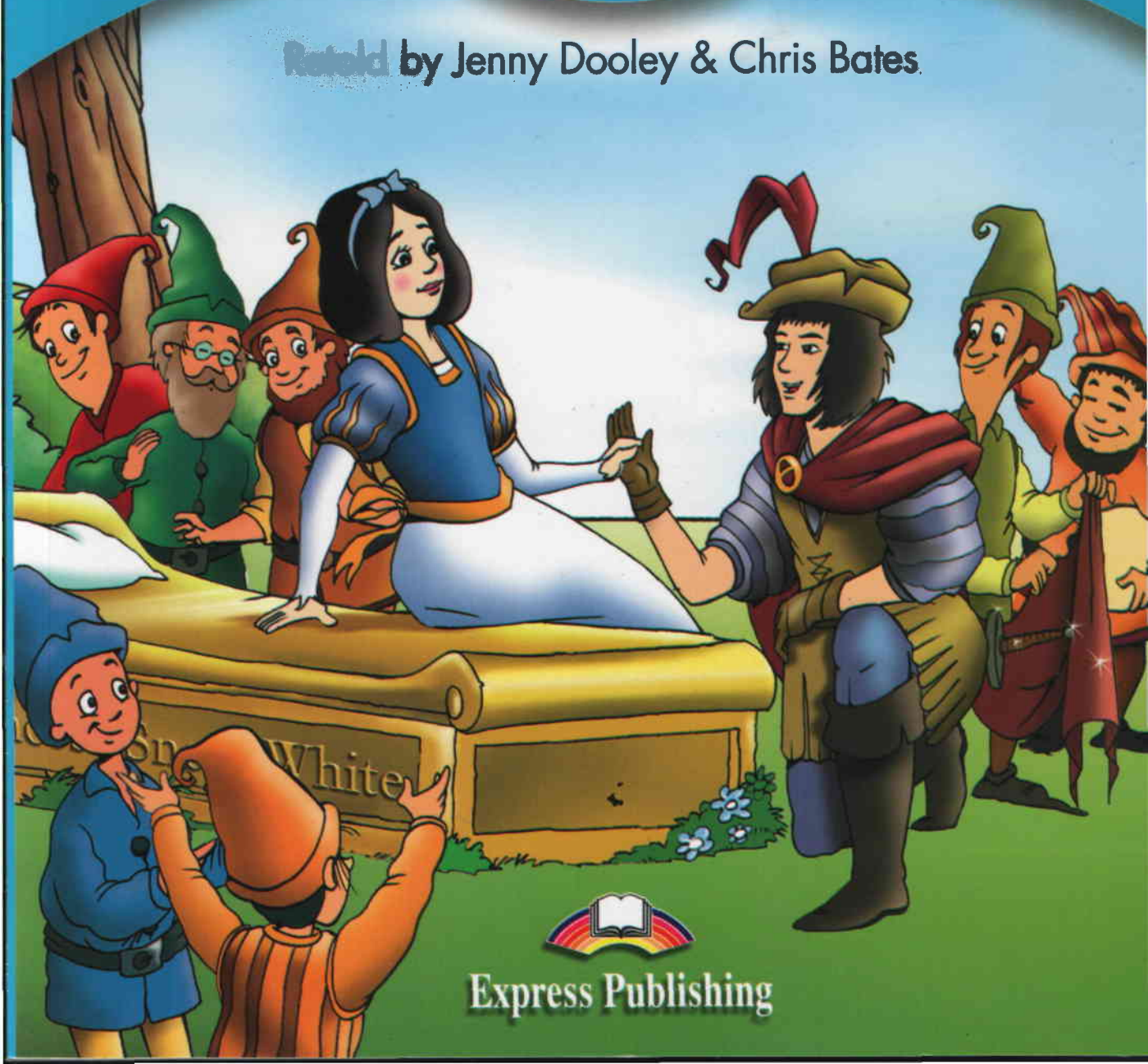


The Brothers Grimm

SNOW WHITE & the 7 Dwarfs

storytime

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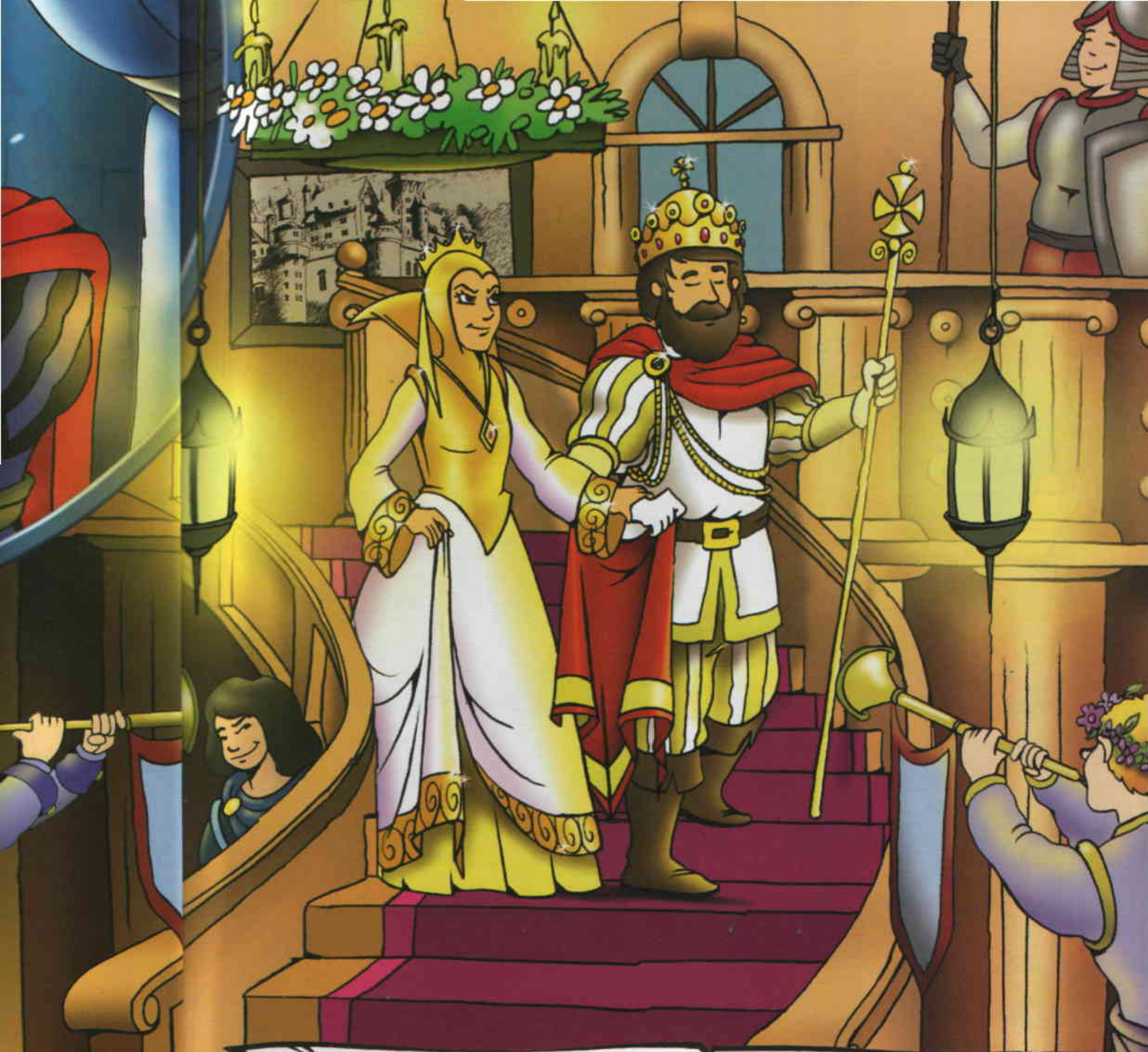


