

CYCLOPS WITCH AND THE HEEBIE JEEBIES

WEDNESDAY Page to Stage

Characters:

Cyclops Witch and Raven

VELLA: Cyclops Witch (*A brave witch who is only afraid of one thing*)

IZZY: Lenore the Raven (*A dedicated friend of the Cyclops Witch*)

The Heebie Jeebies

HEDDA: Latasha (*The leader of the group*)

MIA: Maria (*Caring, helpful, and a bit dramatic*)

ISABELLA: Georgina (*Proud to be the second oldest member of the group*)

MARCHESSA: Hildy (*Excited to be the spokesperson of the team*)

The Cryptids

CLANCY: Hobgoblin (*A fun friend who is afraid of fire and a little shy*)

CLARKE: Vampire (*A very old neighbor afraid of exercise*)

ELLIE: Mothgirl (*A nocturnal creature afraid of the dark*)

ADDY: Leprechaun (*a gold loving singer with horrible stage fright!!*)

CHARLIE: Winged Monkey (*A playful monkey terrified of water*)

AVERY: Pumpkin Head (*A father of a teenager he has trouble connecting with*)

SCENE 1: The Brave Cyclops Witch

Narration: In all of Hazy Dell, no one was braver than The Cyclops Witch. Nearly nothing at all could scare her.

CYCLOPS WITCH

Ha ha! I am the bravest of them all!

Narration: Quoth the Raven, Lenore:

LENORE

Yes, yes, I know. The bravest.

CYCLOPS WITCH

And I will prove it to you! I will steal the Leprechaun's gold!

LENORE

That sounds like a great idea.

CYCLOPS WITCH

And I'm gonna duel the Pumpkinhead with a marshmallow!

LENORE

Is that really necessary?

CYCLOPS WITCH

And I will outrun that Winged Monkey!

LENORE

Okay, that I do want to see.

SCENE 2: The Heebie Jeebies

Narration: Elsewhere in Hazy Dell, a meeting was just beginning.

(Latasha brings the meeting to order. The other Heebie Jeebies stand at attention.)

LATASHA

Attention all Heebie Jeebies! Who are we?

HEEBIE JEEBIES

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GEORGINA

Who's on our list to help? Maria, why don't you go first.

MARIA

The Hobgoblin is scared of fire. He totally freaked out at the bonfire.

GEORGINA

Any ideas for how we can help him?

HILDY

We could bring marshmallows to roast on a fire! And keep a water bucket nearby for added safety.

HEEBIE JEEBIES

Great idea!

LATASHA

Georgina, who else needs our help?

GEORGINA

Vampire is afraid of exercise. She has nightmares about tripping on her cloak.

MARIA

What could we do?

GEORGINA

We could make working out fun by bringing hula hoops!

HEEBIE JEEBIES

Yeah!

LATASHA

Hildy?

HILDY

Mothgirl is a moth but she's scared of night. Like, really, super scared.

MARIA

We could bring her lanterns and teddy bears and stargaze with her outside!

HILDY

Perfect! What have you found out, Latasha?

LATASHA

The Cyclops Witch is only afraid of one thing.

HILDY

What is she afraid of?

LATASHA

Children.

MARIA

Ooooh nooooo.

SCENE 3: The Cryptids

Narrator: And for the other Cryptid residents of Hazy Dell, it was another challenging night.

(Pumpkin Head enters, struggling to text.)

PUMPKIN HEAD

(texting)

My. daughter. Is. out. With. Her. Friends. At. Karaoke. Do. you. All. want. To. come. Over?

WINGED MONKEY

(also texting)

You sent that just to me. Do you want me to send that to the group?

PUMPKIN HEAD

(texting)

Yes. Sorry. Very. Embarrassing. Imagine. Me. Sending. The Appropriate. Emoji. Please.

(The Winged Monkey nods while sending another text. The other Cryptids begin entering.)

LEPRECHAUN

Hey everyone! What are we all doing tonight? Want to have a bonfire?

HOBGOBLIN

No, thank you!

LEPRECHAUN

What do you suggest then, Hobgoblin?

HOBGOBLIN

How about we do my new fun workout routine?

VAMPIRE

Oh, I would really prefer not to do that.

HOBGOBLIN

Well then, what do you want to do, Vampire?

VAMPIRE

Why don't we wait until it gets dark outside? Then we can look for fireflies and try to catch them!

MOTHGIRL

I really need to be home by dark.

VAMPIRE

Any ideas then, Mothgirl?

MOTHGIRL

Maybe we could do karaoke? The new place by the river is lovely.

LEPRECHAUN

That is absolutely NOT happening!

PUMPKIN HEAD

Yeah, anything but that.

(The Cyclops Witch enters with a pot of gold and an embarrassed Lenore flying behind her.)

HOBGOBLIN

Hey Leprechaun, isn't that your gold?

MOTHGIRL

Give it back, Cyclops Witch!

VAMPIRE

Is she coming here to prove she's not afraid of anything? Again?

