

# **The Heartstone**

## **Cast and Crew List**

Hedgiya: Lyla

Hedge: Keerthana

Hedgiye: Mansha

President: Olivia

Principal: Siyona

Teacher: Aniya

Sky: Aniya

Harriet: Tanvi

Rainbow: Olivia

Moonshine: Siyona

Sunny: Claire

Great Snake: Shree

Hedge/Witchog the first: Divisha

Director: Angela

Props: Keerthana

Set: Mira

# The Heartstone-Script-By #13 Zhixing Lu

**(Transition: Everyone runs randomly around the stage, humming ‘Ms. Coberly’s 67 Hedgehogs’ and slowing at the end of the chorus as they exit.)**

## Prologue

**(Dark, no scene. Hedge is center stage with the table with milk right next to her)**

Hedge: **(Organizing papers)** What a beautiful day! **(She drinks some milk with the Great Snake’s brain)** Oh no! That milk had the evil Great Snake’s brain in it! I will be possessed by her! **(She faints, then wakes up) (robotically)** Now I am possessed by the Great Snake! **(regularly)** Mwa ha ha ha ha! I will steal the sacred heartstone! **(She steals the Heartstone and puts it in her pocket)**

## Scene 1: Intro

**(Scene change to “Great Hall”. President is standing at stage right. At upstage center there is a table piled with food including pies. Three chairs are set up at stage left.)**

President: May I present.....the three sisters! **(Hedgiya, Hedga, and Hedgiye enter wearing almost-identical clothing. They sit on the chairs.)**

President: I have heard that the Heartstone has been stolen from Sky, the leader of the Spirithogs. **(Sisters gasp)** These three hedgehogs will fight for it. **(Cheering from offstage. Sisters look confused and worried)** Now let the feast begin! **(The sisters smile. They eat. And eat. There is a plate of pies on the table)**

Hedgiya: **(To Hedgiye)** You are eating all of the pies!

Hedgiye: I am 18 and can do whatever I want!

Hedgiya: I knew it. Yesterday you said that adults can’t be creative.

Hedga: I agree with Hedgiye. I think she should be our leader.

Hedgiya: You think 14-year-olds are not responsible?!!

Hedga: Actually **(as if going to change mind)** ....yes!

Hedgiya: **(crossing arms)** I am going to prove you wrong.

Hedgiye: You are just like your silly brother Hedgeous!

Hedga: Even though he is 19!

Hedgiye: He thinks he is going to be president!

Older Sisters: Ha ha ha ha haaaa! **(They exit, still laughing. Hedgiya follows them, her head hanging down.)**

## Scene 2: Night/Morning

**(Scene change to “Clouds at Night”. Moonshine is upstage. Sunny is at stage right with a very depressed-looking Sky. Harriet and Rainbow are bustling around busily. The three sisters are sleeping at center stage)**

Moonshine: **(from upstage)** Sunny! You’re the day hedgehog! You’re supposed to be asleep! **(Sunny hums ‘song name’ while playing the flute.)**

Sunny: I guess it’s not your responsibility as the night hedgehog, but I need to cheer Sky up! She lost her heartstone!

Moonshine: Harriet will assign Hedgiya to find it.

Harriet: **(to Moonshine)** Moonshine, tell Sunny that night will be over soon.

Moonshine: **(yelling downstage)** Sunny, night will be over soon! **(Harriet smacks her hand to her forehead.)**

Sunny: **(without looking up)** Which means you will go to bed soon. **(Sunny, Sky and Moonshine exit stage left)**

**(Scene change to “Clouds at Day”. Hedgiye and Hedgiya wake up. Harriet and Rainbow are leaning over them.)**

Hedgiya: Where am I? What have I done?

Hedgiye: (Not looking around) You are at home, obviously, and-

Rainbow: **(interrupting her)** And you are going to recover the Heartstone!

