

The Modern Version of Hansel and Gretel

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Wes, the Narrator: (*raps*) “Hey you guys, I’ve got some news!
Here is something to rid your blues
There’s Hansel, and Gretel, and the Wicked Witch, too
Here they are in a play just for you.
Now we’ve worked hard to present this play
It ain’t something you can see anyday!
So sit up tall, don’t croak like a toad.
And now let’s get this show on the road!

Narrator walk off stage. Behind him are Mother and Father, along with Hansel, sitting at a table. Gretel enters.

Gretel: “Come on Hansel! I want to get to the mall, man!”

Dad: “Hey! Why don’t you take the shortcut in the woods, dudes?”

Mom: “Yeah! That’s cool.”

Gretel: “Okay.”

Narrator: “The children start to go to the woods. When they are walking, they come to two paths. They cannot decide which path to take, when suddenly a strange looking creature crawls toward them.”

Alexis, the Creature: (*raps*)

“Hey, dudes! Looks like you’ve got the blues!
There’s a fork in the road and you’ve gotta choose
If you’re going to the mall, don’t take all night!
Take a shortcut, man – take the path on the right!

Hansel: “Oh! Thanks, man!”

The children walk off. Witch and props come on stage. Alexis and Wes are in the background, singing and dancing with the witch.

Alexis, Wes and the Witch: *(singing to the tune of the Brady Bunch)*

“In the forest, there was a lady
Her house was made of candy, not of stone.
She would lure children into her cottage
When they were all alone.

She would cook ‘em, and she would eat ‘em
Some were boiled, some were baked, and some were fried
She wouldn’t listen if they begged her
Even if they cried!

And then one day, came two children
Who had lost their way going to the mall
Well she chased ‘em, and she caught ‘em
And chained them to the wall!”

Witch chases, catches, and chains the children to the wall, and the story takes place from there. When song ends, story takes place where song left off.

Witch: “Let me see! Should I boil you, bake you, or fry you? I can’t decide. Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha, Ha!!!”

Gretel: “Please, like, let me go! I’ve got to get my beautiful hair done!”

Witch: “No way, bozo! I’ve got you and I’m gonna eat you!

Hansel: *(pointing to Gretel as he speaks)* “Why in the world would you want to eat her? I bet she tastes as sour as she looks!

Gretel: “Oh, shut up, Hansel!”

Witch: “Both of you hush! Gretel, if you don’t want to be my supper you will do MY hair. Here is a krimper. Make me look like Madonna. Hansel, do my nails! Like Freddy Krueger!”

Narrator: “While the witch is getting ready for her makeover, the children start a plan.”

Hansel and Gretel whisper together.

Witch: “OK! I’m ready!”

Hansel: “So are we! HA!”

The children rush at the witch. Hansel starts scratching the witch with the nail file and Gretel burns her head with the krimper. The witch screams and runs off stage.

Gretel: “Well! Now that that’s over with, let’s go to the radical mall! I’m totally late for the beauty parlor.”

Hansel: “Oh, Gretel! Can’t you think of anything but your hair?”

Gretel: (*startled*) “No!”

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