

# The Battle at Mysti-Mountain

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## Cast:

**Adam Taha** as Choco the Cat  
**Jack Wait** as General Ironbeak the Crow  
**Layla Khalil** as Rosie the Cheetah  
**Mariam Bahgat** as Wormy the Raspberry Worm  
**Margot Wait** as Kittycorn the Kitty Unicorn  
**Nadia Taha** as Golden Shade the Cat  
**Reina Itani** as Stripes the Chipmunk  
**Sophie Lakhpaty** as Rose the Ballerina  
**Zaina Taha** as Orchid the Pixie Ballerina  
**Zineb Khallaayoun** as Flower the Unicorn

## Scene 1

**Narrator:** Have you ever heard of the Battle at Mysti-Mountain? It's a most courageous tale filled with adventure, bravery, battles, and friendship. You haven't? Well, let me set the scene for you. This story takes place in a land that you may not have heard of...yet. This place is called the Mystical Mountain and it is a wildly exciting land where adventures happen every day. Talking animals, pixies, and humans have lived together in harmony for centuries. The unicorns, chipmunks, cats, cheetahs, worms, pixies, crows, and humans coexisted as the best of friends... Until one \*fateful\* day. This is where our story begins.

## Scene 2

*(We flash over to where our two ballerinas are hanging up posters/training. An old cat and a chipmunk are also hanging out outside, secretly listening.)*

**Orchid:** Here, Rose. Hang up this final poster right there so everyone will know that this is where our classes take place.

**Rose the Ballerina:** *(Hangs up the poster)* I can't wait until people show up for the training sessions, discover their powers through ballet, and join the fight to be protectors of our village. *(Does some fight moves)*

**Orchid:** Me too. We could really use the backup for when the time comes. Careful Sophie - you haven't mastered all of those moves yet! You don't want to hurt yourself like me.

**Rose the Ballerina:** I'm just so excited I can't stop practicing! I can't wait to master the splits and see what happens! I'm sure pixies like you pick up moves quickly, but it's hard for a human like me.

**Orchid:** It'll happen eventually. Pixie or not, every ballerina has a special move that unlocks their power and you'll find yours with a bit more training! Come on, let's go inside the studio

and start your lesson. (*Bumps into Goldenshade and Stripes*) Oh! I'm sorry. I didn't see you there. What're your names??

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** *\*Try to answer but only talk in animal noises\**

**Rose the Ballerina:** That's weird. All animals here speak the same language. Why can't we understand them?

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** *\*Try to talk again but it's only animal noises\**

**Orchid:** Huh. Okay.. well we have to go to our ballet lesson. See you around!

### **Scene 3**

**Narrator:** Unbeknownst to our ballerina friends, their training was about to come in handy, and they would definitely be needing the extra help.

**General Ironbeak:** At last, the ancient castle is finally MINE. Those little punks have gotten in my way for the last time. I can just sit back, relax, and enjoy some peace and quiet before I start my plot to take over the entire city! This castle is step one. Choco! Bring me my slippers.

**Choco:** Here's your slippers master.

**Ironbeak:** What a good kitty you are. But of course, you have no choice. You are trapped here.  
*\*Ironbeak gives an evil laugh\**

**Choco:** All I want is to go play outside.

**Ironbeak:** NOT GONNA HAPPEN. The doors must stay shut and the alarms ON. I will not have this castle stolen away from me and my plans foiled by those little punks again! (*Ironbeak storms away*)

**Choco:** He never listens to me.

**Wormy:** Hey pal, why so glum.

**Choco:** Who are you?

**Wormy:** My name is Wormy and I've lived in this castle for ages. Don't worry, I'm tiny and I stay out of the way.

**Choco:** I'm just sad because General IronBeak will never let me go outside.

**Wormy:** I go outside all the time! I would bring you if I could but I'm so slow and tiny, it takes me ages to get there and back. I go out looking for Raspberries! I'm a raspberry worm and if I could just find a raspberry it would change my life!