Hedgiye: **(Finally looking around.)** Aaaah! **(She runs offstage stage left)**

Hedgiya: Who are you?

Rainbow: I am Rainbow, the rainbow spirithog and messenger of the Spirithogs. Here are my friends. **(Sunny and Moonshine enter stage left)**

Sunny: Hi!

Moonshine: We are...

Sunny: Sunny, the sun...

Moonshine: and Moonshine, the moon...

Both: ...spirithogs!

Rainbow: They are like twins!

Hedga: **(Waking up a little, suspicious)** What is going on?

Hedgiya: Nothing. **(Hedga goes back to bed, everyone shrugs except her)**

### Scene 3: School

**(Scene change to “Regular School (Classroom)” . There are 5 stools on stage right. A chair is at a desk on stage left. Divisha and Claire, along with the three sisters, enter as students, and the Teacher enters with a stack of blank lined paper. She sits at her desk and the students each use a stool as a desk and sit on the floor.)**

Teacher: We are taking a test on algebra. Now, I will pass them out. **(She passes the ‘tests’ out. Within 2 minutes, Hedgiya is finished. She walks over and gives her ‘test’ to the teacher. Transition happens but the stage stays the same. During transition, all actors continuously say, ‘The Next Day’.)**

Intercom (Principal from offstage): Please send Hedgiya Coberlyhog to the office. (Hedgiya exits stage right.)

Divisha as student: I bet she cheated on the test!

Claire as student: Yeah, how else could she have finished so fast?

**(Scene change to “Regular School (P’s Office)” during transition. Principal is standing stage left at her desk and Hedgiya is seated on one of the stools on stage right.)**

Principal: Hedgiya, you cheated on your test!

Hedgiya: (surprised) I did not! There’s no evidence.

Principal: No other 9<sup>th</sup> graders in the classroom got a perfect score-in just two minutes!

Hedgiya: That does not mean I cheated.

Principal: I will go search the classroom for evidence. **(She exits stage right and re-enters a few seconds later.)**

Principal: You were right. There was no evidence. You may be excused. **(Scene change to “Recess” during transition. No one is onstage.)**

Intercom: Recess time! **(First, Hedgiya and Rainbow walk onstage from stage left to center stage. Next, the hedgehog sisters run onstage from stage right, up to them.)**

Hedgiye: I knew it. Hedgiya, you always cheat.

Hedga: That is why you always get super-high scores. **(They laugh)**

Rainbow: Can you please leave us alone for a minute? **(The sisters roll their eyes and walk offstage stage right.)**

Hedgiya: Where is the Heartstone?

Rainbow: Harriet found it. It is in the Great Snake's cave.

Hedgiya: Who is the Great Snake?

Rainbow: It is an evil spirit that controlled Hedge, making her steal the Heartstone. Come, let me show you something. **(She leads Hedgiya offstage stage right. Scene changes to "Fighting School". Hedgiya and Rainbow re-enter stage right, followed by Hedga and Hedgiye. The Teacher enters from stage left with three wooden swords. At center stage, there is a practice dummy. Off to stage left, there are three cards saying 25m, 50m, and 100m set up on the floor)**

Rainbow: This is the Fighting School.

Hedgiya: Am I going to go there?

Rainbow: That is your new school.

#### Scene 4: Fighting School

Teacher: Welcome, students. Today we will learn about fighting. I will give each of you a wooden sword to practice with. **(She passes out the swords. Hedgiye steals Hedgiya's sword)**

Hedgiye: I am going to fight for you.

Hedgiya: Hedgiye! I can fight for myself.

Hedga: You can't, Hedgiya. You are only 14.

Teacher: Everyone, Hedgiye is setting a good example of helpfulness!

Hedgiya: I will prove myself to you. **(She knocks the practice dummy down with one hit of her hand)**

Teacher: We will then learn about swimming.

Hedgiya: I am finally going to a regular pool!

Hedga: No. You are not going to a kiddie pool.

