Disney PRINCESS

THE LITTLE MERMAID

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COME LISTEN TO A STORY OF THE OCEAN BLUE...

SQUAWK!

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ISN'T THIS SEA AIR WONDERFUL?

HEAVE, HO!

THE WIND IN YOUR HAIR. AH, IT'S A FABULOUS DAY TO BE AT SEA!

YEAH... GULP! F-FABULOUS!

THERE'S A FAIR WIND TO PUSH US ALONG AND A CALM SEA. *TRITON* MUST BE IN A GOOD MOOD TODAY!

TRITON?

YES, YOUR HIGHNESS. HE'S THE KING OF THE MERPEOPLE!

DON'T LISTEN TO ALL THOSE SILLY SAILOR'S STORIES, ERIC! NOTHING BUT SUPERSTITIONS!

BUT IT'S TRUE. BENEATH THE SEA, NEAR THE OCEAN'S FLOOR, LIVE THE MERPEOPLE!

AARGH!

SPLAT

FLAP

... IN A WONDROUS WORLD...

SPLASH

... BELOW!

PHEW!

AND NOW, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THE GUEST HONOR AT OUR CONCERT THIS EVENING...

... HIS ROYAL HIGHNESS...

TARA TATATA

... KING TRITON!

HOORAY! LONG LIVE THE KING!

AND NOW, IT IS MY GREAT PLEASURE TO PRESENT HIS MAJESTY'S DISTINGUISHED MUSICAL COMPOSER...

HORATIO FELONIOUS IGNACIOUS CRUSTACEOUS *SEBASTIAN!*

I'M REALLY LOOKING FORWARD TO THIS PERFORMANCE, SEBASTIAN!

YOUR MAJESTY IS MOST KIND...

... YOUR BEAUTIFUL DAUGHTERS WILL MAKE IT GOOD!

YES, ESPECIALLY MY DARLING LITTLE ARIEL!

HMM, INDEED, SHE HAS THE PRETTIEST VOICE IN THE WORLD...

... IF ONLY SHE WOULD TURN UP AT REHEARSALS ONCE IN A WHILE!

THE DAUGHTERS OF TRITON ARE WE. OUR FATHER HAS CHOSEN EACH NAME FOR US WELL...

... LISTEN NOW TO OUR SISTER WHOSE VOICE RINGS LIKE A BELL...

... HER NAME IS *ARIE*...

GASP!

OH, NO! SHE, S-SHE'S...

WHAT? NOT HERE!

MEANWHILE...

HURRY UP, FLOUNDER!

WAIT FOR ME, ARIEL!

PHEW! YOU KNOW I CAN'T SWIM AS FAST AS YOU!

LOOK! THERE IT IS!

ISN'T IT FABULOUS, FLOUNDER?

WELL, IF YOU LIKE THAT SORT OF THING! COME ON...

... LET'S GET OUT OF HERE!

FLOUNDER! DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE GETTING COLD FINS!

ME? DON'T BE SILLY! IT'S JUST... UMM... ER... IT LOOKS A BIT DAMP IN THERE!

AND, WELL, YOU KNOW... WITH MY... HACK... NASTY COUGH!

NEVER MIND YOUR COUGH! JUST STAND GUARD AND WATCH OUT FOR ***SHARKS*** WHILE I EXPLORE!

W-WHAT? ***S-SHARKS?***

H-H-HELP! I'M STUCK!
OH, FLOUN-DER!
DO YOU REALLY THINK THERE ARE SHARKS AROUND HERE?
POP
FLOUNDER...
AARGH!
... DON'T BE SO SCARED OF EVERYTHING!
I'M NOT SCARED, CAN'T YOU SEE I LOVE ADVENTURE!
BONK
AARGH!
CRAC
OOOH!
ARIEL!
CRAC
ARE YOU OKAY, FLOUNDER?
SURE, NO PROBLEM! I'M ENJOYING EVERY MOMENT!
WOW! JUST LOOK AT THIS!

HAVE YOU EVER SEEN ANYTHING SO GORGEOUS?

WELL, IT'S NOT BAD...

... BUT WHAT IS IT?

I'VE NO IDEA BUT I...

... BET SCUTTLE CAN TELL US!

HMM! I WONDER WHAT THEY USED THIS FOR?

ARIEL!

CRASH

H-HELP! A SHARK!

QUICK, FLOUNDER, QUICK!

W-WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

FLUMP

PHEW! THAT WAS CLOSE!

AH-HA! THAT'S ARIEL. IF I'M NOT MISTAKEN, A MILE OFF THE STARBOARD BOW!

YIKES! HEY, THAT WAS QUICK! WHAT A SWIMMER YOU ARE!

