

SCENE TEN

[The Killer Rabbit]

(A small cutout mound, decorated with daisies and skulls.)

TIM

Greetings!

ARTHUR

What manner of man are you that hovers in the air without string or visible supporting device?

TIM

I am an enchanter.

ARTHUR

By what name are you known?

TIM

There are some who call me... *Tim*.

ROBIN

Wow. Tim. What a really scary name.

[SFX: Clap of thunder]

ARTHUR

Greetings, O Tim.

TIM

Greetings, King Arthur!

ARTHUR

You know my name.

TIM

I do. You seek the Holy Grail.

ARTHUR

You know much that is hidden, O, Tim.

TIM

Quite! Below me... lies the cave of Caerbannog, wherein carved upon the very living rock, there be a clue which shall lead ye directly to your goal.

ARTHUR

Super. So straight on..

TIM

But think well before you step into this cave, for the entrance way is guarded by a beast so foul, so cruel, no man yet has fought this evil beast and lived. So be you warned brave knights, for death awaits you all with nasty great big pointy teeth!

[SFX: Clap of thunder]

ARTHUR

Come on!

TIM

Wait! Too late! There it is!

ARTHUR

Where?

TIM

There!

ARTHUR

What, behind the rabbit?

TIM

It is the rabbit!

(A fluffy white rabbit hand puppet pops up over the mound and innocently nibbles.)

ARTHUR

You silly sod! You got us all worked up!

TIM

Look this is no ordinary rabbit. This is the most foul, cruel, and bad-tempered rodent you ever set eyes on.

ROBIN

What's he do, nibble your bum?

TIM

This rabbit's got a vicious streak a mile wide. It's a killer!

ROBIN

You tit! I soiled my armor I was so scared!