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# **SNOW WHITE and THE EIGHT DWARVES**

**(Yes...you read it correctly, it's eight...)**



**An almost traditional fairy tale**

**Written  
by  
Stewart  
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**SNOW WHITE**

**CAST LIST**

**PHOTOGRAPHER**

**QUEEN 'POISON' IVY**

**KING**

**MIRROR (Voice offstage)**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**SNOW WHITE**

**MACNAMARA**

**POSTMAN**

**CHEF**

**MAID**

**HENCHMAN 1**

**HENCHMAN 2**

**PAGES and WOODLAND CREATURES (Singers and dancers)**

***THE DWARVES:***

**HICKORY DICKORY**

**SMILER**

**GRUMBLE ('M')**

**SHYMAN ('S')**

**KIPPER ('K')**

**GESUNDHEIT ('G')**

**DOZY ('D')**

**TITCH ('T')**

**TWO SOLDIERS (non-speaking)**

***19 speaking parts, 1 voice offstage (microphoned), several singers/dancers, 2 non-speaking. (NOTE: PAGES and WOODLAND CREATURES could double up.)***

## MUSIC

***Backing tracks can be purchased and downloaded for a modest fee from various sources, as shown below. Or, you could source the original artiste recording from amongst parents/grandparents and just have the children sing along to it, as many schools do. If you cannot source them from amongst the school community, then Amazon sell very cheap downloadable MP3 tracks for hundreds of thousands of songs. These can be purchased, downloaded on to a computer and then burnt on to a CD for performance. Below we give the song title and source of backing tracks. Where it says "Traditional" or "Disney" this means there is no backing track we know of but it may be in sheet music form in your school or on a children's school music compilation CD.***

## SNOW WHITE

### SONGS

<b>Flash, Bang, Wallop (Half a Sixpence)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Isn't She Lovely (Stevie Wonder)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Poison Ivy (Billy Thorpe &amp; The Aztecs)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Killer Queen (Queen)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>It's A Sin (Pet Shop Boys)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Everybody Hurts (Helping Haiti)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>I'm Only Sleeping (The Beatles)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Dance the Night Away (The Mavericks)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Poison (Alice Cooper)</b>	<a href="http://www.Karaoke-version.co.uk">www.Karaoke-version.co.uk</a>
<b>Fix You (Coldplay)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>
<b>Love Will Keep Us Together (Captain &amp; Tenille)</b>	<a href="http://www.Ameritz.co.uk">www.Ameritz.co.uk</a>

**SNOW WHITE**

**ACT 1**

*In the throne room of the castle. The whole cast is on stage (except the WOODLAND CREATURES and DWARVES), arranged like a wedding group with the King and Queen in the middle. A photographer, complete with old fashioned tripod is about to take a picture....*

**PHOTOGRAPHER**

**Smile please, all smile. (Points at the Queen) You too, Madam, smile! (Turns to audience) She's going to be a problem, I can tell!**

**QUEEN IVY (through gritted teeth)**

**I am smiling. See this face? That's a smile!**

**PHOTOGRAPHER**

**Well, if that's the best you can do.... Oh! What a picture!**

**SONG – FLASH, BANG, WALLOP!**

*All lined up in a wedding group*

*'Ere we are for a photograph*

*We're all dressed up in a morning suit*

*All trying hard not to laugh*

*Since the early caveman in his fur*

*Took a trip to Gretna Green*

*There's always been a photographer*

*To record the 'appy scene.....*

*'Old it, flash, bang, wallop, what a picture*

*What a picture, what a photograph*

*Poor old soul, blimey, what a joke*

*Hat blown off in a cloud of smoke*

*Clap 'ands, stamp yer feet*

***Bangin' on the big bass drum  
 What a picture, what a picture  
 Um-tiddly-um-pum-um-pum-pum  
 Stick it in your fam'ly album***

## **PHOTOGRAPHER**

**Hold it! Just one more, for good luck, and don't forget to smile!**

***The same thing 'appened long ago  
 When man was in his prime  
 And what went on we only know  
 From the snaps he took at the time  
 When Adam and Eve in their birthday suit  
 Decided to get wed  
 As Adam was about to taste the fruit  
 The man with the cam'ra said.....***

***'Old it, flash, bang, wallop, what a picture  
 What a picture, what a photograph  
 Poor old Eve, there with nothing on  
 Face all red and 'er fig leaf gone  
 Clap 'ands, stamp yer feet  
 Bangin' on the big bass drum, W-e-e-a-ay!  
 What a picture, what a picture  
 Um-tiddly-um-pum-um-pum-pum  
 Stick it in your fam'ly album***

***You've read it in a folio***

***Or seen it in a Shakespeare play  
 How Juliet fell for Romeo  
 In the merry month of May  
 And as 'e climbed the orchard wall  
 To reach 'is lady fair  
 As he tumbled, she began to bawl  
 As he floated through the air.....***

***'Old it, flash, bang, wallop, what a picture  
 What a picture, what a photograph  
 Poor young chap, what a night 'e spent  
 Tights all torn and 'is rapier bent  
 Clap 'ands, stamp yer feet  
 Bangin' on the big bass drum, W-e-e-a-ay!  
 What a picture, what a picture  
 Um-tiddly-um-pum-um-pum-pum  
 Stick it in your fam'ly album***

***Clap 'ands, stamp yer feet, Ye-e-a-y!  
 Bangin' on the big bass drum  
 What a picture, what a picture  
 Um-tiddly-um-pum-um-pum-pum  
 Stick it in your fam'ly album***

***Stick it in your fam'ly  
 Stick it in your fam'ly  
 Stick it in your fam'ly..album!***

**PHOTOGRAPHER** (*taking down his tripod and camera*)

Thank you all very much. I'll have the proofs ready in about a week.  
Bye!