LOOK WHAT WE'VE FOUND, SCUTTLE!

WE WENT EXPLORING AN OLD SHIP-WRECK! IT WAS *TERRIFYING!*

HMM! HUMAN BITS AND BOBS, EH?

NOW JUST LOOK AT THAT. THIS REALLY IS SOMETHING SPECIAL!

BUT WHAT IS IT?

IT'S CALLED A *DINGLEHOPPER!* HUMANS USE IT FOR CURLING THEIR HAIR!

SEE? A TWIRL HERE AND A YANK THERE AND YOU END UP WITH A REALLY COOL HAIR STYLE!

A DINGLEHOPPER?

SO WHAT'S THAT?

ER... UMM, THIS? THIS IS A *SNAREBLATT,* DATING BACK TO HYSTERICAL TIMES!

HUMANS USE IT TO MAKE A SPECIAL KIND OF FINE MUSIC...

... LISTEN!

MUSIC?

OH, NO! THE CONCERT! FATHER WILL KILL ME!

THE CONCERT? IS IT *TODAY?*

I MUST FLY! THANKS, SCUTTLE!

ANYTIME, SWEETIE! GLAD TO BE OF HELP!

OH, LOOK! KING TRITON'S YOUNGEST DAUGHTER!

RIGHT!

WOULDN'T URSULA JUST *LOVE* HER!

AH-AAAH!

THERE GOES DADDY'S LITTLE PRINCESS! HURRY UP, DARLING. YOU DON'T WANT TO SPOIL DADDY'S CONCERT, NOW, DO YOU?

HUMPH! CALL THAT A CONCERT! IT'S A DISGRACE!

WHEN I WAS LIVING IN THE PALACE, WE USED TO HAVE *GRAND* CONCERTS! NOW LOOK WHAT I'M REDUCED TO, UTTER MISERY!

BANISHED BY TRITON AND, HMM... LITERALLY DYING OF HUNGER WHILE HE AND HIS FRIENDS LIVE IT UP! DELICIOUS!

WELL, I'LL SOON SHOW THEM WHO'S THE BOSS ROUND HERE, JUST WAIT AND SEE!

FLOTSAM! JETSAM!

I'D LIKE TO KEEP A VERY CLOSE WATCH ON THAT RATHER GORGEOUS LITTLE GIRL OF TRITON'S!

MY INSTINCT TELLS ME SHE COULD BE VERY USEFUL TO ME, ***VERY USEFUL!*** HEE, HEE!

I REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO ABOUT YOU, YOUNG LADY! YOUR CONDUCT IS QUITE DISGRACEFUL! YOU'RE...

... CARELESS AND DISOBEDIENT!

THANKS TO YOU THE CONCERT WAS A...

... WELL, IT WAS COMPLETELY DESTROYED, DAT'S ALL!

WELL, ER, UMM!

... IT WASN'T HER FAULT, SEE!

... A SHARK CHASED US, AND, ER...

... THEN A SEAGULL CAME AND TOLD US...

A SEAGULL!

HAVE YOU BEEN UP TO THE SURFACE *AGAIN?* ANWER ME, YES OR NO?

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU, CHILD? THOSE HUMAN BEINGS ARE BARBARIANS. THEY MIGHT HAVE SEEN YOU!

THEY AREN'T BARBARIANS, PAPA! AND I'M NOT A CHILD, I'M SIXTEEN YEARS OLD!

ONE DAY YOU'LL END UP ON ONE OF THOSE BARBARIAN'S FISH HOOKS AND THEN THEY'LL PUT YOU IN A GLASS CASE! I ABSOLUTELY FORBID YOU TO GO TO THE SURFACE AGAIN!

DO YOU UNDERSTAND, CHILD?

HUMPH!

DO YOU THINK I WAS TOO HARD ON HER, SEBASTIAN?

NO, SIRE! IF SHE WERE MY DAUGHTER I'D KEEP HER UNDER GUARD FOR 24 HOURS EVERY DAY!

GREAT IDEA! AND YOU'RE JUST THE CRAB FOR THE JOB!

M-ME?

GROAN! HOW DID I MANAGE TO LAND MYSELF IN DIS MESS. I SHOULD BE WRITING MAGNIFICENT MUSICAL SYMPHONIES. NOT BEING BABYSITTER TO SOME 16-YEAR-OLD PRINCESS!

OH, NO, WHAT IS SHE UP TO NOW?

YIKES! HELP!

DRAT! HOW EMBARRASSING!

AAARGH!

TUMP

WOW!

I THINK PAPA IS SO WRONG ABOUT HUMANS! IF THEY MAKE LOVELY THINGS LIKE THIS, HOW CAN THEY BE THAT BAD?

