

We All Have the Same Story

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- N** Once upon a time there was a lovely little girl who had a beautiful doll.
- J** Actually, the doll wasn't beautiful; it was all dirty, and balding, and made entirely of rags, but still the little girl loved her very much.
- N** And the little girl talked to the doll, and the doll talked back.
- J** Only, the doll spoke entirely in swear-words,
- N** The most terrible swear words!
- J** Which, of course, the little girl learned and repeated.
- L** "But who taught you these nasty swear words?" her mother asked.
- N** "My doll," answered the little girl.
- L** "You are a liar, dolls don't say bad words. Some nasty little boys taught them to you."
- N** "No, it was my doll. Go on, dolly," ordered the little girl. "Say some swear words to mommy."
- J** And the doll who did everything the little girl asked, because she loved her very much, came out with a whole string of the most terrible swear words:
- "Slut, pussy, shithead, cunt."
- L** Wooo! Mommy went red with rage! She ripped the doll out of the little girl's hands, threw open the window and [sound] she flung her outside onto a pile of trash.
- N** The little girl ran down the stairs and outside but she wasn't in time to get her doll because a cat,
- L** A disgusting red cat,
- Scooped her up in his teeth and carried her away into the woods.
- N** The poor little girl set out after the cat, crying the whole way.
- J** After much searching...
- L** And much walking...
- N** The little girl found herself lost in the woods of a great forest.
- L** It was then, on the top of a giant red mushroom, she saw a dwarf.

A real little dwarf with a beard and everything, peeing on a toad

J Who was actually a prince under a spell.

N “Listen, dwarfy, have you seen a red cat with a doll in its mouth that says terrible swear words?”

L “There’s one passing by over there,” said the dwarf, pointing with his penis, and [sound]! A great stream of pee-pee fell upon the red cat, and killed him dead...for everybody knows dwarf’s pee-pee is deadly poison to cats.

N “Thank you, thank you!” cried the little girl, hugging her pee-soaked doll.

J “What the fuck is this shit!” shouted the rag doll. “limp-dick killed my red cat. I loved that fucker. He beat me, he humiliated me. He insulted me, he forced me to work like a whore. He did terrible things to me but I loved him all the same. He made me his servant, he made me cry, and he kicked the shit out of me and yet I loved him even more. Mostly, he made me feel like a real woman, not just some fucking rag doll. And now without my cat, you fuck-face dwarf, pussy, shit-head, what the fuck am I supposed to do?”

L “Wow, what a woman!” cried the dwarf. “I love this foul-mouthed doll. If you let me, little girl, I will marry her and treat her even worse than the cat did. I will chain her to the bed and we will make thousands of foul-mouth, mushroom-shitting baby dwarfs.”

“No, I will marry her,” said a big, bad wolf with sharp teeth who had only just arrived.

J Well, he wasn’t a real wolf. He was actually a prince

L And a doctor,

N A cardiologist,

L Cursed by a witch and transformed into a big, bad wolf. He even still had his stethoscope.

J “Fuck that!” said the doll, beginning to cry. “I don’t want shit from this fucking big, bad wolf.”

L “But I’m a doctor,” cried the wolf, “a cardiologist, under a spell. If this virginal little girl gives me a kiss I will instantly transform into a good-looking, young professional, with an Ivy-League education, offering affectionate friendship.”

N And so, the little girl kissed the wolf, and [sound], out jumped, a good-looking cardiologist. He was so full of joy that he let out a giant fart right in the dwarf’s face, killing him dead...for everyone knows cardiologists’ farts are deadly poison to dwarfs.

As soon as the little girl laid eyes on the cardiologist, she fell in love with him.

“Oh, what a lovely cardiologist!”

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