PUMPKIN HEAD

You're being so rude right now. I challenge you to a duel!

WINGED MONKEY

Here we go again.

(The Cyclops Witch and Pumpkin head duel with large forks. The Cyclops Witch's fork knocks the Pumpkin Head's fork out of his hand. The Cryptids make disappointed sounds.)

MOTHGIRL

It's ok, Pumpkin Head. You did your best.

LEPRECHAUN

We can't let her get away with this! She has my gold!

WINGED MONKEY

Don't worry, I'll catch her!

(The Cyclops Witch runs around and then off as the Winged Monkey chases her. The Winged Monkey stops suddenly.)

WINGED MONKEY

Nope, nope. Not crossing the river.

SCENE 4: Cyclops Witch's House

Narrator: After bravely defeating Leprechaun, Pumpkin Head, and Winged Monkey, the Cyclops Witch settled in for some evening tea.

(The Cyclops Witch and Lenore sip tea. The Heebie Jeebies approach their front door.)

LATASHA

Alright, are we ready? We are going to have to look as friendly as possible. Big smiles everyone.

(The Heebie Jeebies smile gigantic smiles.)

HEEBIE JEBBIES

Does this look alright?

MARIA

(taking a deep breath) Here we go.

HILDY

Keep smiling until she screams. Then we'll apologize.

(The Heebie Jeebies knock on the Cyclops Witch's door. The Cyclops Witch freezes in fear.)

CYCLOPS WITCH

What was that?

LENORE

It's probably a friend. Let's be friendly.

(The Cyclops Witch peaks outside.)

HEEBIE JEBBIES

We are the -

CYCLOPS WITCH

Aaaaah!

(Everytime the Cyclops Witch peaks out, the Heebie Jeebies restart their introduction but each time the Cyclops Witch retreats and yells. After a few times, she runs out of her house and Lenore follows.)

GEORGINA

Okay, well, who's next on the list?

SCENE 5: Fireside

Narrator: Meanwhile, the Cryptids still couldn't agree on what to do with their evening.

LEPRECHAUN

Look, I'm the one who got my gold stolen, so I get to choose. I think we should have a bonfire.

PUMPKIN HEAD

I agree with Leprechaun. I love how cozy fires are.

MOTHGIRL

That sounds like a great idea! I love having a bonfire in the *daylight*.

WINGED MONKEY

I'll get it started for us.

PUMPKINHEAD

Hobgoblin, are you okay over there?

LEPRECHAUN

Maybe he's tired.

(The Heebie Jeebies enter.)

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MARIA

It's okay, Hobgoblin. I know fire is scary, but we're here to help.

HOBGOBLIN

Suuuuuuure.

MARIA

Let's all have a fun and safe fire together so you can see it'll be okay.

HILDY

We brought you a bucket of water to put the fire out.

GEORGINA

We have marshmallows too! I'm bringing the fun!

LATASHA

Gather around everybody.

(The Cryptids build the fire while the Heebie Jeebies help Hobgoblin set up the marshmallows. They all begin to roast marshmallows and laugh around the bonfire.)

VAMPIRE

Why don't we sing a campfire song?

LEPRECHAUN

Nope, not gonna happen. Let's have a puppet show.

(The Cyclops Witch and Lenore watch them from afar.)

MARIA

Hobgoblin, are you still scared?

HOBGOBLIN

A little bit. But I like having friends around.

LATASHA

Heebie Jeebie win! Oh yeah!

LENORE

Come on, they look friendly, what's the worst that could happen?

CYCLOPS WITCH

The kids will drool and be gross everywhere! Just watch!

SCENE 6: Exercise

Narration: The next morning, the Cryptids gathered together again. Hobgoblin was a changed monster!

HOBGOBLIN

That was amazing yesterday, everyone! Today can we try out my new workout routine?

VAMPIRE

No, no! That sounds like... exercise.

PUMPKIN HEAD

I think it'll be fun!

(The Heebie Jeebies enter again.)

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GEORGINA

Okay Vampire, I know you're scared, but we're gonna make this awesome.

VAMPIRE

It's just that when I was 10, I tripped on my cloak going down the stairs and I broke my arm.

HILDY

Don't think about that now!

WINGED MONKEY

Yeah, Hobgoblin's exercise sounds exciting!

MOTHGIRL

Will you show us Hobgoblin?

WINGED MONKEY

I love hula hooping!

MOTHGIRL

I love the music!

HILDY

And we could do this anywhere. Even on the playground!

LEPRECHAUN

Do you like it, Vampire?

VAMPIRE

This is as fun as when I soar above the clouds with the wind at my command!

LENORE

This looks so fun. Let's give it a try!

CYCLOPS WITCH

You can. I will not!

SCENE 7: Stargazing

Narration: The Cryptids and the Heebie Jeebies enjoyed the Hobgoblin's exercise routine until the sun began to set.

MOTHGIRL

It is starting to get dark. I need to go home.