BUT I DON'T JUST WANT TO LOOK AT THEIR THINGS. I WANT TO KNOW ALL ABOUT THEM!

I'D LOVE TO BE UP THERE, STANDING UP ON TWO LEGS, WALKING WHEREVER I LIKE AND BREATHING THEIR AIR!

UH-OH!

OH, HOW I'D JUST LOVE TO BELONG TO THE WORLD!

SEBASTIAN!

POP

ARGH!

ARIEL, YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE DOING OR SAYING: AND WHAT'S ALL DIS?

IT'S MY PRIVATE COLLECTION!

YOUR *WHAT?* IF YOUR FATHER KNEW ABOUT DIS!

YOU'RE NOT GOING TO TELL HIM, ARE YOU?

NOW, JUST COME BACK TO THE PALACE, AND WE'LL FORGET ALL ABOUT DIS, SHALL WE?

OH, SEBASTIAN, DON'T LET'S GO YET...

... LOOK UP THERE!

ARIEL! COME BACK HERE! THIS INSTANT!

POP

BOOM

Fiii

OOOOH!

GASP! JUMPIN' JELLYFISH!

ARIEL! *ARIEL!* PLEASE, PLEASE DON'T GO!

ARIEL, COME BACK! *ARIEL!*

OH, LOOK AT THAT!

WOOF!

SNIFF! SNIFF!

MAX! HERE, BOY!

SLURP

HEE, HEE!

MAX, COME HERE THAT'S A GOOD BOY!

WOOF!

SETTLE DOWN NOW, GOOD DOG!

AAHH! HOW SWEET! HEE, HEE!

HAVE A GOOD LOOK! QUITE A SHOW, ISN'T IT?

OH, SCUTTLE, IT'S SO EXCITING! I'VE NEVER BEEN SO CLOSE TO A HUMAN BEFORE!

WOOF!

SIGH! HE LOOKS SO HANDSOME AND KIND!

OH, I DUNNO...

... I'D SAY HE LOOKS KIND A HAIRY AND SLOBBERY!

NOT THAT ONE, STUPID! THE ONE PLAYING THE SNAREBLATT!

QUIET, PLEASE, EVERYONE!

IT IS MY GREAT HONOR AND PRIVILEGE TO PRESENT TO OUR ESTEEMED PRINCE ERIC A VERY EXPENSIVE AND...

... RATHER LARGE BIRTHDAY PRESENT!

OH, GRIMSBY, YOU OLD BEANPOLE, YOU REALLY SHOULDN'T HAVE! IT'S TOO KIND!

I KNOW!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY, SIR!

OH, ER, THANKS, GRIMSBY! IT'S JUST WHAT I'VE ALWAYS WANTED!

GRR!

OF COURSE, I'D RATHER HAVE GIVEN IT TO YOU AS A WEDDING PRESENT, BUT...

OH, DON'T START THAT AGAIN, GRIM!

YOU'RE NOT STILL SORE WITH ME BECAUSE I DIDN'T FALL IN LOVE WITH THAT AWFUL PRINCESS OF GLOWERHAVEN?

IT'S NOT JUST ME, ERIC! THE WHOLE KINGDOM WOULD LIKE TO SEE YOU HAPPILY MARRIED!

THE GIRL I SHALL LOVE IS OUT THERE SOMEWHERE. IT'S JUST THAT I HAVEN'T FOUND HER YET!

THAT'S BECAUSE YOU HAVEN'T BEEN LOOKING HARD ENOUGH, ISN'T IT?

WHEN I FIND HER, I'LL KNOW!

THEN, *BOOM!* SHE'LL KNOCK ME OVER LIKE A BOLT OF LIGHTING!

CRAC

CRAC

WOOOSH

THERE'S A STORM COMING UP!

CRAC

FASTEN THE MAIN SAIL!

WOOOSH

HEAVE-HO!

SPLASH

THE HELM!

AARGH!

SPLASH
BOOM
SQUAWK! ARIEL!
CRASH
NO, PLEASE, NO!
GASP! ERIC! I...
MAX! MAX!
WOOF!
ERIC!
I'M COMING, MY FRIEND!
WOOF!
OH! LOOK HOW BRAVE HE IS!

UMPH!

I'M RIGHT BEHIND YOU, MAX!

YIP!

BOOM

ERIC!

THERE HE IS!

... AND HE IS GOING TO DROWN!

I'LL SAVE YOU, MY PRINCE!