It's winter, and it's snowing, a long long time ago.
The Queen is in her garden, looking at the snow.
"I want to pick some flowers. Oh, look! A pretty bud!
Oh, no! My little finger! And look! A drop of blood!"





"I want a little baby with skin as white as snow;
with long black hair, red lips like blood - I hope it can be so!"
And so a few months later, her secret wish comes true.
"You're such a pretty baby! Snow White's the name for you!"



But only two weeks after, the Queen gets sick and dies.
The King is very lonely and every day he cries.
"My baby needs a mother, so this is my new wife."
"She's beautiful, but evil ..." "... and has a secret life!"



"She's got a magic mirror! She talks to it each day."
"She looks into the mirror and then I hear her say:"
"Mirror, mirror, on the wall, who's the prettiest one of all?"
"I cannot lie, so I must say you're the prettiest one today!"





For sixteen years she's happy – the mirror says the same.
But then **one** day the mirror gives her another name.
"Mirror, mirror, **on the wall**, who's the prettiest one of all?"
"I cannot lie, so I must say Snow White's the prettiest today!"



"What are you saying, mirror? Snow White?! That cannot be! I know the girl is pretty, but prettier than me!"
The evil Queen is angry. She calls one of the guards.
"Take Snow White to the forest and bring me back her heart!"

The Evil Queen

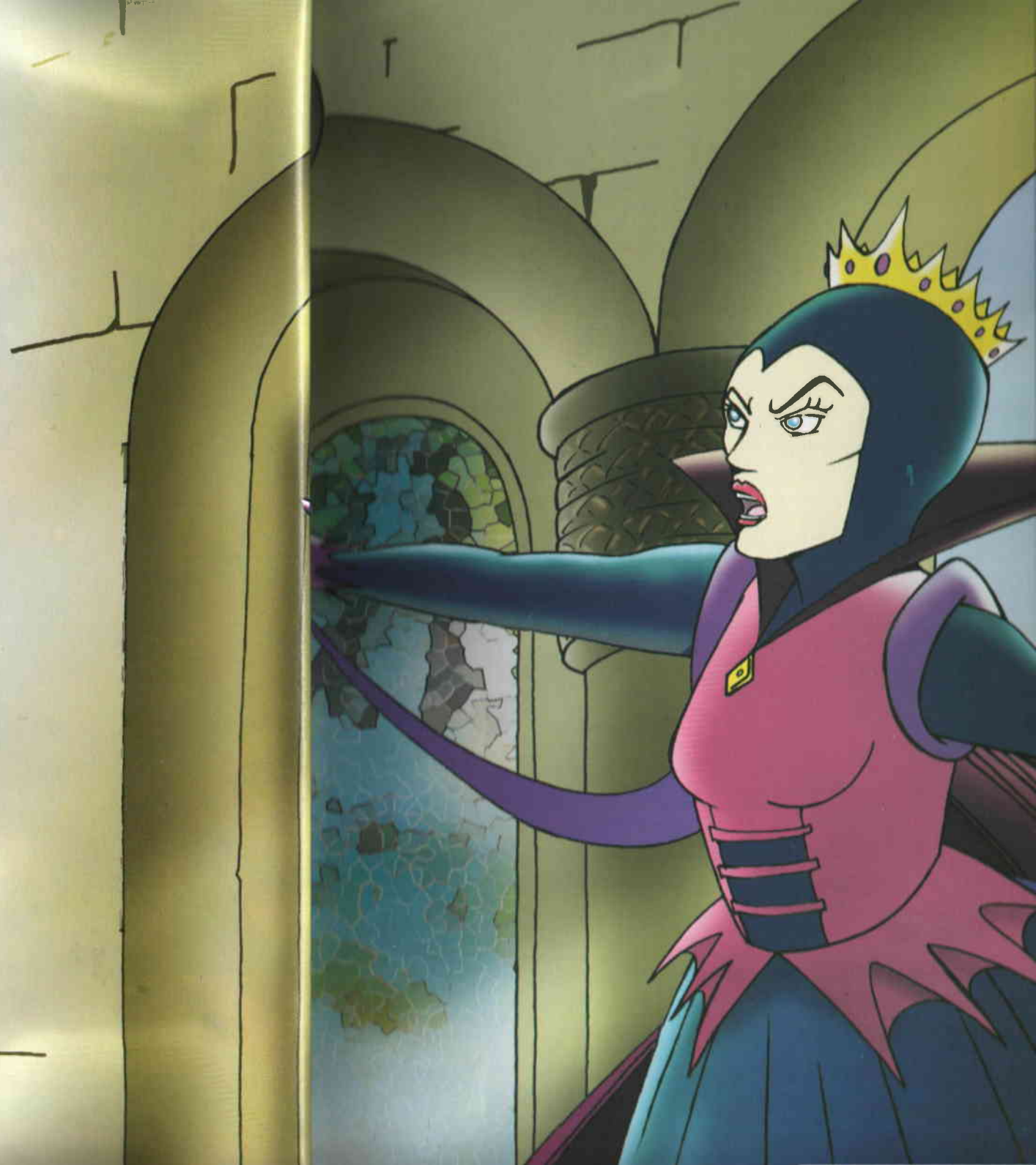
Chorus: The Evil Queen!
The Evil Queen!
She is so bad!
She is so mean!

