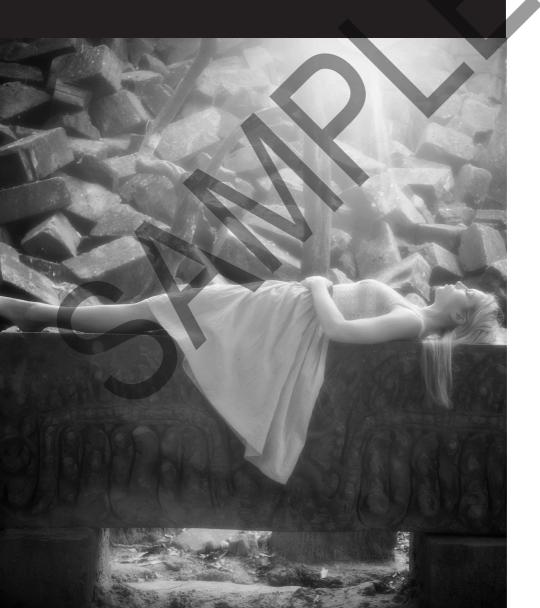
The Princess and the Nag Hag



Characters

Nіккі – fourteen years old

KATHRYN - Nikki's stepmother, thirty-five years old

ELOISE - Nikki's best friend

AMANDA - Kathryn's best friend, mid-thirties

JILL - Nikki's mother, early forties

Ruтн - Eloise's mother, early forties

SALLY - Nikki's aunt, late forties



Setting

This play is written for performance on a proscenium arch stage with small apron. Settings are established through the dialogue. Basic tables and chairs as required. A school bench. Three phones. A computer. Some scenes require simple hand props.

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Scene 1

Curtain opens on a kitchen. NIKKI enters, dressed in her school uniform, but with buttons undone and her hair unbrushed.

Nikki: Dad? Dad? Dad!

[Nikki puts the kettle on and gets out a cup and some instant coffee. She yawns and starts doing up her buttons and tidying herself up. Kathryn enters, smartly dressed for the office. She carries a newspaper under her arm.]

KATHRYN: Good morning, Nikki.

NIKKI: Morning, Kathryn.

KATHRYN: [Checking her watch] Won't you miss your bus?

NIKKI: Dad's giving me a lift.

KATHRYN: No, he's not. He left early for a site meeting.

NIKKI: [To herself, while making her coffee] Great.

KATHRYN: Had your breakfast?

Nіккі: I don't eat breakfast.

KATHRYN: You know, breakfast is the most important meal of

the day—

NIKKI: I can't face food this early.

KATHRYN: Well, I guess you'll have a good appetite for our

dinner tonight.

Nikki: [Flatly] Yeah. Look, I'd better run. I'll be late.

KATHRYN: I could write you a note.

Nah. Thanks. Notes have to be signed by parents,

anyway. Bye.

[Nikki grabs her bag, dumps her coffee mug and exits. Kathryn sighs and then begins to make

herself a cup of tea. Curtain closes.]