IS HE DEAD?
HMM! DIFFICULT TO SAY.
OHHH!
HE'S BREATHING!
I'D GIVE *ANYTHING* TO LIVE IN YOUR WORLD. I'D PAY *ANY PRICE* TO STAY CLOSE TO YOU...
... YOUR HAND IN MINE, LIFE WOULD BE FINE, HERE IN YOUR *WORLD!*
ERIC!
HUH?
ERIC!
OH, THERE YOU ARE! YOU GAVE ME SUCH A FRIGHT! WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN?
A GIRL HELPED ME AND SAVED MY LIFE!
I DIDN'T SEE HER CLEARLY, BUT SHE HAD THE SWEETEST VOICE I EVER HEARD!
I THINK YOU SWALLOWED A BIT TOO MUCH SEA WATER...
... COME ON, LET'S GO!
WOOF!
ARIEL, I WON'T SAY A THING ABOUT DIS TO YOUR FATHER! THAT WAY I'M LIKELY TO STAY ALIVE!
SOMEWHERE IN TIME, SOMEHOW I'M SURE, I'LL LIVE IN *YOUR WORLD!*
WHAT LUCK! THAT SILLY CHILD'S FALLEN IN LOVE WITH A HUMAN, A PRINCE! THAT MAKES MY PLAN MUCH EASIER! HA, HA!

HEE! HEE! TRITON'S FAVORITE DAUGHTER WILL MAKE A CHARMING ADDITION TO MY LITTLE GARDEN.

MEANWHILE...

I MUST SEE HIM AGAIN! SCUTTLE WILL KNOW WHERE HE LIVES!

ARIEL, PLEASE DON'T!

NOTHING HE CAN OFFER YOU IS WORTH ALL DIS BEAUTY AT THE BOTTOM OF DA OCEAN.

LOOK AT ALL DA MARVELOUS THINGS AROUND US...

... WHERE ELSE COULD YOU SEE SUCH BEAUTY?

♪ UP THERE ON DA SHORES THEY WORK ALL DAY LONG, WHILE ALL WE HAVE TO DO DOWN HERE IS TO FLOAT GENTLY THROUGH LIFE... ♪

♪ ... WHICH IS WHY, HERE IN THE KINGDOM OF TRITON, DERE IS NO DARKNESS, ONLY HAPPINESS, AND... ♪

FLOUNDER, WHAT ARE YOU UP TO? WHAT'S GOING ON?

COME AND SEE! IT'S...

... A *SURPRISE!*

OH, FLOUNDER! IT'S THE STATUE OF THE PRINCE!

HE'S SO HANDSOME...

... OH, ERIC, TAKE ME TO YOUR WORLD! LET ME BE YOURS!

ARIEL!
UH, FATHER!
OH, DEAR, OH, DEAR!
I HAVE CERTAIN RULES IN THIS KINGDOM AND I EXPECT THEM TO BE OBEYED!
BUT, PAPA...
IS IT TRUE WHAT SEBASTIAN HAS TOLD ME, YOU SAVED A HUMAN BEING FROM DROWNING?
IT WAS MY DUTY!
ALL CONTACT BETWEEN OUR UNDERWATER WORLD AND HUMANS IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN, AND YOU KNOW IT!
HE WOULD HAVE DIED WITHOUT ME.
AND A GOOD THING TOO! THAT WOULD HAVE MEANT ONE LESS MONSTER IN THE WORLD! THEY'RE BEASTS! THEY EAT FISH, THEY ARE...
... INCAPABLE OF FEELINGS!
I LOVE HIM, PAPA!
HAVE YOU TAKEN LEAVE OF YOUR SENSES, CHILD? DON'T YOU UNDERSTAND, HE'S HUMAN...

... AND YOU ARE A MERMAID!

I DON'T CARE!

ALL RIGHT, ARIEL! IF THAT'S THE WAY IT'S GOING TO BE...

NO, PAPA, NO!

ZAP!

PAPA, NO! STOP IT! I BEG YOU!

ZAP

ZAP

ZAP

AND AS FOR THIS!

NOT HIM, PAPA, NOT MY PRINCE!

ZAP

HO!

ARIEL! I'M, I'M...

BE QUIET! JUST GO AWAY!

SOB! SOB!

POOR LITTLE THING!

SHE DOES S-SEEM TO HAVE A PROBLEM! PSST! PERHAPS WE COULD DO SSSOMETHING FOR HER!

CHEER UP, DARLING! THINGS ARE NEVER SO BAD AS THEY SEEM!

SOB! W-WHO ARE YOU?

DON'T BE AFRAID! OUR MISTRESS IS SOME-ONE WHO CAN HELP YOU...

... SSSHE COULD BRING YOU AND YOUR PRINCE TOGETHER FOR *EVER!*

URSULA HAS MAGIC POWERS, YOU KNOW!

