

SCENE TWO: *At the Fairy Colony a Little Later*

Two pixies, NIMBUS and WISPY enter, chatting together.

NIMBUS: Have you seen Flicker's trick where she flies through a keyhole?

WISPY: No, but I heard about it.

NIMBUS: She's only just learnt how to do it. She smacked her head loads of times before she got it right.

WISPY: Oh, it takes special training then, does it?

NIMBUS: Oh yes. It's not one of those tricks that anyone can do just like that.

CRYSTAL enters looking very fed up.

WISPY: Hi, Crystal! *(Notices her sad face)* Why are you looking so fed up?

CRYSTAL: Have you seen Twinkle?

NIMBUS: No.

CRYSTAL: Oh, good. I'm keeping out of her way. She's really mad at me.

NIMBUS: Why?

CRYSTAL: Oh, just a little misunderstanding about her fairy dust.

WISPY: If it was a misunderstanding, why is she angry with you?

CRYSTAL: I don't know.

A scream and a thud is heard offstage.

WISPY: Was that what I thought it was?

NIMBUS: *(Nodding)* Another fairy dying. *(Pause)* Did you just tell us a fib then, Crystal?

CRYSTAL: Only a little one.

NIMBUS: Oh, well, that's all right. That fairy will only be a little dead then, won't she?

CRYSTAL: Oh, don't you two start having a go at me as well.

WISPY: So why is Twinkle mad at you?

CRYSTAL: Well, firstly because I knocked her fairydust all over the place and then because I lied about doing it.

NIMBUS: It was probably the lying more than anything else.

CRYSTAL: I know.

WISPY: So why do you tell lies, then? If you didn't make things up or tell fibs, people wouldn't get angry with you.

CRYSTAL: *(Sarcastically)* Oh, well done brain of Britain!

WISPY: There's no need to take it out on Nimbus and me. We're only trying to help.

CRYSTAL: I'm sorry. I'm just so fed up, that's all.

WISPY: If you keep on lying, the fairies will banish you, you know.

CRYSTAL: I know. *(Pause)* Well, if that happens, I'll have to come and live with you pixies, won't I?

NIMBUS and WISPY exchange glances.

NIMBUS: I think you're forgetting something, Crystal.

WISPY: Pixies are fairies as well, remember.

NIMBUS: That means that you won't be able to stay with us, either. No fairies means no fairies.

CRYSTAL: Oh, no! I'd forgotten that. Well where would I go?

NIMBUS: The gnomes might have you.

WISPY: Oh, she wouldn't want to live with the gnomes. They hate fairies.

CRYSTAL: *(Nodding)* And they smell.

WISPY: And all that facial hair... *(Shuddering)* ...yeucck!

NIMBUS: Well, it looks like the only solution is to tell the truth from now on.

CRYSTAL: You're right.

WISPY: It might be a good idea to apologise to Twinkle, too.

CRYSTAL: Yes, I'll go and do that now.

NIMBUS & WISPY: *(Together)* Good luck!

CRYSTAL exits.

WISPY: Do you think that Twinkle will forgive her, Nimbus?

NIMBUS: Nope.

WISPY: I thought not.

NIMBUS: Do you think that Crystal will stop telling lies, Wispy?

WISPY: Nope.

NIMBUS: I thought not.

They exit, chatting.

The lights fade to blackout.