUT: But she's such a fair child,
So pure and young.....!

WICKED QUEEN : Do as I say and hold your tongue.....!

(both exit separately)

SCENE 2 : In the bush near Govett's

(typical Australian bush sounds - kookooburras, chainsaws,
4WD' s, crude bushwalkers ...
enter Snow White accompanied by scout)

SCOUT: Do you admire the view my dear?
There's a pleasant picnic spot near here.....
So here we are, a pleasant twosome,
But I have a job that's really quite gruesome.....
(aside) I'll sit down here and give her a drink,
Before I shove her over the brink.....

SNOW WHITE: We've walked all morning, and my feet are so sore,
I cant go on - I've blisters galore.....
Let's rest a minute and have a drink,
Govett's is wonderful, don't you think.....?
I've no idea of the job you must do,
But let's partake of a Riesling or two.....

** SONG #1 ** (Snow White replenishes his glass constantly, while scout
sings the Drinking Song from the Student prince - Scout
becomes drunk, falls over a log and disappears over
Govett's - Snow White shouts an irreverent T-I-M-B-E-R ! as
he goes over the edge)

SNOW WHITE: Thank goodness he's gone, the silly old twit,
Trust a scout to bungle his bit.....
Well, I've tricked the queen,
And the old scout's dead,
So it's off to Blue Gum that I must tread.....

(gets out map and compass - and throws away the Riesling bottle)

SNOW WHITE: Wish I had my tent tonight,
There's not another soul in sight
It's getting late, I'm a trifle weary,
And the Riesling's made my eyes quite bleary

(rubs eyes, yawns, looks up and peers away)

SNOW WHITE: But wait - away in the distance a cottage I see,
I do hope they'll invite me in for tea.....
Or even to watch 'Sale of the Centuree'

(exits to walk down to Blue Gum)

SCENE 3 : Dwarf's cottage in Blue Gum

(Snow White enters)

SNOW WHITE: Good gracious me ! ... now THIS is my scene,
It's warm and cosy and perfectly clean ...
It looks like there's a table for seven,
Clearly a case of seventh heaven ...

(samples food and drink)

SNOW WHITE : A little from here, a little from there,
I'll sit myself down and rest in a chair.....

(tries out chair, but eventually settles for a lilo, lies down and goes to sleep - dwarfs enter singly, and form a circle, singing :)

** SONG #2 **

(the Seven Dwarfs)

DWARF 1: (sits up and down on log)

Who's been sitting on my little log?

DWARF 2: (scrapes upside down plate with spoon)

Who's been eating out of my little plate.....?

DWARF 3: (searches around angrily)

Who swiped my damper.....?

DWARF 4: (shakes empty packet)

Who's been gutsing my dehyds.....?

DWARF 5: (upturns Jerry) Who's been using my billy.....?

DWARF 6: (sounding utterly devastated as he looks down top)

Who pinched ALL my Rose.....?

DWARF 7: (pointing) Who's sleeping on MY lilo.....?

(all the dwarfs gather around)

SEVEN DWARFS: (in unison) Ah ! (sigh) Isn't she lovely.....?

DWARF 1: WHO could SHE be.....?

DWARF 2: (SNEEZY - puts finger under nose) A-tish-oo.....!

OTHER DWARFS: (loudly) Gesundheit..... ! (Snow White wakes up)

(Dwarf 2 leads other dwarfs singing to her the
Waltons/Norman Ross Jingle - 'We're gunna win ya' ...
ending with 'in Blue Gum' instead of 'at Waltons')

SNOW WHITE: My name's Snow White, and you guys are terrific,
Though a couple of you look a trifle arthritic.....
It's from the palace that I have fled,
For my wicked stepmother wants me dead.....
I've nowhere to go, can I stay here?
I'll be your cook and brew your beer.....

DWARF 1: And pump up our lilos?
DWARF 2: And wash our socks?
DWARF 3: Trim our beards.....?
DWARF 4: And cut our locks.....?
DWARF 5: Scrub out our billies until they shine.....?
DWARF 6: And serve us with our beer and wine.....?
SNOW WHITE: (enthusiastically) Yes...,! Yes. ! Yes...,!
** SONG #3 ** (the Seven Dwarfs - dancing also)
DWARF 7: Stay with us here then, but always beware,
There's danger lurking everywhere !

(dwarfs exit in single file with hands on shoulders of dwarf in fronts
singing :)

SEVEN DWARFS: (with musical accompaniment)
Heigh-ho ! Heigh-ho ! It's bush-walk-ing we go...!
With a Paddy pack along the track.....!
Heigh-ho ! Heigh-ho ! Heigh-ho ! Heigh-ho.... !

(NOTE - pause to change scenes)

VOICE: meanwhile, back at the palace.....

(voices come from stage, but in darkness)

WICKED QUEEN: Mirror, mirror in my hand,
Who's the fairest in the land.....?

MIRROR (VOICE): Down in Blue Gum where the Seven Dwarfs dwell,
Snow White is still alive and well
Though, Queen, you're the fairest that I now see,
There's STILL none quite so fair as she

WICKED QUEEN: I'll dress myself as a simple peasant,
And give her a truly deadly present

SCENE 4 : Dwarf's cottage again

(lights on - Wicked Queen appears with basket of apples outside the Dwarf's cottage in Blue Gum, knocks at door and Snow White appears)

WICKED QUEEN: (disguised voice) Good morning, Snow White my dear,
I've a lovely basket of apples here
Do take one,
You've nothing to fear.....