Hedgiya: I said regular, like 25-yard.

Hedga: A regular pool for you is a kiddie pool.

Hedgiya: What are you saying? I can swim a 100 backstroke.

Hedgiye: You can swim a 1 backstroke. **(The older sisters laugh.)**

Teacher: Let's swim! **(Everyone jumps into the water. After a minute or two of swimming with Hedgiya doing the best out of the students, they get out of the water.)**

Teacher: Your arms should be in a streamline position. When you swim towards the surface, use dolphin kicks. 14-year-olds, swim a 25. 16-year-olds, swim a 50. 18-year-olds, swim a 100. **(Hedgiya goes into the lane with the card that says 100 and swims it.)**

Teacher: Hedgiya, you were supposed to swim a 25!

Hedgiya: I can swim a 100, not to brag.

Hedgiye: Stop bragging!

Teacher: That's it for class today, students. See you next time! **(All exit stage right.)**

### Scene 5: Lunch

**(Scene changes to "Cafeteria". Sunny, Moonshine, Harriet, Rainbow, and the three sisters enter stage right. The spirithogs and Hedgiya sit down at a table that is at center stage. They each have a lunch box. Above them is a big banner saying, 'CAFETERIA'.)**

Hedgiya: Why do I have to eat from the cafeteria?

Hedgiye: Because you are a silly 14-year-old.

Hedgiya: I am not!

Hedga: Yes you are! **(The older sisters exit stage left. The hedgehogs continuously eat.)**

Sunny:**(suddenly)** I know...

Moonshine: ...what happened...

Sunny: ...Hedge is....

Moonshine: ...controlling people!

Rainbow: We have to stop that.

Hedgiya: What can I do to help?

Harriet: You are in charge of finding the Heartstone.

Hedgiya: I am just an ordinary hedgehog.

Harriet: No. You are a talented and brave hedgehog. Let me show you my home. **(Scene changes to “Clouds at Day”. The table and lunchboxes disappear.)**

Hedgiya: Clouds are everywhere.

Harriet: We are now on top of the clouds.

Hedgiya: **(pointing offstage)** What is that?

Harriet: Sky’s castle. We are going to have a meeting there.

Hedgiya: **(surprised)** A meeting?

Harriet: Yes. At 1:00 p.m.

Hedgiya: **(looks at her watch)** It is 12:59! **(She and the spirithogs rush off stage left. Scene changes to “Sky’s Castle”. Sky is standing stage right.)**

Sky: Hedgehogs, it’s time for the meeting! **(Hedgiya and the spirithogs rush on stage left and sit facing Sky.)**

### Scene 6: Meeting

Sky: Welcome, hedgehogs, to our annual meeting! **(They clap)** Today we will talk about finding the Heartstone. Any questions? **(Everyone raises their hands.)** Yes?

Audience: How will we find it?!?!?

Sky: Here is the plan. We will head to the Great Snake’s cave, take the Heartstone, make Hedge turn good, and defeat the Great Snake.

Hedgiya: How will I help?

Sky: With your hearts.

Hedgiya: I have hearts?

Sky: Press on your heart. **(Hedgiya presses on her heart. She pulls the heart case out.)**

Sky: Open that. **(Hedgiya opens the heart-filled case.)**

Hedgiya: What are these hearts used for?

Sky: To help someone, mend cracks, open gates, etc. Just throw a heart at your target while thinking really hard about your purpose. Hearts can also be attached to tools.

Hedgiya: Where is the Great Snake's cave?

Sky: Underneath the Telephone Courtyard.

Harriet: Should Hedgiya bring her hearts?

Sky: Yes.

Rainbow: Will all of us go?

Sky: Yes.

Sunny: Should we...

Moonshine...go now???

Sky: Time to go, hedgehogs!



## Scene 7: Journey

**(The scene changes to 'Path'. The hedgehogs walk in circles around the stage. They walk. And walk. Hedgiya yawns. They stop on stage right.)**

Hedgiya: I'm so sleepy!