**Choco:** How?

**Wormy:** I don't really know...Oh well. I've gotta run. Call me if you need anything. (*Wormy moves off very slowly and choco exits other way*)

#### **Scene 4**

**Narrator:** Meanwhile, on the other side of the mountain where the unicorns live, some new friends were about to begin their own adventure.

**Flower:** Rosita, look at this poster I just found!

**Rosita:** Wow Flower, that looks like fun!

**Flower:** I've always wanted to learn how to dance but it's so hard. But this flyer says I could learn ballet AND unlock my secret potential.

**Rosita:** We have to go! I would fly us there if I could, but I don't know how to use my wings yet. I keep trying to learn, but my parents say I'm not ready. I feel ready though!

**Narrator:** Rosita was a Kittycorn, half kitty, half unicorn. Unlike the other unicorns, she had wings. Her parents were trying to protect her from flying because she is different from the other unicorns. But Flower had a great idea...

**Flower:** Come with me to this class. Maybe learning ballet will teach your wings to fly.

**Rosita:** That's a great idea! Let me invite my friend Rosie the Cheetah. *\*Pulls out her phone to call Rosie\**

**Narrator:** Yes, Rosie and Rosita are best friends. You heard that right. How cute.

**Rosie the Cheetah:** Helllllooooo Rosie the Cheetah here. OH! Hi Rosita! You want me to what? Go on an adventure with you? I don't think I can... my parents never let me have fun.

**Narrator:** Just then, Rosie heard her mom yell from the kitchen 'Rosie, sweetie! I'm going out to visit your grandmother tonight. Be safe and have fun!'

**Rosie the Cheetah:** Well, I guess I can have a little fun! I'll meet you in just a minute!

#### **Scene 5**

**Narrator:** So Rosie ran until she found her friends, Rosita and Flower. Flower showed Rosie the flyer and Rosita explained the adventure they were about to go on. As they were explaining though, Rosie got a little nervous.

**Rosie the Cheetah:** I don't know... I really want to go but.. Ballet isn't really my thing and my mom did say to stay safe.

**Narrator:** Just then, an old cat and a chipmunk popped out of a nearby bush where they had been secretly listening to this conversation.

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** *\*Attempt to speak but only animal noises come out.*

**Flower, Rosie, and Rosita:** AHH! What are they saying??

**Rosita:** Hi! Who are you?

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** *\*Continue attempting to speak but with no luck. Begin using wild gestures to get their point across\**

**Rosie:** They keep pointing at the flyer..

**Narrator:** I think it's about time I explained our furry friends here. This old cat is named Goldenshade and this chipmunk is Stripes. They are both incredibly wise creatures with their own special abilities. Stripes can predict the future and Goldenshade can see all of the past. Both are kind and want to use their powers to help people. The only problem is, they can only speak in animal language. For the audience's sake, from here on out, I will allow them to translate for you.

*\*Goldenshade and Stripes look at the Narrator and agree\**

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** *\*To audience\** Hi! I'm Goldenshade, and I'm Stripes.

**Narrator:** Okay, please proceed with the story.

**Stripes:** *\*Speaks in animal voice to girls attempting to explain the flyer\**

**Goldenshade:** *\*To audience\** Stripes is saying that they 'have to make sure all three of them attend the ballet lesson in the village because there is trouble brewing' *\*Stripes makes more noises\** She is trying to tell them that she can see the future and there's an evil crow trying to take over the whole mountain!

*\*Stripes sighs and gestures that Goldenshade should try to talk to them. Our other friends still look confused\**

**Goldenshade:** *\*Faces girls and tries to speak but only animal noises come out\**

**Stripes:** Goldenshade is trying to warn them of the past. She is saying that an old crow once tried to rule the village thousands of years ago but didn't succeed. An ancient prophecy says that a descendant of the crow would try to do the same thing and would succeed if he was not stopped by the brave warriors.