SNOW WHITE: The dwarfs have told me to take care,
But there can't be harm in those apples there

(takes apple, bites, drops to ground, and Wicked Witch exits cackling - dwarfs come home and are very upset)

DWARF 1: Our lovely Snow White is on the floor ...

DWARF 2: Alas ! Alas ! She breathes no more

DWARF 3: It's the work of the Queen, you can be sure

DWARF 4: She can't be gone far,
Let's after her roam ...

DWARF 5: We'll nab her for sure before she gets home ...

DWARF 6: (gleefully) Let's after her with a tent peg skewer,
Then head her off and run it right through her.....

(six dwarfs rush off - witch reappears, panting heavily, perhaps several times, then exits again - while offstage she gives bloodcurdling scream -

** SONG #5 **
(possibly) dwarfs shout 'Hooray' and troop on again together singing 'Heigh-ho, the witch is dead !')

DOC: (DWARF - consulting CMW program)

Says here not to 'phone the fuzz,
So I'll just give S & R a buzz.....

(rings up on a dummy phone, then turns aside)

DOC: Don't worry chaps, you've nothing to fear,
S & R will soon be here ...
(as the scene ends, sad music - one dwarf returns to place a posy on Snow White's chest - pause while the audience groans)

SCENE 5 : Blue Gum

(dwarfs standing around Snow White - sound of helicopter - they all look up and Colin Watson appears from sky!)

S & R CHIEF: Here we are, we heard your call,
You've dragged me away from the Bushwalkers' Ball...
I've brought Dennis, he's my valet,
He's dressing me to-morrow,
I'm going to the ballet,.....
Then I'm off to a meeting of Federation,
THAT's sure to cure MY constipation
Tutu's aside, folks - What cheek ! What gall !

(looking around)

S & R CHIEF: Gee, its not like the Budawangs at all ...!
I'm a rescue expert, nothing's too tough,
Of chaps like me there are never enough.....!
You Blue Gum dwarfs are always in trouble,
Now, let's take a look at your latest muddle.....

(prods Snow White, applies stethoscope to her chest)

S & R CHIEF : Hmmm ... no sign there of animation,
Clearly a case for resuscitation.....

(mouth to mouth)

S & R CHIEF: Oh ! What a simply exquisite face,
This could become my favourite case.....!

SNOW WHITE: (wakes up and sees S & R chief)

Prince Charming you may not be,
But I shore am glad you've rescued me.....!

DWARF 4: Like all good pantos our ending's right
With Snow White rescued from her plight.

DWARF 5: Do give a cheer for our gallant crew
Who brought this crazy show to you.

DWARF 6: Before you go there's one more song
We promise that it won't take long.

** SONG #4 ** (everyone sings ... FINALE)

SONGS FOR: SNOW WHITE AND THE SEVEN DWARFS

SONG 1 Drinking Song

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Drink, drink, drink to eyes that are bright and stars when they're shining on me
Drink, drink, drink to lips that are red and sweet as the fruit on the tree.
Here's a hope that those bright eyes will shine,
Lovingly, longingly soon into mine.
May those lips that are red and sweet
Tonight with joy my own lips meet.
Drink, drink, let the toast start,
May young hearts never part.
Drink drink drink
Let every true lover salute his sweet heart.

Here's a hope that those soft arms will twine,
Tenderly, trustingly, soon around mine.
May she give me a priceless boon
Her love beneath the sweet May moon.
Drink, drink, let the toast start.
May young hearts never part
Drink, drink, drink
Let every lover salute his sweet heart.
Let's drink.

SONG 2 Heigh-Ho

Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho to make your troubles go,
Just keep on singing all day long
Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho,
For if you're feeling low,
You positively can't go wrong
With a Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho.

Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, It's home from work we go,
Just keep on singing all day long.
Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho,
All seven in a row,
You positively can't go wrong
With a Heigh-Ho, Heigh-Ho.

SONG 3 WHISTLE WHILE YOU WORK

Just whistle while you work (whistle)
Put on that grin and start right in,
To whistle loud and long.
Just hum a merry tune (hum)
Just do your best, then take a rest,
And sing yourself a song.

When there's too much to do,
Don't let it bother your,
Forget your trouble,
Try to be just like the cheerful chickadee,
And whistle while you work (whistle)
Come on, get smart, tune up and start,
To whistle while you work.

Just whistle while you work (whistle) *(This last stanza is crossed out)*
Put on that grin and start right in,
To whistle loud and long.
Just hum a merry tune. (hum)
Just do your best, then take a rest,
And sing yourself a song.
When there's too much to do,
Don't let I bother you,
Forget your trouble
Try to be the cheerful chickadee,
And whistle while you work (whistle)
Come on, get smart, tune up and start,
To whistle while you work.

SONG 4 FINALE (to the tune of "Botany Bay")

We've come to the end of our story
And what a performance it's been
We hope you enjoyed our production
We sure did have fun as a team.

Chorus Singing toorali, oorali, addity
Singing toorali, oorali, ay
Singing toorali, oorali, addity
We sure did have fun as a team.

There's Snow White she is our your heroine,
There's the seven small dwarfs as well,
The scout and the queen they removed from the scene
So remember the story we tell.

Chorus Singing toorali, oorali, addity
Singing toorali, oorali, ay
Singing toorali, oorali, addity
So remember the story we tell.

Farewell to our star-studded pantimime
Farewell to the cast of the play
Farewell to you all at the B-B-Q
It's been great to see you today.

Chorus Singing toorali, oorali, addity
Singing toorali, oorali, ay
Singing toorali, oorali, addity
It's been great to see you here today.