THE WICKED WITCH OF THE SEAS?

IMPOSSIBLE! NEVER! *GET AWAY FROM ME!*

SSSUIT YOURSELF! IT WAS ONLY A SUGGESTION!

NO! *WAIT!*

Y-Y-YES?

ARIEL, WHERE ARE YOU GOING WITH THOSE CREATURES? DON'T YOU KNOW THEY WORK FOR URSULA?

SHE'S A DEMON! SHE'LL...

GO AND TELL MY FATHER, THEN! YOU'RE VERY GOOD AT THAT!

THISSS WAY, ARIEL!

URGGH!

OH! GO AWAY!

COME IN, MY SWEET!

W-WHAT? GASP!

COME IN, COME IN, DEAR, SWEET CHILD! YOU'RE VERY WELCOME! THERE'S NO NEED TO BE SO SHY! COME IN!

DON'T BE AFRAID, ARIEL! I'M YOUR FRIEND!

NOW, YOU'VE COME TO SEE ME, I EXPECT, BECAUSE, BECAUSE YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO HELP YOU MEET...

... THIS HUMAN BEING, THIS PRINCE WHAT'S-HIS-NAME! CAN'T SAY I BLAME YOU, EITHER!

... HE IS RATHER HANDSOME, ISN'T HE? NOW, MY LITTLE ANGEL OF THE OCEANS, THE ANSWER TO YOUR PROBLEM IS SIMPLE...

... IF YOUR DREAM IS TO COME TRUE, YOU MUST BECOME A HUMAN!

CAN YOU MAKE ME INTO A HUMAN?

MY DEAR CHILD, MY LIFE IS DEDICATED TO DOING GOOD DEEDS FOR HELPLESS LITTLE MERFOLK LIKE YOURSELF!

SNAP

SOMETIMES MERFOLK COME TO ME BECAUSE THEY WANT TO BE SLIMMER, SOMETIMES MERMEN WANT TO BE HANDSOME.

... OF COURSE, THERE ARE FEES, AND WOE BETIDE THOSE WHO FORGET TO PAY! SEE, I CHANGE THEM INTO LITTLE MONSTERS FOR MY SECRET GARDEN!

NOW, HERE'S THE DEAL: I'LL CHANGE YOU INTO A HUMAN BEING FOR JUST THREE DAYS...

... BUT YOU MUST OBEY ONE IMPORTANT RULE. BEFORE THE SUN SETS ON THE THIRD DAY YOU MUST GET DEAR OLD PRINCE TO KISS YOU...

... NOT JUST ANY KISS, BUT THE KISS OF TRUE LOVE! IF YOU SUCCEED, YOU WILL REMAIN A HUMAN *FOR EVER!*

IF YOU FAIL, HOWEVER, YOU WILL BELONG TO ME AND BECOME...

... A LITTLE MONSTER IN MY GARDEN!

ARIEL! *DON'T!*

NO, ARIEL! *NO!*

IF I BECOME A HUMAN I'LL NEVER SEE PAPA OR MY SISTERS AGAIN!

BUT YOU'LL HAVE THE MAN YOU LOVE! I'M AFRAID THAT'S LIFE, MY DEAR... FULL OF TOUGH CHOICES!

BUT I ALMOST FORGOT THE SUBJECT OF PAYMENT!

... ALL I WANT FROM YOU DEARIE, IS...

... YOUR VOICE!

M-MY VOICE?

BUT IF I CAN'T SPEAK, HOW CAN I...

OH, YOU'LL STILL HAVE YOUR CHARM, AND YOUR LOVELY SMILE! BESIDES, UP THERE, MEN DON'T LIKE A GIRL WHO CHATTER!

COME ALONG, MAKE YOUR MIND UP! I DON'T HAVE ALL DAY, YOU KNOW!

ER... UMM... BUT...

SIGN HERE:

OH, NO! ARIEL!

PERFECT! HEE! HEE! HEE! NOW, LET ME HAVE YOUR VOICE! *VIBRATTO, BELATTO, MEZZO, OPERATTO* BRING HER VOICE TO ME!

NOW SING!

AH-AH-AH-AH-AH...

SING LOUDER!

... AH-AH-AH-AH...

... AH-AH-AH-AH...

HA! HA!

... AH-AH-AH-AH...

... A...

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

CLIC

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

SHE'S DROWNING!

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

PUSH, FLOUNDER, PUSH!

QUICK, FASTER! FASTER!

MEANWHILE...

THE GIRL'S VOICE, I CAN'T SEEM TO FORGET IT...

... I'VE LOOKED *EVERYWHERE*, MAX! WHERE CAN SHE BE?