WINGED MONKEY

Oh, but Mothgirl, we're having fun.

PUMPKIN HEAD

Yeah, you should stay out with us!

HOBGOBLIN

We could have another bonfire!

VAMPIRE

And work out a little more!

HOBGOBLIN

Mothgirl, can you please stay?

MOTHGIRL

I can't... because... I...

(The Heebie Jeebies all step forward.)

HILDY

I know you're afraid of the dark, Mothgirl. But nothing will happen. It won't be a nightmare because...

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LEPRECHAUN

Are you going to do that every time?

HILDY

We brought you some things to help you feel safe in the dark.

(The Heebie Jeebies set up a blanket on the ground with flashlights and teddy bears as the lights get lower. Everyone gathers and stargazes together, pointing at the stars and laughing.)

LENORE

Please please please can we go with them?

CYCLOPS WITCH

Absolutely not, I am going home!

SCENE 8: The Witch Overcomes Her Fears

Narration: So the Cyclops Witch went home, back to her tea.

(The Cyclops Witch and Lenore sip tea again. The Heebie Jeebies knock on the door and Lenore lets them in.)

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CYCLOPS WITCH

Aaaah!

LATASHA

We have come to you, Cyclops Witch.

CYCLOPS WITCH

Aaaah!

LATASHA

Your friend Lenore asked us to come help you with your fear of children.

CYCLOPS WITCH

Lenore? You... you did?

LENORE

I did.

MARIA

Once you get to know us I think you'll find we aren't scary.

GEORGINA

We like doing a lot of the same things.

HILDY

Like drinking tea.

GEORGINA

We're sorry you're afraid of us, but could we please have tea with you?

(Cyclops Witch nods timidly. The Heebie Jeebies sit down for tea and, eventually, the Cyclops Witch relaxes with them.)

LENORE

Maybe you can teach us how to be Heebie Jeebies and help others overcome their fears.

HEEBIE JEBBIES

Yes! Let's go!

SCENE 9: Everyone Overcomes Their Fears

Narration: The Heebie Jeebies led Lenore and the Cyclops Witch into the forest to help others face the things they found scary.

CYCLOPS WITCH

I noticed you wouldn't chase me across the river. Are you afraid of water?

WINGED MONKEY

I'm very afraid of the water. I once went swimming and hit myself on a rock!

GEORGINA

Let's all swim together- safely!

(Maria hands the Winged Monkey floaties. The other Cryptids arrive to swim, splash, and laugh.)

HOBGOBLIN

This is so fun!

WINGED MONKEY

It actually is so much fun! I never would have known.

MOTHGIRL

Hey guys, I have a great idea for how to end this fun day. We could do karaoke!

LEPRECHAUN

I'd rather not.

MARIA

Leprechaun, are you afraid of singing?

LATASHA

We can help!

LEPRECHAUN

You can? But how?

(Georgina hands Leprechaun a microphone.)

MARIA

We think you're great no matter what.

(Everyone nods encouragingly. Leprechaun sings a little bit into the microphone, and everyone cheers. She tries it a bit louder and everyone cheers again!)

VAMPIRE

Your daughter likes karaoke, right? You should invite her.

PUMPKIN HEAD

I'm too afraid to text her. I once used...the skull emoji!

VAMPIRE

That was one time. It only matters if you did it a hundred times. You can do it!

PUMPKIN HEAD

Okay. *(texting)* Do. you. Want. to come. To. karaoke. By. river? Water emoji. Microphone emoji. Music note.

ALL EXCEPT PUMPKIN HEAD

You did it!

SCENE 10: The Ceremony

Narration: Several days later, the Cyclops Witch got another knock on her door. Only this time, she wasn't afraid.

Lenore and Cyclops Witch sip tea. There is a knock on the door and they both jump to their feet.

CYCLOPS WITCH AND LENORE

Come on in!

The Cryptids and the Heebie Jeebies enter.

LEPRECHAUN

(singing) We're heeeeeere.

HOBGOBLIN

Oooh great house! I love the fireplace.

WINGED MONKEY

Sorry if I'm wet, I swam here.

PUMPKIN HEAD

I invited my daughter. She's busy but she says hi.

MOTH MAN

What a beautiful night out there!

LATASHA

Gather around everyone.

VAMPIRE

Sorry - am I late? I ran an extra lap on the way here.

MARIA

Just on time! Come on in!

HILDY

We are here to celebrate all of you. You have overcome your fears and you helped others too.

GEORGINA

Because of all your hard work in helping each other, we are proud to announce that each one of you is officially a member-

HEEBIE JEEBIES

Of the Hebbie Jeebies!

Everyone cheers.

LENORE

(looking at the Cyclops Witch) I'm so proud of you!

CYCLOPS WITCH

I'm so much happier without fear in my heart. *(to the Heebie Jeebies)* Nearly missing your friendship was the scariest part!

Narration: And with all of her new friends, the Cyclops Witch celebrated! The End.