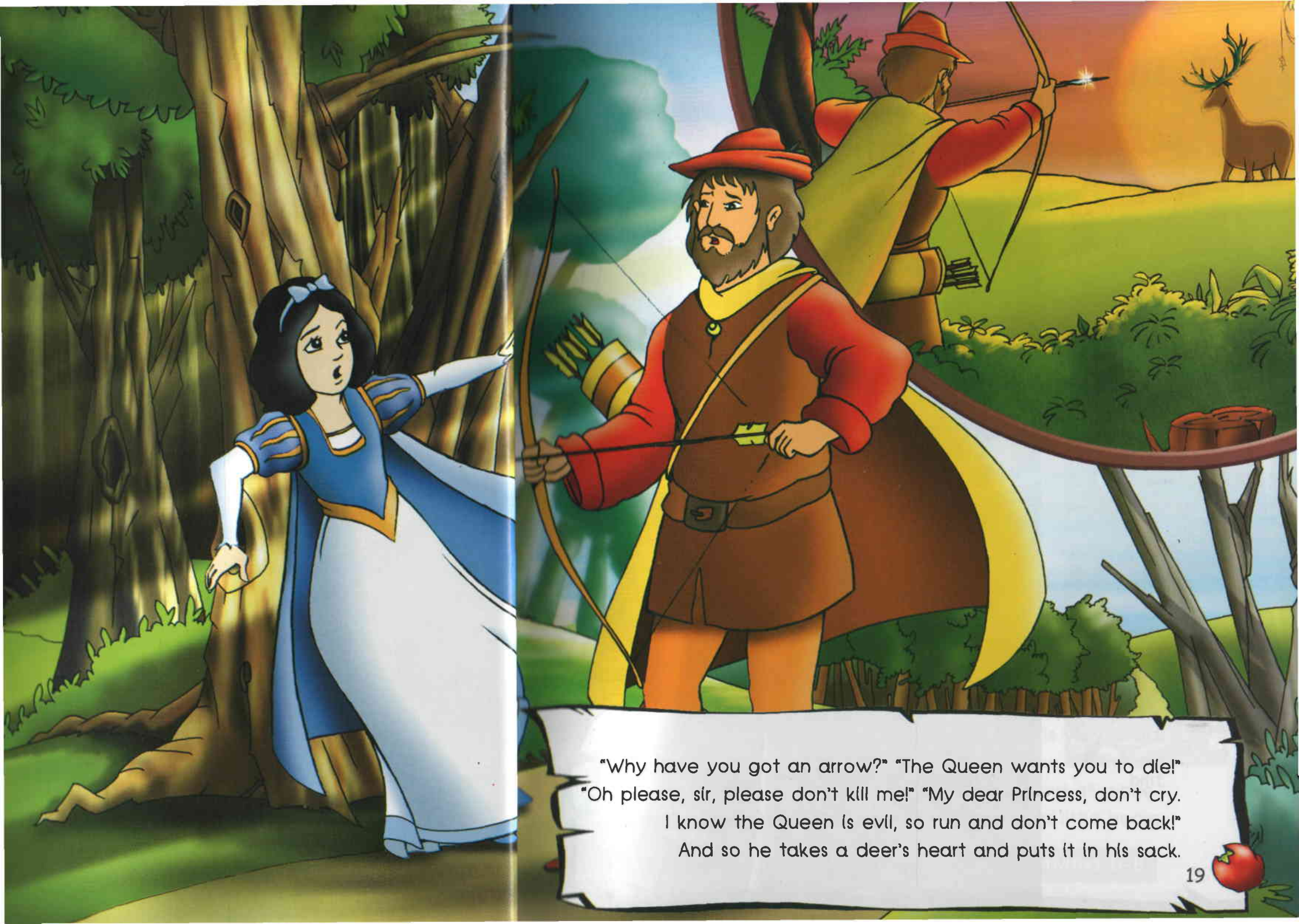
Oh, poor Snow White!
Oh, poor Snow White!
Where can you run?
Where can you hide?

Repeat chorus

The guard is sad.
He wants to cry.
He doesn't want
Snow White to die!

Repeat chorus





“Why have you got an arrow?” “The Queen wants you to die!”
“Oh please, sir, please don’t kill me!” “My dear Princess, don’t cry.
I know the Queen is evil, so run and don’t come back!”
And so he takes a deer’s heart and puts it in his sack.