Harriet: Let me show you something.

**(Flashback: everyone offstage continuously says 'flashback' while characters onstage are frozen. During this, flashback characters enter/exit and set changes.)**

**(Hedge and the Great Snake enter stage left. Scene changes to 'Cave'. The Heartstone is on a stand between them.)**

Witchog: Mwa ha ha ha ha! Soon I will be controlling the whole Hedgehog Headquarters!

Great Snake: You still have to control the Ssspirithogsss and Hedgiya and her sssisterssss.

Witchog: I sense that they are coming.

Both: They are no match for ussssssssssss! **[flashback]**

**(The Great Snake and Witchog exit, carrying the stand with the Heartstone on it. Scene changes to 'Path'. Hedgiya and the Spirithogs continue walking.)**

Hedgiya: Oh no! We'd better hurry up. Are we there yet???

Harriet: We are now going underground. Use your heart to light the way. **(Hedgiya attaches a heart to a string. It is lit up.)**

Sunny and Moonshine: Light! We love light!

Rainbow: Why are you two so obsessed with light?

Sunny and Moonshine: **(shrug)** We just love it.

Hedgiya: **(pointing offstage stage left)** Look! The gate to the Great Snake's cave!

Rainbow: Tell it to open.

Hedgiya: Open up! **(She waits for a second.)** It didn't work!

Rainbow: Oh right, you don't know Snakish. Sky, tell it to open.

Sky: Sss sss SSS!

Hedgiya: It opened! Let's go! **(They rush offstage stage left. The scene changes to 'Cave'. The stand with the Heartstone is on stage left. Hedgiya and the Spirithogs re-enter stage right.)**

Hedgiya: **(points to the Heartstone)** Is that the Heartstone?

Sky: Yes.

Hedgiya: But there is a moat between us and the stand! How will we get to it?!?

Sky: Swim!

### Scene 8: Recovery of the Heartstone

**(They all dive in and start swimming.)**

Hedgiya: **(Stops swimming)** I'm glad I can swim!

Sky: Careful! Don't stop swimming or you'll-

Hedgiya: **(Gets pulled away)** Heeeellllp!

Sky: -get pulled away.

Harriet: Use your hearts! **(Hedgiya attaches a heart to a long string and holds onto the heart. Sky and Harriet grab the end of the string and pull her to safety.)**

Sky: The Heartstone is right there.

Hedgiya: Take it! **(Sky tries to take the Heartstone, but it is too tightly connected to the stand.)**

Sky: I can't! It's held on by a spell!

Hedgiya: Then we'll take the whole stand! What's the harm? **(Sky tries to but can't.)**

Sky: It's spelled on, too!

Hedgiya: That's a problem!

Harriet: I know!

Sunny: The Great Snake dislikes three things.

Moonshine: Love....

Rainbow: ...writing....

Sky: ...and milk!

Hedgiya: Milk?!? Why milk???

Sky: I have no clue!

Harriet: Let's get to work! I will pour milk on the Heartstone. **(She pours milk on the Heartstone.)** And now I will write 'love' all over it! **(She gets out a pen and writes it on the Heartstone while spelling it aloud.)** L-O-V-E! **(She lifts the Heartstone off the stand. All the hedgehogs cheer. Witchog and the Great Snake enter stage left.)**

Great Snake: Well, well, well, who do we have here?

Witchog: The Heartstone cannot be stolen without a fight!

Good characters: We are not afraid of you!

Evil characters: You are no match for usssssssssss!

### Scene 9: Battle

Witchog: Mwa ha ha ha ha! The Heartstone is ours!

Sky: It is mine! You two may be stronger, but we are smarter!

