

TEN IN A BED Script sample

Red Riding Hood. (*Entering*) Thank you very much. (*See the Wolf*) Oh look. You ought to know that's not your bed. You really are a naughty wolf. And what are you doing with that bucket on your head?

Wolf: It's not a bucket. This is Granny's hat. (*Defensive.*) Well. It'll have to do.

Little Bear: Excuse me. Who are you?

Red Riding Hood: Who are we? Can't you see? (*To audience*) Tell Little Bear who we are, please.

Audience: Red Riding Hood and the Wolf.

Red Riding Hood: Thank you very much

(*Others introduce themselves*)

Jack: I'm Jack

Jill: I'm Jill

Little Bear: I'm Little Bear

Belinda: Belinda - how do you do? Now how about this wolf? What does he do?

Red Riding Hood: (*Looking round, then telling the others, in confidence*) It's like this. That silly wolf, he always thinks he's going to win,

Wolf: I got here first I always do.

Red Riding Hood: I know. I know. But he still thinks he's going to eat me up, you see. Can someone tell him - in my story, does the Wolf eat me?

Audience: No!

Red Riding Hood: (*To Wolf*) There you are you see! But he still keeps on trying to make it true. Here, Wolfie (*whistles*) Put the bucket down. (*Wolf does this, reluctantly. Jill picks it up quickly and holds it close*) (*To Night People*) You know how the story goes. Please sing for me. (*To Belinda and other characters*) It goes like this you see:

MUSIC CUE RED RIDING HOOD'S SONG

Night People sing:

I can't look it's much too scary little girl you're all unwary

This is Miss Red Riding Hood
Who went out walking through the wood
A wolf pursued her and she had
A bad fright

Hold tight

Wolf sings:

I am such a wicked guy
And I can scare you if I try
I huff and puff and then let fly
A big yowl
Wolf how!!

Red Riding Hood sings:

How he always tries to scare me
Trouble is I
Just don't care see
Why can't he remember that he lost the fight?

Night People sing:

Watch out or he'll surely find you
Careful now he's right behind you
He could eat you for his tea
Very very very very very very easily

Red Riding Hood sings:

Don't you see you just can't win
You know the end so why begin
No wolf has ever won his story through
Not even you!

Wolf: (*Sitting on floor*) Ow ow ow ow howl!

Belinda: It's no use making a fuss. I'm certainly not going to let you eat anyone while you're in my house. And anyway, look at the time. You should be in bed you know.

Night People: Yes. You should be in bed you know.

Wolf: I can hear you I can hear you. I see there's only one thing for it!
(*Looks round*) Wahay -up! (*Wolf runs and takes a jump into the bed.*) Night night everyone. See you in the morning.

Jack: (*To Belinda*) Well what a cheek. He's in your bed. Now what are we going to do?

Jill: I'm not getting into bed with him.

Red Riding Hood: No need to be scared of silly old wolf.. All he is is a great big fuss pot. Here Wolf. Move over. (*Red Riding Hood gets into bed with the Wolf. Wolf puts his head on her shoulder. Others gather round impressed with her bravado, clap*)

Bear: But what about us? Where are we going to sleep?

Belinda: (*Getting into bed, carefully*) It seems quite safe. (*Stretches happily*) Aaaaah!
(*To others*) Well come along. There's room for everyone.