

LITTLE RED RIDINGHOOD

They said to always make them proud. And here I am about to kill somebody.

CINDERELLA

Not somebody. A Giant who has been doing harm.

LITTLE RED RIDINGHOOD

But the Giant's a person. Aren't we to show forgiveness? Mother would be very unhappy with these circumstances.

CINDERELLA

MOTHER CANNOT GUIDE YOU.
NOW YOU'RE ON YOUR OWN.
ONLY ME BESIDE YOU.
STILL, YOU'RE NOT ALONE.
NO ONE IS ALONE, TRULY.
NO ONE IS ALONE.

SOMETIMES PEOPLE LEAVE YOU
HALFWAY THROUGH THE WOOD.
OTHERS MAY DECEIVE YOU.
YOU DECIDE WHAT'S GOOD.
YOU DECIDE ALONE.
BUT NO ONE IS ALONE.

LITTLE RED RIDINGHOOD

I WISH...

CINDERELLA

I KNOW...

(LITTLE RED RIDINGHOOD moves close to CINDERELLA, who comforts her; JACK and the BAKER APPEAR sitting in the tower.)

Start: ->

JACK

Wait until my mother hears I've slain the Giant.

BAKER

Jack. Your mother is dead.

JACK

(Stunned)

Dead? Was she killed by the Giant?

BAKER

She was arguing with the Giant — trying to protect you — and she was struck a deadly blow by the Prince's steward.

JACK

Oh no. Why would he do that?

BAKER

He was afraid she was provoking the Giant.

JACK

(Upset)

Can no one bring her back?

BAKER

No one.

JACK

That steward will pay for this. After we slay the Giant, I will slay him.

BAKER

You'll do nothing of the kind!

JACK

But he shouldn't have killed my mother. Right?

BAKER

I guess not.

JACK

(Cold)

Then he must die.

BAKER

Well, no.

JACK

(Getting worked up)

Why not?

BAKER

Because that would be wrong.

JACK

What he did was wrong. He should be punished.

BAKER

He will be, somehow.

JACK

How?

BAKER

I don't know!

(Angry)

Stop asking me questions I can't answer.

JACK

(Cold)

I'm going to kill him!

BAKER

Then kill him!

(Beat)

Stop: -> No, don't kill him.

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CINDERELLA

(To LITTLE RED RIDINGHOOD)

MOTHER ISN'T HERE NOW.

BAKER

(To JACK)

WRONG THINGS, RIGHT THINGS...

CINDERELLA

WHO KNOWS WHAT SHE'D SAY?

BAKER

WHO CAN SAY WHAT'S TRUE?

CINDERELLA

NOTHING'S QUITE SO CLEAR NOW –

BAKER

DO THINGS, FIGHT THINGS...

CINDERELLA

FEEL YOU'VE LOST YOUR WAY?

BAKER

YOU DECIDE,

BUT YOU ARE NOT ALONE.