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2021

**Echo and Narcissus**

[ Kamma is on the stool as the lights come up]

Narrator - Echo was a nymph and she was very talkative and very energized. Hera cursed her, so that she could only repeat the words of others, because she was caught talking with Zeus. One day, she saw Narcissus, a very handsome man. She fell in love with him but she could not say that to him. So she sat quietly watching him till he said "I love you" and she could repeat it back.

[ Kamma sits staring at her reflection ]

Narcissus - I'm so so beautiful. I love you.

Echo - [ repeats wistfully ] I love you... you... you... you.

Narrator - Narcissus kept staring at himself, never eating or drinking anything. He just kept sitting there. And so did Echo, never moving from her spot, waiting patiently until Narcissus noticed her. They both faded away, Echo leaving nothing but a voice, and Narcissus leaving the narcissus flower or daffodil as we call it today.

[ Kamma reaches under the table and put on her daffodil mask ]

[ bell rings ]

*Finis*

**Pandora's Box**

[ Kaden and Abel and Zac are in front of Mount Olympus, with Zac in the middle, as the lights come up ]

[ the gods form Pandora of clay ]

Narrator - Zeus created Pandora as a punishment for humankind because Prometheus had given them fire, which was meant to be for the gods only. As Pandora was being formed of clay, each god gave her a gift. Zeus gave her curiosity.

[ soft notes play on the glockenspiel and Pandora comes awake ]

[ Zeus gets beautiful box from under his throne ]

Zeus - Pandora, take this, but don't EVER open it!

Pandora - Okay, I will never ever open it.

Zeus - Hermes, please take Pandora down to Earth.

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[ Abel walks with Zac over to the blue table; Abel goes off stage ]

[ Zac sets the box on the table but becomes increasingly tempted to look inside ]

Narrator - Several weeks passed and Pandora was getting more and more curious about what was in the box.

Pandora - I can't stand it anymore!

[ Zac finally opens the box as discordant unpleasant music sounds and blackness pours out ]

Pandora - HELP!

[ Zac slams the box shut ]

Hope - Let me out! Let me out! I will not do any harm. I'm here to help you. I can defeat all those bad things.

[ Zac reopens the box, Michaela pulls on the string, and Hope rises from the box ]

[ bell rings ]

*Finis*

### **The Six Pomegranate Seeds**

[ Michaela and Hazel are off stage; Abel is behind Mount Olympus as the lights come up ]

Narrator - Demeter was the goddess of agriculture and she had a daughter, Persephone. She was always jumping through the forest looking for flowers.

[ Hazel leaps about the room playfully as Michaela checks on all of her plants ]

Narrator - One day Hades came up from the Underworld and fell in love with the beautiful bright Persephone. He kidnapped her and took her down to his dark underground kingdom.

[ Renee grabs Hazel and carries her to the chair by the blue table ]

Narrator - Persephone was devastated and did nothing but cry day and night. Up on Earth, Demeter looked high and low for Persephone. All things upon the Earth ceased to grow in her sadness. The people began to starve without their crops.

[ Michaela flips her cloak to the grey side ]

Narrator - Demeter finally found out that Persephone was kidnapped by Hades. She went to Zeus for his help.

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Demeter - Please, please let my daughter out of the Underworld. Get her out of the hands of Hades!

Zeus - As you wish... on one condition. [ calls ] Hermes!

[ Abel enters ]

Zeus - Hermes, tell Persephone not to eat any of the food of the dead.

[ just at that moment Hazel takes a bite of food ]

[ Abel dashes across the room ]

Hermes - Stop! Don't eat anything! If you do then you won't be able to come back with me!

[ Abel arrives in the Underworld a minute too late ]

[ Hazel gasps in shock ]

[ Abel returns to Kaden and Michaela with the bad news ]

Hermes - I was too late. I was too late. She has eaten the food of the dead. I'm sorry.

Hades - I truly love you, Persephone, and all I want is your happiness. But the rule about the food of the dead is very strict. For six months of the year, one for each pomegranate seed that passed your lips, you must be my queen. For the other six months of the year you may return to the Earth and be with your mother.

[ Hazel runs across the room to Michaela, who switches her cloak to the flowered side ]

Narrator - During the six months when Persephone and Demeter are apart, her mother misses her and the Earth has Autumn and Winter. During the six months when her daughter is with her, Demeter is joyful and all things grow again. That is when the Earth has Spring and Summer.

[ bell rings ]

*Finis*

[ final bows ]