How Jack overcame the Dragon

(Jester in front of the curtain)

Jester: Hello, children, a fairy tale is just waiting for you! And what is that story will be about? Well, how Jack overcame the Dragon. Attention, we are starting...

ACT ONE: (a court, Jester on stage, a grey backdrop, a tree or a bush)

Jester: His Majesty gives a note that his daughter, Princess Julia is looking for a bridegroom who must, however, fulfil three tasks, that the Princess will determine herself. When he fulfils all of these tasks, he will get the Princess as his wife, become the King, and get a half of the Kingdom!

Jester: This announcement came to the Kingdom, which is far behind the mountains where the noble Prince Maxmilian resides. (leaves)

Prince: (enters) So I've learned that Princess Julie seeks a bridegroom. I'll go to bid for her hand, then and I'll fulfil those three tasks, and a half of the Kingdom with the beautiful Princess will be mine ...

<u>ACT TWO</u>: (a royal chamber, a grey backdrop and a royal throne, Jester and the Princess onstage)

Jester: Your Majesty, Prince Maximilian has just come to bid for your hand.

Princess: Let him come in, then.

Prince: (comes) Beautiful afternoon graceful princess, Prince Maximilian is my name, I'm coming from a far kingdom to fulfil your tasks, and you to become my wife.

Princess: Well, then, but it won't be easy, first you need to fulfil these three tasks, but attention, they are not easy. Ten first: You must cheer me up, because I'm very sad. The second: It is a riddle. And the third, we will check on, if you guessed correctly, and if you're brave. You have to overcome a dreadful Dragon.

Prince: That won't be diffucult for me! Let's start with the first task.

Jester: Cheer up our Princess!

Prince: So, I will tell you a joke! There was a joke walking, stumbled over another joke and the joke was over! (the Princess laughs a lot)

Princess: Excellent and now the second task. Its a riddle: How do you overcome the Dragon?

Prince: I'll give him a poison and it will die, that's all.

Jester: Well, let's try! (Leave the scene together)

<u>ACT THREE</u>: (They walk in the forest straight to the Dragon.) – green backdrop, trees, bush) Prince, Jester and Princess enter the scene.

Jester: We will wait here and you, Prince, will certainly cope with the Dragon.

Prince: So, here is the poison powder, the dragon will just breathe it in and it will die. I will disperse it and run away quickly! (disperses poison) Sooo and quickly away! (Prince runs back to Princess and Jester)

Princess: Is it already dead?

Prince: Of course, it will never wake up again.

Jester:Let's see, then! (goes there and quickly runs out as well as the Dragon)

Dragon: (snorts and shouts) Who dared to disturb me from my sleep (runs towards Jester and Prince)

Jester: Iiiiiit's alive! Heeeelp! (all of them run away)

(Dragon snorts and crawls away.)

<u>ACT FOUR</u>: (a royal chamber, a grey backdrop and a royal throne) (Jester comes, the Princess and behind them the Prince)

Princess: I'm sorry but you didn't fulfil the task.

Jester: Thank you for your effort, we appreciate it, but confess, you failed.

Prince: It's strange, how would that failed?!! (he is offended by it and walks away)

Jester: Princess Julia, a young man came and says he knows how to kill the Dragon.

Princess: Let him in and let him fulfil the first task, then. (Jack comes) (Princess starts laughing a lot.)

Princess: Do you think he will kill the Dragon?

Jester: Your Majesty, he's just fulfilled the first task, you're laughing!

Jack: So when I fulfilled the first task, what's the second one, then?

Princess: I don't believe, you will succeed, but I will give you a chance. The second task is a riddle and it's: How will you overcome the Dragon?

Jack: (thinks) Mmm, what about buns with snuff?

Jester: Let's try it!

Princess: Let's go, then!

ACT FIVE: (They walk in the wood towards the Dragon.)

Jester: Me and Princess will wait here. The rest is up to you, Jack. (Jack comes to the Dragon, the Dragon looks out of the bush)

Jack: Here you have some buns, Dragon, to get on well with each other.

Dragon: You are, Jack, a different fellow. Aren't you afraid of me?

Jack: Have some buns and keep your mouth shut. (Dragon eats the buns and hides with growling and howling behind the bush)

Jester: So, is it dead yet?

Princess: Definetely not!

Jack: Go to convince yourselves! (They go to the tree and peek at the dragon.)

Princess: It doesn't move at all. It is dead! Jack is a hero, he overcame the Dragoooon!

Jester: Really, the Dragon doesn't live! Long live Jack, the King!

Princess: Long live to my Jack!

Jester: And there was a big wedding. Jack became the King and got a half of the Kingdom and Princess Julia as well. They will live together ever after unless they won't divorce.

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