

From Game of Tiaras

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CINDERELLA
SNOW WHITE

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There you are!

SNOW WHITE

Hello! Hello very much!

CINDERELLA

I'm Cinderella and we've been anxiously awaiting your arrival! Oh my gosh let me look at you! You are so pretty!

SNOW WHITE

Thank you!

CINDERELLA

Just so pretty, just so so pretty I love this bow thing that you're doing. Gosh. Mm. You are going to have no shortage of princes after this package, let me tell you that much. They pretty much fall in love at first sight around here.

SNOW WHITE

Oh I would very much like to land a prince.

CINDERELLA

You will! You are so precious! I wanted to let you know something though, if you see Prince Charming – HE'S MINE. Ha ha ha ha! Seriously, though, we're all sisters here and I will put venomous snakes in your bed at night if you so much as look at him. Okay? Okay! Let's be friends! Also – just an FYI – trust no one.

(She claps her hands.)

Servants! Snow White needs some help out here! Servants!

(No one enters.)

They must be on lunch break or something. That's okay a little torture will get them back to work.

SNOW WHITE

You torture your servants?

CINDERELLA

What? No! Of course not! I don't sully my hands with it. Other people do that for you. It's part of being a princess.

SNOW WHITE

Usually, I just have my animal friends help me.

CINDERELLA

Ohhhh. I love animal friends.

SNOW WHITE

I've got bunnies –

CINDERELLA

I've got mice they're not quite as cute –

SNOW WHITE

And birds –

CINDERELLA

Yeah I got birds too. Birds are sweet. In fact they do a lot of my torturing for me. I used to have two wicked stepsisters – and my birds just went to town on their eyes, you know? Just.... Popped them with their cute little beaks. Aaaaaaaah! My wicked stepsisters were screaming and running blind and everything! It was so awesome.

SNOW WHITE

Oh.

CINDERELLA

They had been mean to me.

(Short pause, suddenly serious)

You're not going to be mean to me, are you?

SNOW WHITE

No, not at all! I'm very sweet and innocent!

CINDERELLA

I know! I know you are! And remember: I'm your only friend here. Everyone else is against you.

SNOW WHITE

Against me?

CINDERELLA

Oop! I've got to run! I've got a mani-pedi scheduled for noon! The King is having a great birthday party this afternoon and I have to look my best! You should come!

SNOW WHITE

Thank you I will.

(CINDERELLA dashes off.)

What a funny lady.

(CINDERELLA comes right back.)

CINDERELLA

Did you just call me funny?

SNOW WHITE

No.

CINDERELLA

I thought I heard you call me funny.

SNOW WHITE

I didn't. I was talking about the weather.

CINDERELLA

Am I funny to you?

SNOW WHITE

No.

CINDERELLA

Am I like a dwarf to you?

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Hey!

SNOW WHITE

No! You're not funny. I just –

CINDERELLA

Then why did you say I was funny?

SNOW WHITE

Sometimes I say things because I have no filter.

CINDERELLA

I would shut your mouth before someone shuts it for you.

SNOW WHITE

Okay. Good advice. Thank you. Nice talk.

(CINDERELLA points from her eyes to SNOW WHITE's eyes to indicate that she is "watching." She leaves slowly.)

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