ARIEL!

... LOOK! THERE'S SOMETHING DIFFERENT ABOUT YOU!

SHE'S GOT LEGS, YOU IDIOT!

HOW IS SHE GOING TO MAKE THE PRINCE FALL IN LOVE WITH HER AND KISS HER IN ONLY *THREE* DAYS!

HANG ON, ARIEL! I KNOW JUST THE THING YOU NEED!

MAX! WHAT IS IT, FELLA?

WOOF! WOOF!

THAT'S BETTER! HUMANS LIKE TO WEAR CLOTHES, YOU KNOW!

WOOF! WOOF!

MAX! OH!

I'M SORRY IF MY DOG'S BOTHERING YOU! HE'S VERY FRIENDLY!

ER, HAVEN'T WE MET SOMEWHERE BEFORE?

OH, YOU CAN'T SPEAK?

SIGH! THEN YOU COULDN'T BE WHO I THOUGHT!

WHOA! CAREFUL!

POOR THING! YOU SEEM UPSET YOU MUST HAVE HURT YOURSELF!

NEVER MIND! I'LL HELP YOU! YOU'LL SOON BE FINE!

LATER...

POOR LITTLE DEAR! FANCY BEING WASHED UP FROM A SHIPWRECK!

DON'T WORRY, MY DEAR, WE'LL SOON GET YOU BACK ON YOUR FEET AGAIN!

WELL, I'LL BE A JUMPIN' JELLYFISH!

PETIT FISH, PETIT FISH, PETIT FISH...

I SET ZEM OUT OW A DISH, ZEN YOU...

... RIP ZAIR SKIN WIZ A KNIFE, CHOP ZAIR...

CHOP

... ZAIR, VOT'S DIS?

AARGH!

U-EST CE QUE... WHERE WERE YOU? YOU BELONG IN MY STEW, OR PERHAPS IN A NICE SAUCE, WIZ WINE!

GULP!

EST SI BON! ZIS IS NICE! IN ZE SAUCE WIZ ZE SPICE!

IT IS GOOD YOU ARE DEAD! WHEN I'VE STUFFED YOU WIZ BREAD!

NEXT DOOR...

OH, ERIC, SHE'S BEAUTIFUL! DO COME IN, YOUNG LADY, YOU MUST BE DYING OF HUNGER!

HMM... A DINGLEHOPPER!

WE DON'T OFTEN HAVE SUCH A LOVELY GUEST TO DINNER, ERIC!

PUF PUF

AH, A SNAREBLATT!

EEEEE

SPLUTTER! COUGH!

WELL, YOU'VE CHEERED UP ERIC, GRIMSBY! THAT'S THE FIRST TIME I'VE SEEN HIM SMILE FOR WEEKS!

SPLUTTER! COUGH! VERY AMUSING!

HMM... ANYWAY, WHAT'S ON THE MENU TODAY, CARLOTTA?

YOU'RE GOING TO LOVE THIS: CHEF LOUIS'S DONE A SMASHING STUFFED CRAB! LOOK!

CARLOTTA'S RIGHT, ERIC! YOU SHOULD SMILE MORE...

... WHY DON'T YOU TAKE OUR YOUNG GUEST FOR A TRIP AROUND YOUR KINGDOM?

WHAT DO YOU SAY? WOULD YOU LIKE TO VISIT MY KINGDOM? WE COULD START TOMORROW!

OF COURSE SHE WOULD! NOW LET'S START DINNER BEFORE THIS CRAB WANDERS OFF MY...

CLONG

TWO DAYS GO BY, AND...

SO FAR, NOT SO GOOD, AND THERE'S NOT MUCH TIME LEFT!

WELL, GO ON AN' KISS DA GIRL!

DID YOU HEAR SOMEONE SPEAK?

YOU KNOW IT FEELS STRANGE NOT KNOWING WHAT TO CALL YOU! LET ME SEE, IS YOUR NAME, ER, MILDRED, ER, DIANA, OR...

ARIEL! HER NAME'S *ARIEL!*

I KNOW A PRETTY NAME FOR A PRETTY GIRL...

... *ARIEL!*

NOW'S YOUR CHANCE! GET ON WITH IT! GIVE HER A KISS!

WHOOPS!

YIKES!

SPLASH

HUH! HUH! HUH! HUH! HUH!

WE STOPPED THAT BIT OF NONSENSE JUST IN TIME! IF THEY GO ON LIKE THAT HE WILL HAVE KISSED HER BEFORE SUNSET FOR SURE...

... AFTER ALL I'VE DONE SHE'S NOT GOING TO FALL IN LOVE AND GET AWAY FORM ME THAT EASILY...