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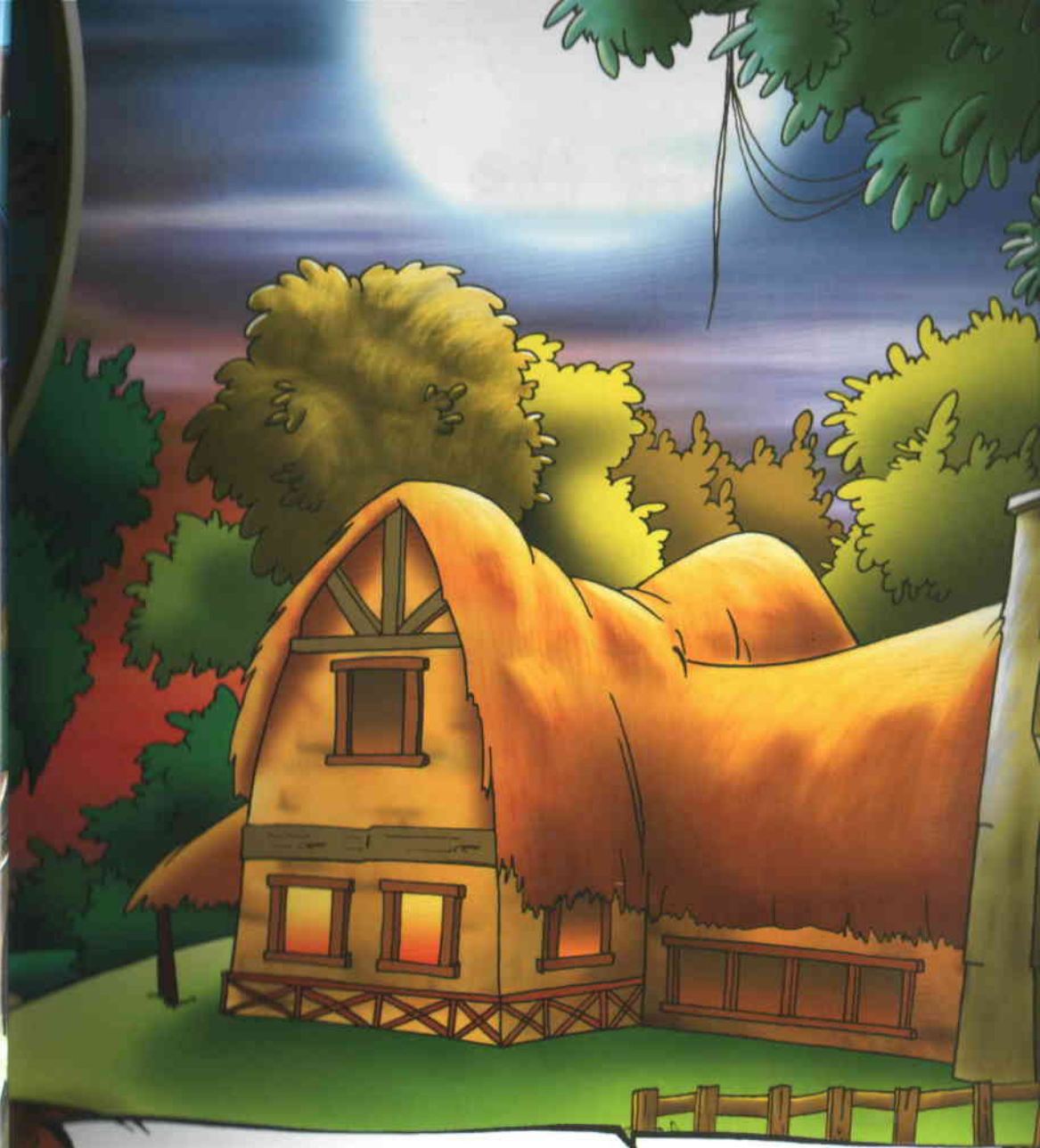
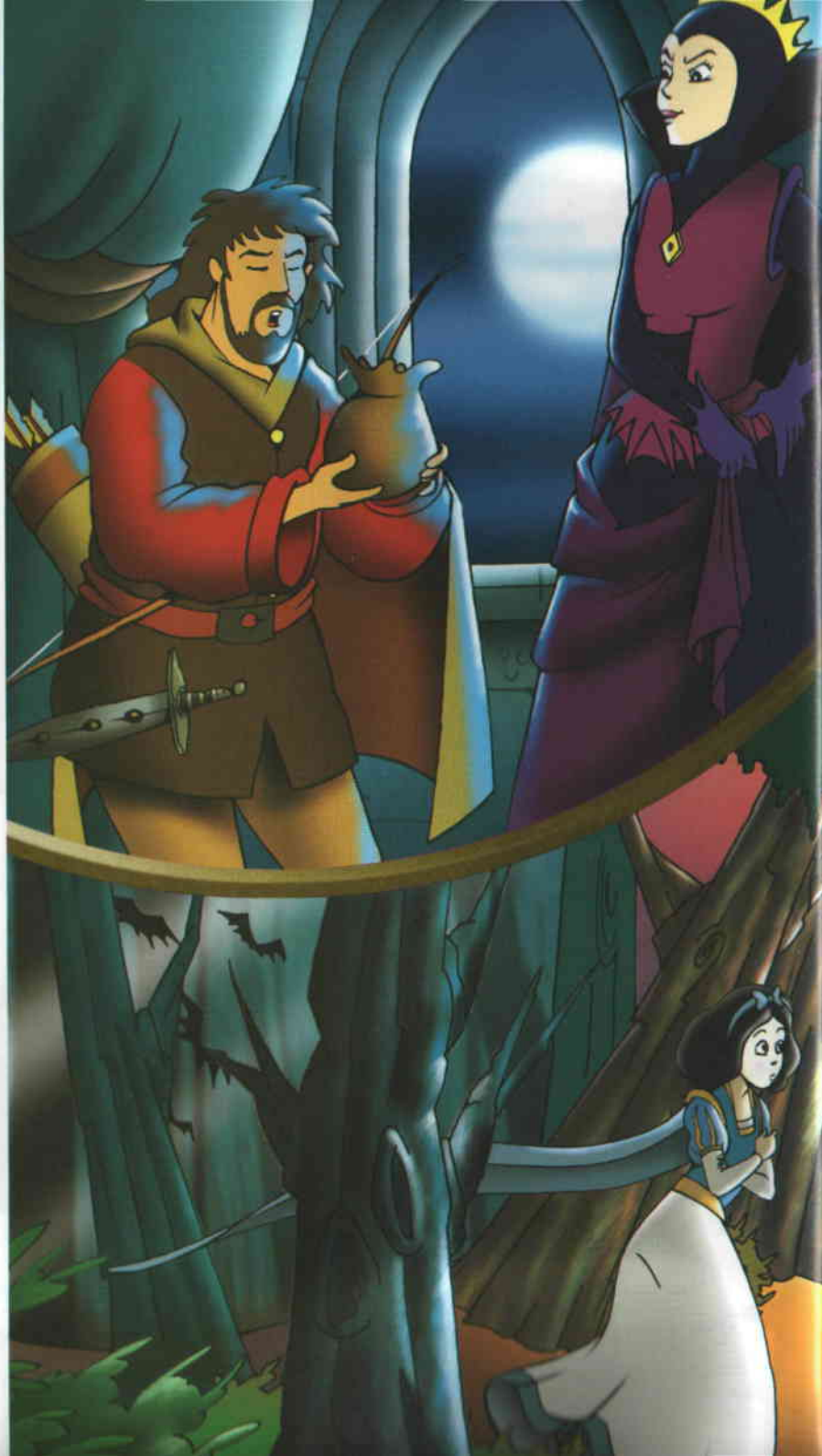
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The guard is very clever! His plan is very smart. "I hope my Queen is happy." "Oh, yes! Give me the heart!" But Snow White's in the forest. "I'm cold and all alone." She walks and walks for hours and finds a little home.