**QUEEN IVY**

I just don't see the point of all this.

**KING**

You don't see the point? A record of our marriage?

**QUEEN IVY**

And what was all that about smiling? I smile all the time, why can't anyone tell when I'm smiling?

**KING**

It's not always easy, dear. It's something to do with the look on your face. But I've come up with a solution. I've just appointed a Court Jester, to lighten our darker moments with mirth and merriment.

**QUEEN IVY**

Mirth and merriment? Count me out. Come on, we've things to do. Dismiss everyone, or they'll be here all day. They've got work to do.

**(VOICE OFFSTAGE)**

Go on! You've got to go and meet everyone!

*(Enter CHESTER THE JESTER, stumbling as though he has been pushed)*

**CHESTER THE JESTER** (*Looking around, first at cast, and then at audience*)

I don't really want to be here. I've just started today in my new job in the castle. Mr MACNAMARA interviewed me (*MACNAMARA raises his hand in acknowledgement*), and I must have been the only one who applied, as I got the job.

**MACNAMARA**

Welcome to the Palace, Chester. Allow me to introduce Chester the Jester!

## **CHESTER THE JESTER**

**I don't know anything about jesting. Mr Macnamara is the butler, and apart from him, I've only met one of the kitchen maids, Snow White. She is beautiful, don't you think? And to help me relax a bit, and give me some time to think, we're all going to sing a song for Snow White.**

### **SONG – ISN'T SHE LOVELY? (PAGES join in)**

*Isn't she lovely  
Isn't she wonderful  
Isn't she precious  
Less than one minute old  
I never thought through love we'd be  
Making one as lovely as she  
But isn't she lovely made from love*

*Isn't she pretty  
Truly the angel's best  
Boy, I'm so happy  
We have been heaven blessed  
I can't believe what God has done  
through us he's given life to one  
But isn't she lovely made from love*

*Isn't she lovely  
Life and love are the same  
Life is Aisha  
The meaning of her name  
Londie, it could have not been done  
Without you who conceived the one  
That's so very lovely made from love*

## **QUEEN IVY**

**I think I'm going to be sick! (*Runs off, holding her mouth*)**

**(*Everyone leaves except SNOW WHITE and CHESTER the JESTER on stage.*)**

## **SNOW WHITE**

**That was so kind. But I don't really know your name.**

## **CHESTER THE JESTER**

**It's Chester. But I suppose everyone will call me Chester the Jester, because that's who I am now. I'm not sure about this.**



**SNOW WHITE**

**About what?**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**My job description says I have to make people laugh. Jokes on demand, any time, any day, any place. A bit of juggling, perhaps some magic or sleight of hand, some acrobatics now and then, but mostly jokes. I'm not very good at remembering jokes.**

**SNOW WHITE**

**Humour isn't just about jokes. There's usually something funny in most situations. You just need to draw attention to it, and people will laugh. If you're observant, and a good people watcher, you'll see funny things everywhere.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**You make it sound easy. You're just trying to make me feel better, because I'm new.**

**SNOW WHITE**

**You're not the only new one round here. I've got a new stepmother, and she's horrible to me. She doesn't like me one bit, I can tell.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**Was that her in the group photograph?**

**SNOW WHITE**

**Yes.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**No offence, but she looks a right misery to me.**

**SNOW WHITE**

**She's mean and spiteful. She hates me.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**Tell your dad, then. Explain to him. He'll understand and try to help.**

**SNOW WHITE**

**It's not easy, because my dad is the King.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**The King? That makes you a ....**

**SNOW WHITE**

**A princess. Yes, I know. It can be quite a burden sometimes.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**But you should have said. You don't look like a princess. I would have curtsayed, or something.**

**SNOW WHITE *(laughs)***

**You see, you've made me laugh, and I'm having a miserable time because of my stepmother.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**And if she's married your dad, I mean, the King, then she's now the Queen?**

**SNOW WHITE**

**Yes. And the power has gone to her head. Her role in life seems to make my life as hard as possible. She makes me dress like a maid. That's why you didn't recognise me as a princess. I really think the Queen would like to be rid of me for good.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**You think she'll send you away from the Palace?**

**SNOW WHITE**

**I don't know. Possibly.**

**CHESTER THE JESTER**

**That's terrible! Can't you talk to someone? Who else do you trust?**

**SNOW WHITE**

**Only Macnamara. He's the butler and he's always been very kind to me. I don't know what I'd do without Macnamara.**

***(Rings bell – there is a running gag throughout, that when the bell cord is pulled, there is a different sound. Bells, buzzers, Big Ben, sirens, cockerel crowing etc. Enter MACNAMARA, carrying a tray. It is clear that everything on the tray is glued in position as MACNAMARA twists and rotates the tray flamboyantly)***