... THAT DAUGHTER OF TRITON IS GOING TO BE MINE, ALL *MINE!*

AND THEN WHEN SHE'S IN MY HANDS, I'LL MAKE TRITON SQUIRM AT MY MERCY, LIKE A WORM ON A FISH HOOK!

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

AHEM! I SAY, ERIC!

IF I MAY SO, THE GIRL OF YOUR DREAMS MIGHT BE JUST THE SAME! AS THAT GIRL ON THAT, AHEM, BALCONY!

YOU'RE RIGHT! ARIEL IS BEAUTIFUL! I WILL GO TO HER!

AH-AH- AH-AH...

?

... *AH-AH-AH-AH...*

IT'S THAT VOICE!

THE SAME VOICE, THE SWEETEST VOICE I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!

AH-AH- AH-AH...

ON THE THIRD MORNING...

ARIEL! WAKE UP! CONGRATU-LATIONS!

WE DID IT, ARIEL...

T... THE WHOLE KINGDOM IS SAYING THE PRINCE FELL IN LOVE YESTERDAY...

... AND I WANTED TO BE FIRST TO WISH YOU LUCK! SEE YOU AT THE WEDDING!

WEDDING? WHAT IS DIS IDIOT BABBLING ON ABOUT?

ER, ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE ALL RIGHT, ERIC? THE GIRL OF YOUR DREAMS, ER, I WOULD SAY TO BE SLIGHTLY DIFFERENT FROM THIS ONE...

BUT SHE'S BEAUTIFUL!

WE WANT TO BE MARRIED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE!

OF COURSE, OF COURSE, BUT THESE THINGS TAKE TIME TO ORGANIZE AND...

THIS AFTERNOON, GRIMSBY!

OUR HONEYMOON SHIP WILL SAIL BEFORE SUNSET!

SIGH! AS YOU WISH, YOUR HIGHNESS!

THAT AFTERNOON...

SNIFF...

I JUST DON'T BELIEVE THIS IS HAPPENING! I'VE GOT TO HAVE A LOOK AT THE BRIDGE.

MY SCHEME IS WORKING OUT...

WHAT?

... SOON I WILL RULE THE SEA...

... THAT MERMAID AND THE OCEAN'S REALM...

GASP! THE *WICKED WITCH OF THE SEAS!*

... WILL SOON BELONG TO *ME!*

HA! HA! HA!

OH, *NO!* I MUST GO AND TELL...

ARIEL!

THAT GIRL IS THE WICKED WITCH IN DISGUISE! SHE'S TRICKED THE PRINCE INTO MARRYING HER!

YOU SURE ABOUT DIS?

HAVE I BEEN WRONG?

WELL, ER, ANYWAY, NEVER ABOUT IMPORTANT THINGS!

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO?

WELL, WE HAVE 'BEFORE DA SUN SETS ON DA THIRD DAY', THAT'S *TODAY!*

ZAC

HOLD ON TO ONE OF THESE BARRELS, ARIEL!

... FLOUNDER, GET HER TO DAT BOAT AS FAST AS YOUR FINS CAN CARRY YOU.

I MUST FIND DA SEA KING. TRITON MUST KNOW ABOUT DIS!

WHAT ABOUT ME? ISN'T THERE SOMETHING I CAN DO?

THINK OF A WAY TO STALL DAT WEDDING!

ARE YOU MAD? I'D NEED AN ARMY TO DO THAT!

GRRR...

AHEM! DEARLY BELOVED...

... ER, DO YOU, ERIC, TAKE THIS, ER, WOMAN, UMM, VANESSA...

YELP!

BONK

... TO BE YOUR LAWFUL WEDDED WIFE, IN SICKNESS, ER, AND IN HEALTH, TILL DEATH DO YOU, UMM, PART?

I DO!

AND, ER, DO YOU, VANESSA, TAKE, UMM, THIS...

SQUAWK! SQUAWK!

OUARF! OUARF!

... ER, TO, UMM, LOVE...

AWK!

AARGH!

WOOF!

OUCH! LET ME GO, YOU BEASTS...

... HIS ROYAL, ER, HIGHNESS, UMM...

PHEW! PUFF! PANT!

OUARF! OUARF!

I JUST HOPE WE'RE IN TIME!

OUARF! OUARF!

OW!

OUARF!

SPLOSH

I MUST GET THAT SEA-SHELL ROUND HER NECK. IT HAS ARIEL'S VOICE IN IT!

AAARGH!

WHY, YOU DIRTY LITTLE...

URGGGGH!

AAARGGH! AARGH!

SNAP

CRASH

ARIEL?

ERIC, MY PRICE!