The Home of the Seven Dwarfs

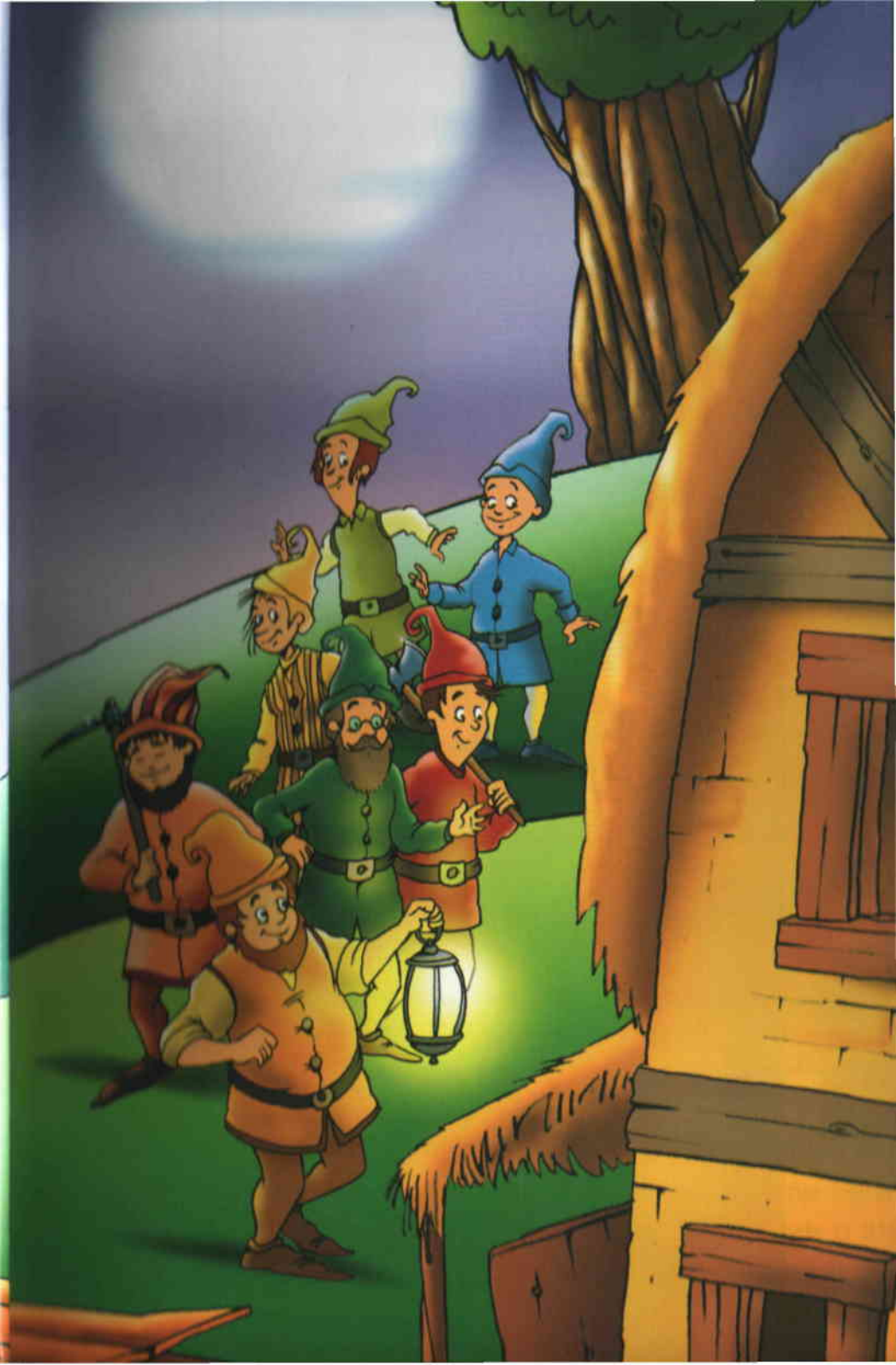
Chorus: The home of the seven dwarfs –
so small in every way!
The home of the seven dwarfs –
a lovely place to stay!

What a lovely little house!
And everything's so small!
Tiny chairs and tiny beds –
there's nothing big at all!

Repeat chorus

What a lovely little house!
But no one is inside!
The dwarfs work hard all day long
and come back home at night.

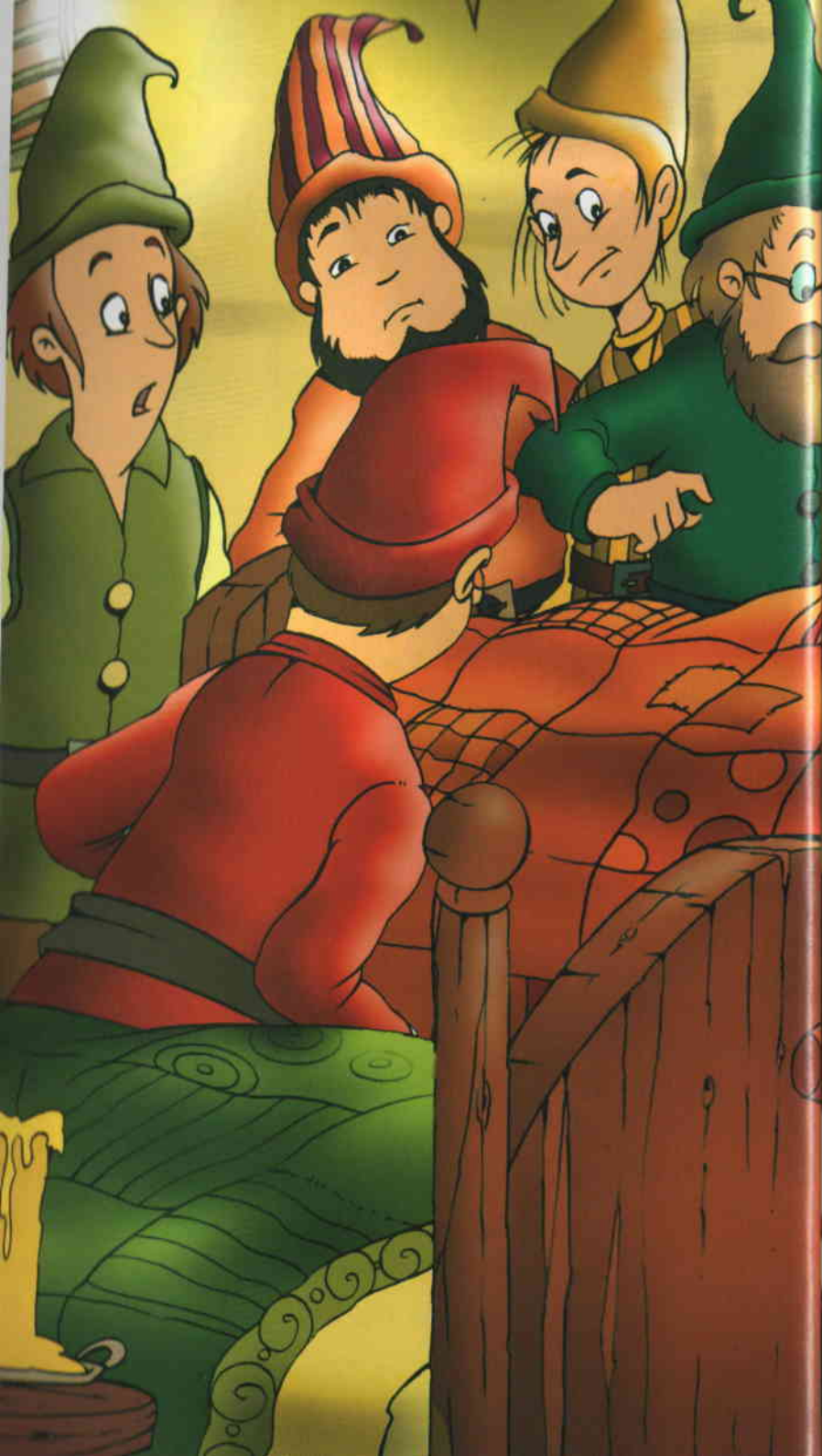
Repeat chorus





"This house is very tiny and everything's so small!
But where is everybody? There's no one here at all!"
Snow White is very sleepy. She needs a little rest.
"I need a bed to sleep on. Ah yes! This is the best!"





