



### Scene 1 – Mother's Kitchen

*Lights up.<sup>1</sup> The narrators<sup>2</sup>, Big Rabbit and Little Rabbit, stand downstage.<sup>1</sup>*

**Little Rabbit<sup>4</sup>:** Big Rabbit, Big Rabbit, is it time for a story?<sup>3</sup>

**Big Rabbit<sup>4</sup>:** What story would you like?<sup>3</sup>

**Little Rabbit<sup>4</sup>:** Do you know the story of Little Red Riding Hood?<sup>3</sup>

**Big Rabbit<sup>4</sup>:** (*excited*<sup>6</sup>) Of course I do! Let me just think how it begins. Ah yes, I remember!<sup>3</sup>

*Lights up on a cottage on the outskirts of a great forest. It is a spring day.*

**Big Rabbit<sup>4</sup>:** Once upon a time – and a very fine time it was – a girl called Red lived with her mother, in a cottage on the outskirts of a great forest.<sup>3</sup>

*Mother takes a batch of fresh cupcakes from the oven and places them on the table.<sup>5</sup>*

**Mother<sup>4</sup>:** Little Red! (*bangs the rolling pin on the table*<sup>6</sup>)  
Little Red! Time to get up.<sup>3</sup>

**Red<sup>4</sup>:** (*offstage*<sup>1</sup>) Coming, Mother!<sup>3</sup>

*Mother looks up at the clock (it's noon) and taps her foot angrily. Red enters the kitchen in a red cape. Seeing the cupcakes, she reaches out to take one, but her hand stops as Mother turns to glare.<sup>5</sup>*

Is structured using numbered scenes

Explanation of where the scene takes place

Includes short descriptions of each scene's setting



**Red<sup>4</sup>:** These smell delicious. (*backing away*<sup>6</sup>) You've been busy, Mother. Who are they for?<sup>3</sup>

**Mother<sup>4</sup>:** They're for Granny, so keep your mucky fingers off. I didn't raise you to steal from little old ladies. Why, your poor granny lives alone in the forest, surrounded by fearsome creatures. The least I can do is bake her a cupcake or two every now and then.<sup>3</sup>

**Red<sup>4</sup>:** (*rubbing her tummy*<sup>6</sup>) I wouldn't dream of touching Granny's cupcakes.<sup>3</sup>

*Mother piles the cupcakes into a wicker basket, then puts her hands on her hips.*<sup>5</sup>

**Mother<sup>4</sup>:** (*huffing*<sup>7</sup>) Now, you're to take this basket straight to Granny's. No dilly-dallying, keep to the path, and never ever talk to strangers. Do you hear me?<sup>3</sup>

**Red<sup>4</sup>:** (*sighing*<sup>7</sup>) Yes, Mother.<sup>3</sup>

*Red takes the basket and hurries from the kitchen.*<sup>5</sup>

**Big Rabbit<sup>24</sup>:** And with that, Little Red Riding Hood hurried from the kitchen into the glorious spring sunshine.<sup>3</sup>

*Lights down.*<sup>1</sup>

Starts a new line for each speaker

Narrator starts and ends each scene