

DAGONET. True, but none can pass the test. (*Referring to KAY.*) Oh, how you strained and grunted when you tried to pull the sword from the stone (*Laughing.*)

KAY. I did not grunt.

DYNADAN. You did, too. And your face turned red. Like this. (*He puffs out his face and holds his breath. KAY smacks him on the butt with the flat of his sword.*) Ow!

KAY. My face did not turn red. Did it?

DYNADAN. No, no, not at all. I was thinking of Dagonet.

DAGONET. My face didn't turn red. (*KAY turns on him, menacingly.*) Oh! When I tried to draw the sword. Yes, yes, it did turn red, very red, just like a big apple (*Puffs out his cheeks and points to them, nodding "yes" vigorously.*)

ARTHUR. They say that even the Green Knight has failed.

SARA. Has everyone in England tried to pull out the sword?

KAY. Every *knight* has, for only noblemen are fit to be king. Whoever is strong enough, shall rule.

MATT (*to SARA*). See? It's just like I told you. Might makes Right.

SARA. Maybe it doesn't matter how strong you are. Maybe the sword is waiting for the right person.

MATT. The *sword* is waiting? And what does it do while it waits? Talk to the rock? "How ya doin', rock?" "Oh, a little muddy, but okay. How 'bout you, sword? Still stuck?" "Yeah. Just waiting for the right person to come along."

SARA. Thank you, Matt. Excellent rock imitation.

MATT. Might makes Right. These guys prove it every time they defeat someone with their weapons.

DAGONET. The boy is right. Whoever's strongest wins. It's simple, and it's beautiful.

SARA. No. Just because you've got a better weapon doesn't mean you're right. The weapons just get better and better

and our problems get worse and worse. Like when Sir Kay hit Dynadan with his sword. It shut him up, but it didn't prove anything. *(To DYNADAN.)* Did Sir Kay's face turn red when he tried to pull out the sword?

DYNADAN. Well, uh, hmm...let me think.

SARA *(to DAGONET)*. Did it?

DAGONET. I wasn't there. And if I was there, I don't remember. And if I do remember, I won't say. But I wasn't there.

SARA *(to KAY)*. I say you did grunt, and your face did turn red. Are you going to hit me, too?

KAY. Of course not. You're just a girl.

SARA. The point is, you can't change the truth by hitting someone. You can't change what's true, and good, and right, no matter how mighty you are.

MATT. Hey, when someone powerful comes along, you have to do what he says. Whoever has the most powerful weapon gets to make up the rules.

SARA. No, it doesn't have to be that way. Right, Merlin? You've seen the future. Am I right?

MERLIN. Hmm...Arthur. What do you think?

ARTHUR. Well, it's a difficult problem, that's for sure. I think...I think...

Right...Not Might.

(MUSIC #8: "ARTHUR'S RIGHT, NOT MIGHT")

ARTHUR *(sings)*.

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