



[Enter Scherezade and Shahryar and sit on cushions]

Shahryar: As all my previous wives, you'll die tomorrow, after our wedding night.
Scherezade: Yes, my lord. But please, let me read a bedtime story for you to sleep.
Shahryar: *[Lying down]* That pleases me. Go ahead.
Scherezade: Once upon a time there was a man called Ali Baba...

[Enter Ali Baba, Kassim, their Wives and Morgiana]

Ali Baba: I'm going to get some wood.
Ali Baba's wife: Good bye, my husband.
Morgiana: Good bye, master.
Kassim: Hey, brother, where are you going?
Ali Baba: To get some wood. Shall I bring you some?
Kassim: No, thanks. I don't need anything from you. I'm rich enough to buy my own wood.
Kassim's wife: That's true. Bye!

[Exit Kassim, Wives and Morgiana. Enter Rocks, Thieves and Treasure 1]

Ali Baba: *[Worried]* Oh! I can hear thieves coming! I'll hide here.
Thief 1: Here's the door!
Rocks: Please, enter your password.
All thieves: Captain, say the secret words!
Captain: Open, sesame!
Rocks: *[Opening]* Let's open.
Ali Baba: *[Opening his mouth in amazement]* Oh!

[All thieves go in, carrying Treasure 1. Enter Treasures 2 and 3]

Captain: Shut, sesame!
Rocks: *[Closing]* Let's shut.
Treasure 1: *[To the other Treasures]* Hey, what have you got inside?
Treasure 2: I've got one thousand golden coins.
Treasure 3: I've got two thousand silver coins. *[To Treasure 1]* What have you got?
Treasure 1: I've got one hundred diamonds and two hundred pearls.
Captain: Open, sesame!
Rocks: *[Opening]* Let's open.

[All Thieves go out out the cave]

Captain: Shut, sesame!
Rocks: *[Closing]* Let's shut.

[Exit all Thieves]

Ali Baba: I wonder what that cave hides inside. I'll try the magic words. Open, sesame!
Shahryar: *[Yawning]* I feel sleepy. Let's go to sleep. You won't die tomorrow, because I want to know the end of your story.
Scherezade: Yes, my lord. Thank you, my lord.