Great Snake: Sssssssssss! **(It runs at Sunny and Moonshine. They scream and cast spells.)**

Witchog: And you two, Rainbow and Harriet, assisting Hedgiya all the way! You believe in kindness, help and cooperation(ew)-I believe in fighting! **(Rainbow and Harriet glare at Witchog. They cast spells at each other. Hedgiye and Hedga enter stage right, holding swords.)**

Good characters: Assistance!

Hedgiye: I can't believe 14-year-olds can be so.....

Hedga: ...brave.

Older sisters: Guess first impressions are not to be trusted!

Hedgiya: Let's make a trap!

**(They set up a trap, or put a cardboard box on the floor between them and Witchog.)**

Sunny: **(loudly)** I have to tell you a secret, but don't tell Witchog and the Great Snake, or they could get the Heartstone! The secret is, the Heartstone is right there inside that box. **(Harriet hides the Heartstone behind her back)** Uh-oh, maybe I said that too loudly.

Witchog: Too late! I am going to steal back the Heartstone! Mwa ha ha ha ha! **(She runs over to the box.)** Hey, there's nothing he-aaaah! **(She collapses into the box.)** I can't get out! Let me out!

Hedgiya: Now what?

Sky: We need to get rid of the Great Snake.

Sunny: Try my flute! **(She plays the tune of 'Ms. Coberly's 67 Hedgehogs'. The Great Snake just laughs.)**

Moonshine: I know! I will sing! **(sings)** 'The moon, why are you shining so brightly? **(The Great Snake crosses its arms, unimpressed.)**

Great Snake: Lsss that all you can do, dearieesssss?

Hedgiya: I know! Surround the Great Snake! **(The hedgehogs surround the Great Snake. Hedgiya takes the biggest heart and throws it at the Great Snake. It screams and collapses but does not die yet.)**

Great Snake: Curse you! **(It casts a spell on Hedgiya. She immediately looks exhausted.)** Just you wait! I will get my revenge! **(She dies. Hedgiya cheers, then collapses.)**

Sky: Now I will make Witchog into Hedge again and make her good! **(She casts a spell on Witchog.)**

Hedge: **(sitting up)** Where am I?

Harriet: In the Great Snake's cave.

Hedge: Where should we go?

Harriet: Back to the Hedgehog White House!

### Scene 10: Conclusion

**(Scene changes to 'Great Hall'. Hedgiya is lying center stage with all the Spirithogs [except Sky] and her sisters leaning over her. Hedgiya wakes up.)**

Hedgiya: Where am I?

Rainbow: You have been asleep for three days.

Hedgiya: Three days?!?

Harriet: The Great Snake cast a sleeping spell on you. It also bit you. **(Hedgiya stands up. Sky rushes in stage left.)**

Sky: The president wants to give a speech!

Harriet: To the Tree of Life, hedgehogs!

**(They all rush off stage right. The scene changes to 'Tree of Life'. The President enters from stage right. Everyone else enters from stage left and stands facing the President.)**

President: Welcome, hedgehogs! Our mission has been completed and the Heartstone has been returned. There are three hedgehogs I want to thank, as this mission would not have been complete without them. First, Skylar Atmosphere Spirithog, a.k.a. Sky, for making Hedge good again. Next, Harriet Natura Spirithog, a.k.a. Harriet, for finding the Heartstone. Last, but certainly not least, Hedgiya Heartz Coberlyhog, a.k.a. Heartz, for being determined to find the Heartstone no matter what others think. **(Everyone applauds.)**

Hedgiye: We could not have done it without you, Hedgiya.

Hedga: You are actually responsible!

Hedge: You are all invited to the baby shower.

Hedgiya: Baby shower?

Hedge: I am having a baby! I am glad I turned good because if I were still evil, the baby would have grown up to be evil!

Sunny: Let's partyyyyyyyyyyyy!!!

Moonshine: I feel cold! **(It starts to snow)**

All: Snowflake partyyyyyyyyyyyy!!!! **(They all dance)**

*The End*

**(After this, perform 'Ms. Coberly's 67 Hedgehogs' and then execute bows.)**