ARIEL! B-BUT BUT YOU SPOKE!

YOU'VE BEEN THE ONE ALL THE TIME!

GET AWAY FROM THAT GIRL, ERIC!

OH, ARIEL, IT'S YOU *I LOVE!*

YOU'RE TOO *LATE!*

OH, ERIC, I WANTED TO TELL YOU!

... THE SUN HAS SET!

HA! HA! HA! HA!
HA! HA! HA! HA!

HA! HA! HA!
HA! HA! HA!

GOODBYE, PRINCE CHARMING!

POOR LITTLE PRINCESS! BUT IT'S NOT YOU I'M AFTER. I'VE GOT A MUCH BIGGER FISH TO FRY, YOUR FATHER!

WELL, IF IT ISN'T KING TRITON! HA! HA! HA! HOW ARE YOU TODAY?

LET HER GO!

NEVER! SHE'S MINE FOR EVER! SHE AND I MADE A DEAL!

I'M SO SORRY, PAPA!

THAT'S WHAT I THINK OF YOUR CONTRACT!

ZAP

THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT! NO ONE CAN DESTROY IT, NOT EVEN SOMEONE AS POWERFUL AS YOU!

OF COURSE, THE DAUGHTER OF THE KING OF THE OCEAN IS A VALUABLE PROPERTY! BUT I'M WILLING TO SWAP HER... FOR SOMEONE BETTER!

WHERE ARE YOU GOING, ERIC?

I LOST HER ONCE, GRIMSBY, AND I AM NOT GOING TO LOSE HER AGAIN!

ALL RIGHT, ARE WE AGREED?

YOU ARE NOW MINE! HA! HA!

TRITON

HA! HA! HA! HA! HA!

NO! OH, NO, FATHER!

SOMETHING'S HAPPENING DOWN THERE!

F-FA-THER!

OH! YOUR MAJESTY!

AT LAST I HAVE THE ROYAL CROWN!

HA! HA! HA!

YOU, YOU, MONSTER!

DON'T FOOL WITH ME, YOU LITTLE BRAT!

AARGH! ARGH!

ERIC! LOOK OUT!

SAY GOODBYE TO YOUR LOVED ONE, ARIEL!

GRAAAAHH!

ZAP

MY BABIES! MY POOR LITTLE DARLINGS!

GRRR...

SRLASH

HA! HA! HA!

IDIOTS! INTERFERING, STUPID FOOLS!

YOU WON'T GET AWAY FROM ME THIS TIME!

SPLASH

I AM QUEEN OF *ALL* THE OCEANS! THE WAVES OBEY ONLY *MY* ORDERS!

AND NOW IT'S YOUR TURN, YOUNG LADY!

ZAP

SAY YOUR PRAYERS, YOU LOVESICK FOOL!

AAARGHH! ARGH!

CRAC

NOOOOOO!

POFF

POFF

POFF

LATER...

SHE REALLY DOES LOVE HIM, DOESN'T SHE, SEBASTIAN?

WELL, AS I'VE ALWAYS SAID, YOUR MAJESTY, CHILDREN TODAY HAVE GOT TO BE FREE TO LEAD DERE OWN LIVES!

YOU ALWAYS SAID THAT, DID YOU? WELL, IN THAT CASE I SUPPOSE THERE'S ONLY ONE PROBLEM LEFT.

WHICH PROBLEM IS THAT, SIRE?

SIGH! HOW I'M GOING TO MISS MY LITTLE GIRL!

GASP! MY *LEGS!* THEY'RE COMING BACK!

SNIFFLE! SUCH A LOVELY WEDDING, ISN'T IT, GRIMSBY?

CLAP

CLAP

CLAP

HAPPY HONEYMOON, SWEETHEART.

THANKS FOR EVERY-THING, YOU TWO!

KISS!

ZERE IT IS!

ZAT CRAB AGAIN!

YIKES!

ZAC

H-HELP!

GASP! THE SEA, QUICK! WHERE'S DA SEA?

PHEW! DERE'S ONLY ONE WAY I MIGHT ESCAPE THIS SEA FOOD MANIAC, IF I CAN ONLY...

... NIP THROUGH THIS ROPE!

BONK

WELL DONE, SEBASTIAN!

YEAH, YOU WERE GREAT!

HEE! HEE! THANKS, LADS!

SNIFF! ARIEL!

OH, *PAPA!*

I LOVE YOU, PAPA!

ZAP

GOODBYE, ARIEL, GOODBYE! MAY HAPPINESS BE YOURS *FOR EVER!*

AT LAST SHE BELONGS TO...

... THE WORLD OF *HER DREAMS!*

THE END