The seven dwarfs come home now and then they find Snow White.

"This girl is very pretty!" "Why is she here tonight?"

"Oh, look at all her ribbons!" "And what a pretty dress!"

"Her skin is white like snowflakes!" "She must be a princess!"





"I think she's waking up now." "You're welcome here, my dear!"
"Please tell us where you come from." "And tell us why you're here!"
"My father's wife is evil." "Who is she?" "She's the Queen!
And now she wants to kill me." "Oh, no! That's very mean!"





"Don't worry! You can hide here. The Queen is far away!"
"Oh, thank you! I'm so happy! I don't know what to say!"
"But promise to be careful!" "And stay inside, my dear."
"Don't ever talk to strangers!" "Don't ever let them near!"



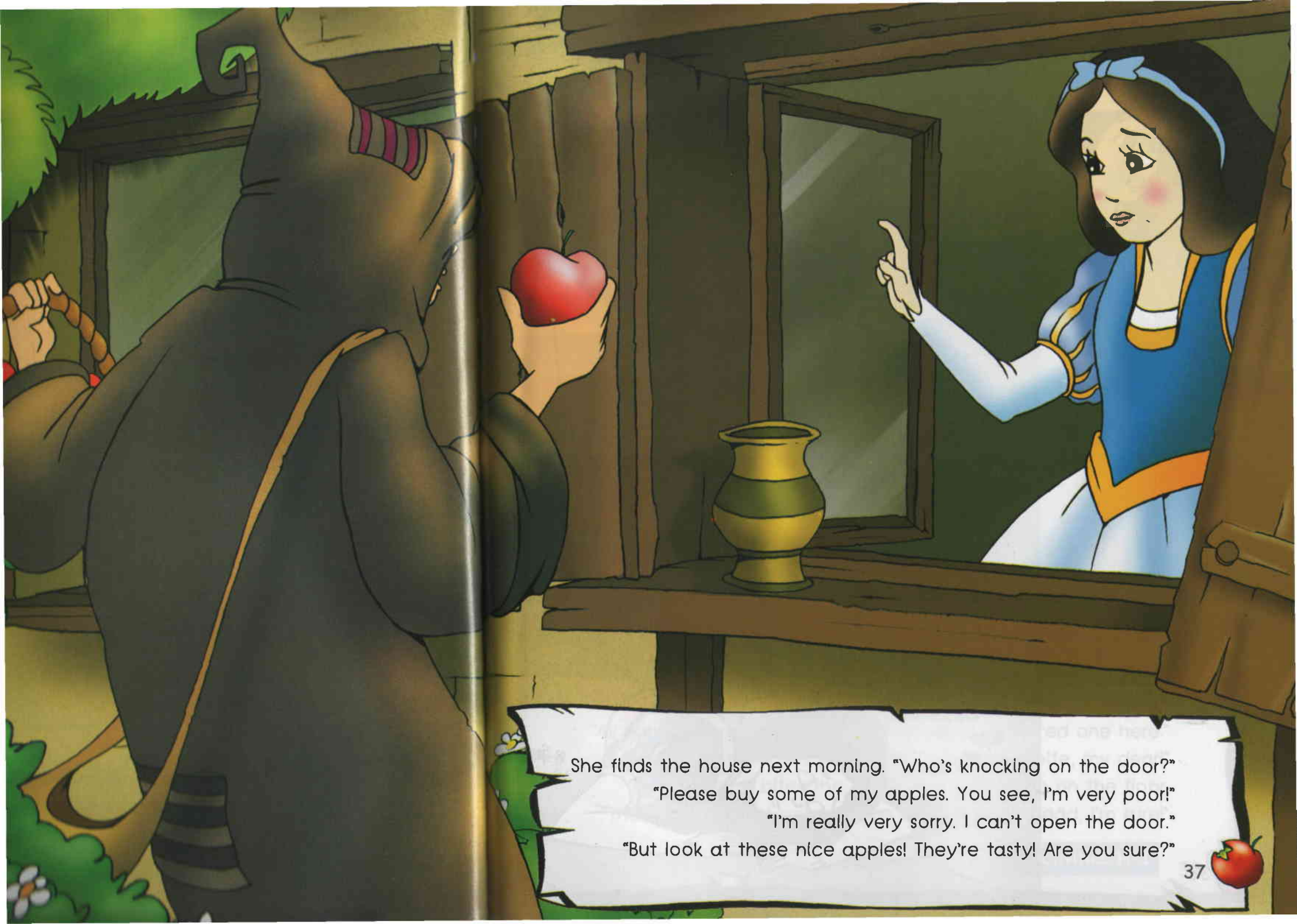


But then a few months later, the Queen gets a surprise.
“She’s talking to the mirror.” “It never tells her lies!”
“Mirror, mirror, on the wall, who’s the prettiest one of all?”
“I cannot lie, so I must say Snow White’s the prettiest today!”





"But she is dead! That cannot be! She can't be prettier than me!"
"Over the hills and far away, she lives with seven dwarfs this day!"
The Queen is very angry. "Just wait and see, Snow White!"
She paints her face and puts on rags and walks into the night.