*\*Goldenshade has been squeaking throughout, with no success. Finally, she and Stripes share a look and decide to make the group follow them. They usher the girls out\**

**Rosie, Rosita, and Flower:** Woah! I guess we are all going to the ballet class then! Let's follow them!

**Narrator:** And so all of our friends, with Goldenshade and Stripes leading the way, began down the path that would lead them to the ballet training class.

## Scene 6

**Narrator:** Meanwhile, back at the castle, General Ironbeak was already plotting his takeover...

**General Ironbeak:** THERE. I just have to put the finishing touches on this and all will be complete. My plan to turn the city into an army of crows will happen smoothly if I can just find the last ingredient I need for my potion... RASPBERRIES.

**Choco:** I've heard they are really hard to find.

**Ironbeak:** SILENCE. I know they are. It's probably those little punks that are stealing them from my garden.

**Choco:** No I've heard they all disappeared.

**Ironbeak:** Whatever. Choco, your new task is to sit by the window and try to spot a raspberry.

**Choco:** If I could just go outside...

**Ironbeak:** Not gonna happen. Now, I must go work on my plans! *\*With an evil laugh, Ironbeak storms off\**

**Wormy:** Psst. Hey pal. I just heard that conversation. He's not a friendly guy is he?

**Choco:** *\*Shakes head\**

**Wormy:** Well I was going to tell you, today on my adventures, I found a raspberry outside! It's far away in the yard though and I'm too slow to go there alone. If we can find a way to get you outside, do you think you could help me get there faster?

**Choco:** Yes, of course!!

**Wormy:** Okay, I think I have an idea, follow me!

**Narrator:** So Wormy and Choco snuck around the castle and devised their own secret plan of escape, search, and rescue. Wormy had found the control room to turn off the lasers and led Choco there. She just needed help guessing the passcode and then she could show Choco where the raspberry is to use it for good and not evil. Choco, knowing General Ironbeak's favorite numbers by heart, 1,2,3,4, easily guessed the passcode and was able to turn off the lasers and unlock the doors! Very quickly, Choco and Wormy ran to an exit before they were caught.

## **Scene 7**

**Narrator:** Now, we must flashback to our original ballet trainer, Orchid, and her assistant, Rose. While everything else has been happening, Orchid has been helping Rose to master the splits and she has made great progress.

**Orchid:** That's it, Rose! Stretch one more time, and try again. I think you've got it!

**Rose:** I know I've got it this next time. *\*Starts stretching\** Orchid, when do you think others will show up? Will it just be us training and defending the city with ballet forever?

**Orchid:** We have to have faith. I feel it in my bones that trouble is brewing and I know our flyers had to have worked.

**Narrator:** Just then, as if by magic, the old cat and young chipmunk burst through the doors of the ballet studio!

**Goldenshade & Stripes:** *\*Making animal noises and gestures as if they need water, showing through gestures that they've traveled a long way\**

**Orchid:** Uhh... wait. I think I can figure this out. You both walked a long way to be here. From the other side of the mountain. Others are coming. You look thirsty. OH. You need water! Rose, go get them some of the special water that comes from the mountain.

*\*Rose goes and gets water. Brings it back. Goldenshade and Stripes chug the water down\**

