

# THE MYSTERIOUS KEY

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Characters in order of appearance

- 1- JANE (or George)
- 2- JOHNNY (or Jenny)
- 3- MOTHER (or Father)
- 4- THUNDER ELF
- 5- LIGHT FAIRY
- 6- WATER FAIRY (or Water Elf)
- 7- QUEEN OF FAIRIES (or King of the Goblins)
- 8- AIR FAIRY (or Air Elf)
- 9- LIGHTNING ELF (or Lightning Fairy)

As a backdrop, a painted wood (or projected from behind), or potted green plants.

In the background, in the center of the stage, a rock - made with a couple of stools covered with a grey fabric and a hole with a drawn lock.

At the bottom left, closing the corner, a curtain painted like a forest.

When the curtain is open, behind we can see party garlands and a carpet. In the background, the throne of the Queen (can be a low stool, covered with a shiny fabric).

## **SCENE 1**

Jane running from the right, goes to hide behind the rock. Then she goes back and sees something on the floor. She grabs a big key and she looks at it from all sides.

**JOHNNY** : — *(off)* **Jaaane!**

Jane puts the key in her pocket and she hides again behind the rock. Johnny goes in.

**JOHNNY** : — *(looking around to see Jane)* **Jane, come here, mum is coming!**

**MOTHER** : — *(off)* **Jaaane! Johnnyyy! Where are you?**

Jane goes out shouting at Johnny.

**JANE** : — **Uh!**

**JOHNNY** : — *(mocking)* **Oh, how scary!**

Mum enters from the right.

**MOTHER** : —**But what are you doing here? I do not want you to leave the garden, you know that!**

**JOHNNY** : — **We were playing hide and seek.**

**JANE** : — **We know all the places where we can hide in the garden!**

**MOTHER** : — **The forest is dangerous because you can get lost. Let's go home.**

The two children look down and go to the right followed by their mother.

**MOTHER** : — *(leaving)* **I am going shopping to the town. Do you want to come?**

**JANE** : — *(off)* **No I don't, Mum.**

**JOHNNY** : — *(off)* **No, me neither.**

## **SCENE 2**

After a silence, Johnny and Jane are back with a key in their hand.

**JOHNNY** : — **We shouldn't go far...mum is coming back soon!**

**JANE** : — **I just want to see if there is something else.**

**JOHNNY** : — **Where was the key?**

**JANE** : — **Here on the ground.** *(Indicating where the key was)*

Both look around.

**JOHNNY** : — **Look! The rock has a hole!**

**JANE** : — **Oooh, it's a lock!**

**JOHNNY** : — **Let's try the key!**

**JANE** : — **You think it will open?** *(pretending turning the key in the lock)*

The lights go on and off rapidly several times, while the Thunder elf opens the curtain. Then the light turns into honey colour.

**JOHNNY** : — *(amazed)* **Asparagus and artichokes!**

**THUNDER ELF** : — *(amazed)* **How do you know the password?**

**JANE** : — Well... Johnny always says "asparagus and artichokes!"

**GOBLIN OF THUNDER** : — (*scandalized*) And this key? Where have you found it?

**JOHNNY** : — Gina has found it on the floor.

**THUNDER ELF** : — (*puts his hands on his head*) What a disaster!

### **SCENE 3**

From the left Fairy Queen is coming followed by Fairies and goblins.

**QUEEN** : — How have these children come to our land?

**JANE** : — we have found the key. (*Showing*)

**JOHNNY** : —Yes, it was next to the rock.

The Thunder Elf inclines.

**THUNDER ELF** : — It is terrible majesty. And today is the day of the party!

**QUEEN** : — Can someone tell me who has lost the key?

**FAIRY WATER** : — (*coming at the front*) Me, ma'am.

**FAIRY LIGHT** : — (*coming at the front*) No, Majesty it was me.

**QUEEN** : — Who has it been?

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