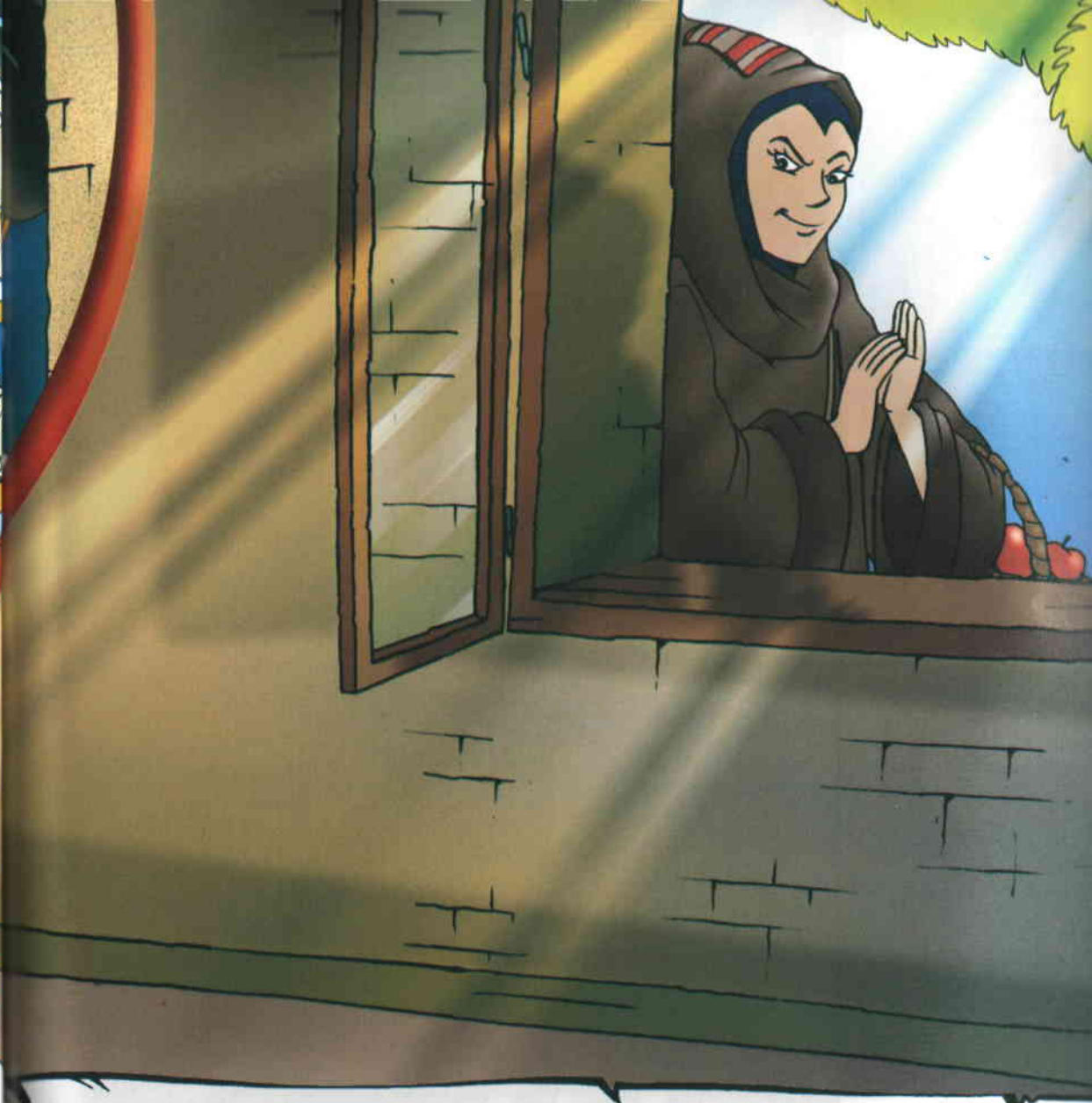
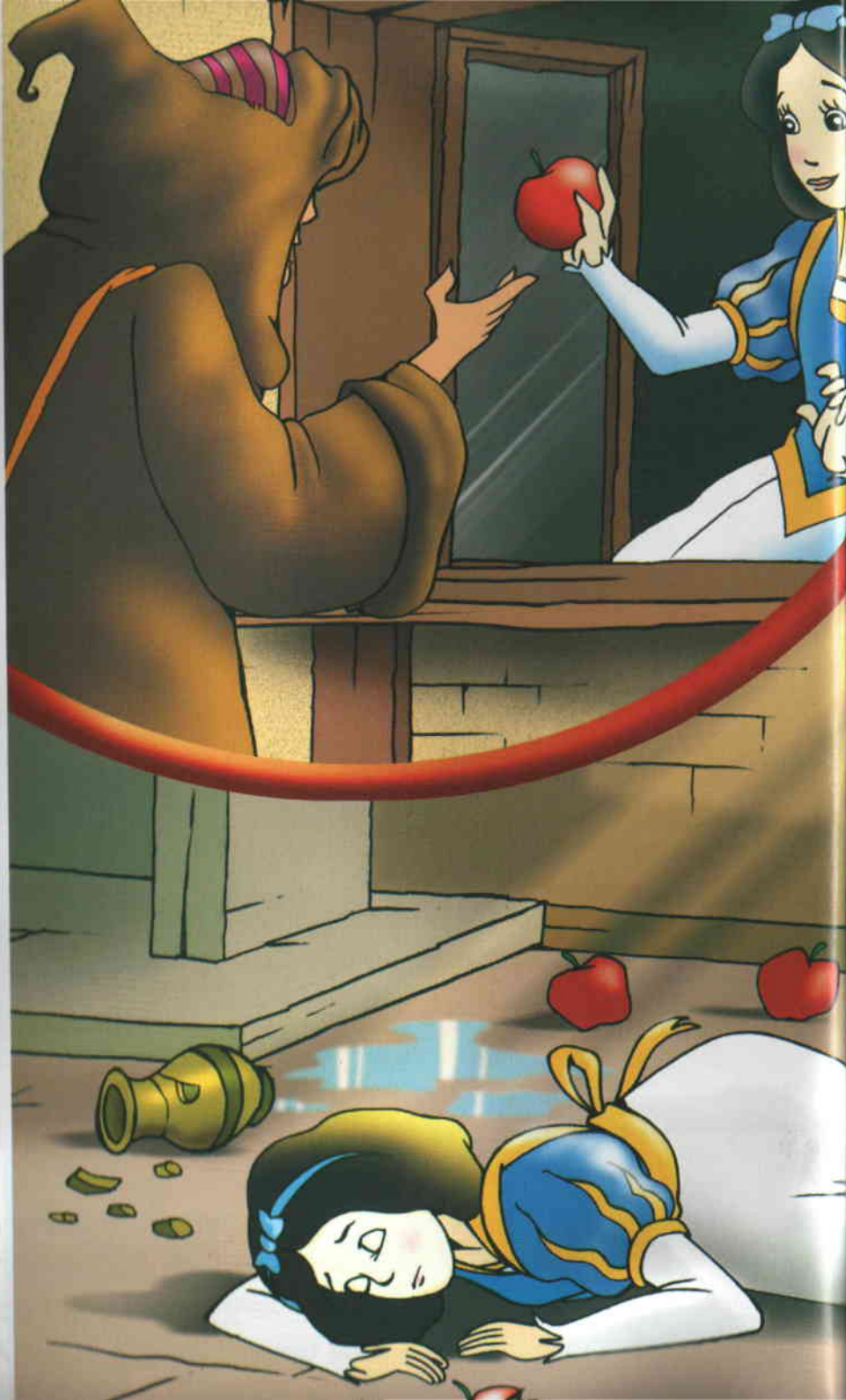
She finds the house next morning. "Who's knocking on the door?"

