

At the party

‘Two tickets? Twenty pounds, please,’ says Abbie.

It’s Friday night and Abbie is at the party. She’s dressed as Cleopatra. She and Megan are at the front door of the school hall. They’re standing behind a table and selling tickets.

Megan is dressed as Marie Antoinette. She’s wearing a very tall wig and a very big dress. She is organising everyone. ‘Come here.’ ‘Stand there!’ ‘Do you have your money?’

She takes ten pounds from a student and looks at his costume. ‘Jarrod Munson, who are you dressed as?’

‘Sherlock Holmes,’ answers Jarrod.

‘Sherlock Holmes is *not* from history,’ says Megan. ‘He’s not real. He’s from a book.’ She turns to Abbie, ‘Don’t give him a ticket.’

Jarrod looks at Megan. ‘Can’t I come to the party?’ He looks at Abbie.

Abbie smiles and gives him a ticket. ‘Yes, you can.’

Megan puts her hands on her hips and looks at Abbie. She is not happy.

‘Oh, Megan,’ says Abbie. ‘It’s a good costume and we need the money. He can go in.’

Then Abbie sees Dean. He is wearing his musketeer costume. ‘Dean!’

He goes to the table and lunges with his sword. ‘*En garde!* One ticket, please.’

‘No,’ says Megan. ‘Rosie is in front of you.’ There is a girl at the table dressed as Joan of Arc. ‘Go and stand behind her.’

Abbie gives Rosie a ticket.

Megan puts out her hand to Dean. ‘Now you can give me your money.’

Dean gives her ten pounds. She puts it in a tin and Abbie gives him a ticket.

‘Oh, there’s Mr Alcott!’ Megan is smiling and jumping up and down. ‘Mr Alcott, Mr Alcott, do you like my costume? I’m Marie Antoinette.’

Mr Alcott is their history teacher. He comes to the table.

‘Hello, Megan. And Abbie – you’re Cleopatra. Very nice costumes, girls.’ He looks at Dean. ‘And who is this musketeer, behind the moustache and the beard?’

‘It’s Dean Simpson,’ says Abbie.

‘Ah, hello Dean.’

Dean looks at Mr Alcott’s costume. ‘Are you wearing a sheet, Mr Alcott?’ he asks.

‘Yes,’ says Mr Alcott. ‘I’m Julius Caesar.’

Dean looks at Abbie and they laugh.

‘Four tickets, please.’ Abraham Lincoln is standing at the table with his friends – Napoleon, William Shakespeare and Elvis.

They get their tickets.

‘Come on, Dean,’ says Napoleon.

Dean and the other boys go into the hall.

Megan puts forty pounds into the tin. ‘Now we have £2810.’


‘That’s very good,’ says Mr Alcott. ‘That’s going to help with the history trip. In the storeroom there’s a cupboard. Put the money in there. Here’s the key to the cupboard. Put the money in, lock it and give me the key. Okay?’

Megan smiles and takes the key. ‘Yes, Mr Alcott.’



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