**Stripes:** *\*In English\** Wow, that was goooooood.

*\*Others look at Stripes shocked\**

**Stripes:** What, is there something on my face?

**Rose:** We can understand you! Miss cat, you try to speak now.

**Goldenshade:** *\*Clears throat\** Hello, is this thing on?

**Everyone:** Oh my goodness we can understand you!

**Orchid:** I guess all you needed was some special water from the mountain! It has magical qualities.

**Narrator:** Just then, Rosie, Rosita, and Flower burst through the door.

**Rosie:** There you are!

**Rosita:** We lost you!

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** Sorry about that

**Rosie, Rosita, and Flower:** WOAHH! YOU CAN TALK??

**Goldenshade and Stripes:** Long story.

**Stripes:** They are here because they want to learn ballet.

**Flower:** Yeah, we saw this flyer...

**Rose:** Wow! The flyers really worked! They came for training!

**Orchid:** It's great to have you all here. Let me explain how the ancient art of ballet works.

**Narrator:** Orchid spent the next few minutes explaining that ballet is an ancient battle technique that has been used for centuries to defend villages. She told them that as they studied, they would each find a special skill that was unique to them and how that skill would unleash their hidden

powers. This would all come in handy very soon as she senses trouble is brewing and the village will need defending very soon.

**Orchid:** I'm just waiting for a sign.

**Choco and Wormy:** *\*Running into the ballet class, holding a sign that says "HELP"\** HELP!!!

**Rose:** Well that was easy.

**Wormy:** We need help! An evil crow has taken over the big castle and is plotting to take over the city!

**Goldenshade:** Just like the prophecy foretold!

**Orchid:** I knew it. Did you both run here all the way from the castle? That's far away!

**Wormy:** Long story but I ate the last raspberry and it turns out it made me super speedy!! Watch! *\*Zooms around\**

**Choco:** Please help us

**Orchid:** This is why we train! Ladies and gents, ballet class is in session.

**Narrator:** Orchid led the class with help from Rose and began teaching everyone the basic fighting dance moves. They practiced all day and all night. One by one, they each found their special move that unlocked their secret power. Rose's splits could make someone freeze, Flowers turns made her strong, Rosie's plie's gave her the ability to move things with her mind, Rosita's leaps's finally gave her wings the ability to fly, Choco's tondu made the ground rumble and shaky, Wormy's releve made her faster, Goldenshade's pas de chat gave her cat-like reflexes, and Stripes glissade allowed her to create music out of thin air.

**Orchid:** Wow. You all did great. I think we are ready for battle. And you know, I think my foot is feeling better. Give me a few minutes to practice \_\_\_\_\_ so I can heal anyone who is hurt in battle.

**Narrator:** So Orchid practiced and realized she was feeling better and ready to take on the bad guy. With their new powers and feelings of courage, the group headed off toward the castle.

## **Scene 9**

**Ironbeak:** I think my plan is just about complete. Now, I will use Choco to test my invention of turning people into crows. He will be my first crow minion!!! I just have to find him first....

*\*Behind Ironbeaks back, we see the group sneak up on him\**

**Choco:** Think again!

**Ironbeak:** Choco! Who are all these people in MY castle??

**Goldenshade:** This isn't your castle. I know the past and you've never lived here. You stole it!

**Stripes:** Yeah. And I can see the future. We know your plans. The jig is up.

**Ironbeak:** You little punks! You'll never make it out of here. I will use my invention on all of you and turn you into my crow minions!

**Rose:** No way. Prepare to surrender.

**Ironbeak:** NEVER! Bring it on!

*\*A battle ensues between Ironbeak and our ballet fighters. Each person does their special move to help defeat Ironbeak. Eventually, our good guys win and have General Ironbeak surrendered\**

**Ironbeak:** Okay okay, you win. You little punks may have stopped me this time, but I'll be back!

**Orchid:** No way. We hereby banish you from Mysti-mountain to keep it safe.

**Everyone:** *\*Cheers\**

**Stripes:** The future foretells of a new, kind leader. Orchid, it should be you.

**Everyone:** Yes! Please!

**Orchid:** Well, this is a surprise but okay! I will lead with kindness and respect for all. And keep training with ballet to keep our land safe.

**Everyone:** *\*Cheers\**

**Narrator:** And thus, the Battle at Mysti-Mountain was over. Our friends all returned home after banishing General Ironbeak, but promised to return to ballet class weekly to keep practicing their skills.

**Everyone:** And they all lived happily ever after. The end!