"Please buy some of my apples. You see, I'm very poor!"

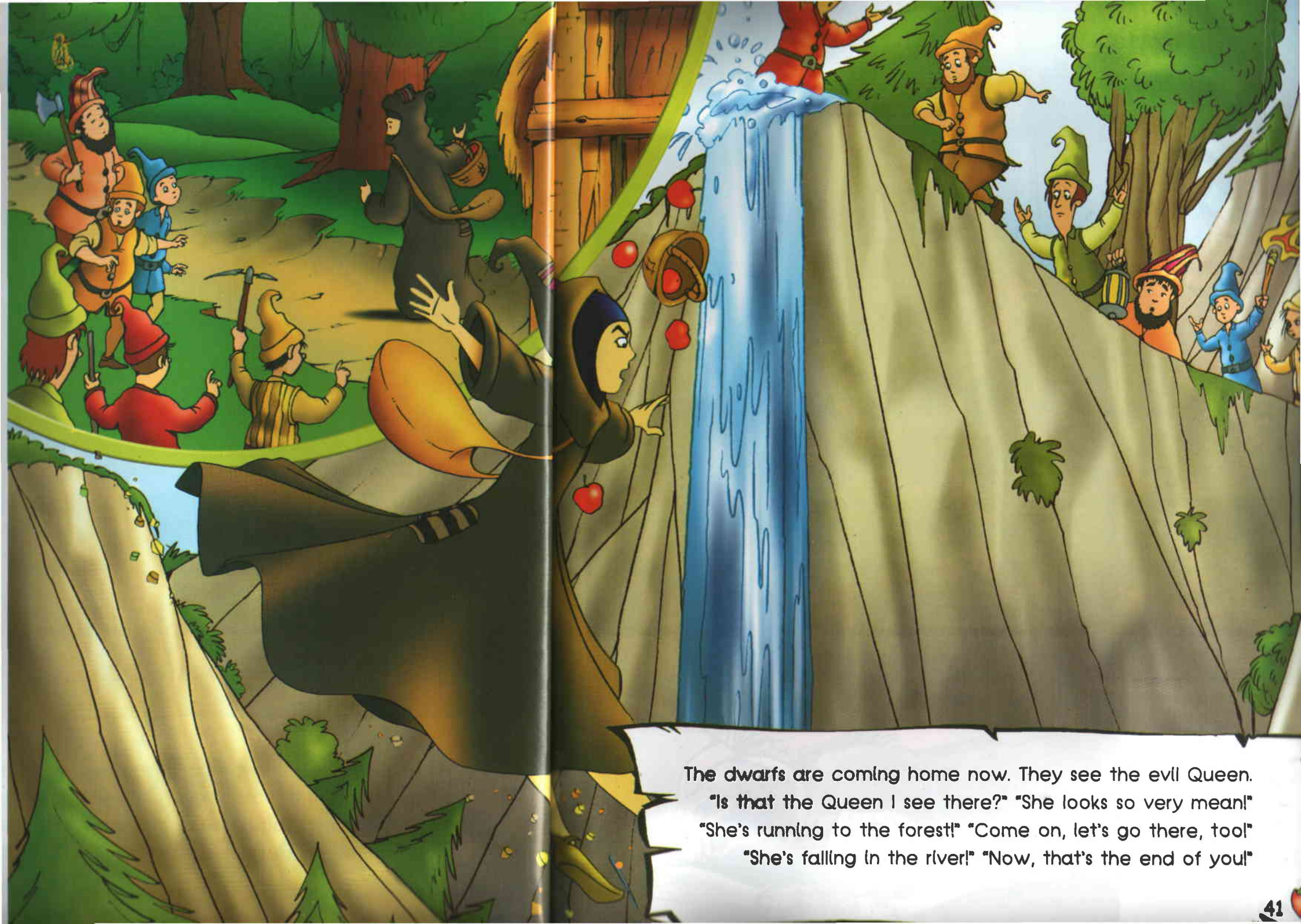
"I'm really very sorry. I can't open the door."

"But look at these nice apples! They're tasty! Are you sure?"





"All right then, let me try one." "Please take this red one here."
"You're right! It looks so tasty!" "Then take a bite, my dear!"
But when she bites the apple, she falls down on the floor.
"The apple's full of poison! Now Snow White's dead, I'm sure!"



The dwarfs are coming home now. They see the evil Queen.
"Is that the Queen I see there?" "She looks so very mean!"
"She's running to the forest!" "Come on, let's go there, too!"
"She's falling in the river!" "Now, that's the end of you!"



They all go home together. "Snow White, we're home, my dear!"

"Where is our little Princess?" "Oh, no! Look over here!"

"Our Princess isn't sleeping!" "I think Snow White is dead!"

And then they make their Princess a pretty golden bed.

The Spell

Oh, dear Snow White,
you are not dead -
It's just an evil spell!
Your one true love
can wake you up
and then all will be well!

A handsome prince
is on his way -
he's on a big white horse.
His magic kiss
will wake you up
and break the spell, of course!





Princess Snow

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The seven dwarfs are sad now. They stand around the bed.
"She looks so very pretty." "I can't believe she's dead!"
They stay out in the forest and watch her day and night.
And every single minute, they cry for their Snow White.



One day a prince comes riding. He's on a big white horse. He's very tall and handsome, and strong, and kind, of course! "It says here she's a princess ... but why is she like this? She looks so very pretty!" He gives Snow White a kiss.



"Look at that man! Who is he?" "He's kissing our Snow White!"
"But look! Her eyes are open!" "I think that she's all right!"
"Who are you?" "I'm Prince Henry." "What are you doing here?"
"Snow White, I think I love you. Please marry me, my dear!"



"I'll marry you, Prince Henry!" "Snow White, don't go away!"
"But you can all come with us!" "Let's celebrate! Hurray!"
Snow White goes with Prince Henry and takes her seven friends.
Now everybody's happy and so, this is the END!



Never Talk to Strangers!

Never talk to strangers,
no matter what you do!
They're not your friends!
You don't know them!
They can be mean to you!

Don't take things from strangers!
No apples, cakes or sweets!
You must say "No"
and walk away!
You don't need any treats!

Never go with strangers!
You must say "No, no, no!"
They may look nice,
they may look kind -
don't go with them! Don't go!

