

Trouble In The Magic House

Based on the Children's TV programme: Tots TV.

Characters:

Tilly, (French accent)

Tom, (ordinary voice)

Tiny. (high squeaky voice)

Scene: Tom and Tilly sitting together in the evening. Tom is reading, Tilly is knitting. Tom is obviously very restless.

Tom: Tilly,

Tilly: Yes Tom?

Tom: Tilly (sighs)

Tilly: Yes Tom?

Tom: Tilly, (pause) have you ever felt bored?

Tilly: Bored Tom? What do you mean? We've got all we need, the secret house, the magic bag, and best of all - each other. How could we be bored Tom.

Tom: Well Tilly, (pause, and deep sigh) I'm bored. I'm fed up with living in this silly secret house. I never get to do anything exciting, and I'm fed up of being stuck here all day every day with just you and Tiny. In fact I've decided, I'm off! I'm leaving the secret house, and going to the big city where I can have lots of friends and go to lots of parties. And what's more: I'm taking the Magic bag with me!

Tilly: Oh no Tom! Not the Magic bag! Whatever will Tiny and me do!

Tom: I don't know, and I don't really care. I'm off, I'm going to be rich and famous!

(Tom leaves and Tilly begins to cry: Tiny enters)

Tiny: Why are you crying Tilly? and where's Tom? He's not sitting in his usual chair.

Tilly: (Tearfully) Tom has gone!

Tiny: Don't worry Tilly, he'll be back soon, he's not usually long in the Toilet.

Tilly: But he hasn't gone to the Toilet!

Tiny: Well he's probably in the shed then, he won't be long.

Tilly: (Tearfully) But he's not gone to the shed!

Tiny: If he's not in the Toilet and not in the shed, then where has he gone Tilly.

Tilly: Oh Tiny, he's gone, he's left us, he said he was bored so he's gone. And what's more: He's taken the Magic Bag.

Tiny: Oh no! Not the Magic Bag! Whatever will we do!

Tilly: I don't know Tiny, I really don't know.

Tiny: Well I think he's really selfish, that's a rotten thing to do. If that's what Tom is like then we are better off without him, even if he has got the Magic Bag. I won't miss him at all, I think Tom is a real Pig!!

Scene: A room in the city.

Tom: Wow! That was a really good party. But what's wrong with the Magic Bag! It won't give me anything I ask for anymore. It used to be alright. If I don't get some good things out of it soon then all my new friends won't want to know me anymore!
(To the Bag) Give me a Nintendo Wii. (Puts hand in bag but finds nothing)
Give me a Pepperoni Pizza! (Finds nothing)

Scene: Back at the Secret House.

(Tilly is looking anxiously into the distance)

Tiny: What are you looking for Tilly?
Tilly: Oh nothing Tiny, I was just looking, just looking...
Tiny: You're looking for Tom aren't you Tilly.
Tilly: Tom? Oh Tom, Oh yes, not really, but it is rather different without him. Not seeing him and hearing him, its all rather sad.
Tiny: But Tilly, Tom was a bad boy, he's left us and gone away, we're better off without him. Even if he came back, we wouldn't want him!

(Tilly looks distraught)

Scene: The room in the city.

Tom: I've got nothing, no friends, no food, and no magic bag. All I've got left are these Potato peelings. Oh what shall I do!? I know, I'll go back to the secret house and say sorry, I'll tell Tilly that if she'll let me come back to live there, I'll do all the cooking and the cleaning and the washing up. I'll be their slave! I'll do everything they ask me to.

Scene: The magic house - Tilly looking anxiously.

Tilly: Oh I'm so sad, I'm so sad. Hang on! Whose that? It looks like Tom, Yes it is! It's Tom! Tom! Tom! (runs towards him, and hugs him)
Tom: Tilly, I've got something to say.....
Tilly: Oh Tom, Oh Tom, its so good to have you back again.
Tom: But Tilly, I've got something to.....
Tilly: Come into the house, I'll get your favourite slippers, and you can sit in your favourite chair.
Tom: But Tilly I've got.....
Tilly: And we'll have a party, yes I've got a special cake I've been saving for a special occasion. Oh Tom! its so good to see you again!!!
Tom: But Tilly I.....(Tilly drags him into the house)

Scene: In the house.

Tilly: Tiny! Tiny! Tiny! Look who's here, look who's come back!
Tiny: (Indignantly) Tom! what are you doing here.
Tom: Well I've got something to.....

Tiny: Tom I think you've made a mistake: You don't live here anymore. Only Tilly and I live here now, you don't!

Tom: Well I wanted to.....

Tilly: Oh Tiny don't be silly, of course Tom still lives here, his room is still there, all his toys and books are still there. Tom was lost, but now we have found him again, it was just like he was dead, but now its like he's alive again. Lets have a Party!

Tom: But I wanted.....

Tiny: No! That's not fair! You've never had a party for me, and I'm the one whose been good. Why should we have a party for Tom when he has been bad, I'm not coming!

Tom: But I.....

Tilly: But Tiny, we could all be a family again, just like before.

Tiny: Its not fair, you have a party if you like, but I'm going to my room!

(Tiny storms off)

Tilly looks at Tom, bursts into tears, and throws her arms around him.

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