Aroha Script

**Scene 1 (at Cinderella’s home)**

**Narrator:** Once upon a time there was a beautiful young girl named Aroha. She had two nasty stepsisters who were very cruel to her.

**Stepsister 1:** Did you clean the wharepaku?

**Aroha:** Ae, I did.

**Stepsister 2:** Have you finished weaving the welcome mat to the whare?

**Aroha:** Ae.

**Stepsister 1:** And...did you make breakfast?

**Aroha:** Yes, your kai is ready.

**Step mother:** Girls, girls, girls, don’t be so selfish. Aroha, you can look after your sister’s pepe (baby)! Change her nappy!

**Baby:** Waaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaah (fart noise)

**Aroha:** (Holding her nose)Okaaaay.

Mice running around getting nappies, wipes, helping Aroha

**Narrator:** The evil stepsisters and step mother made Aroha do all the hard work.

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**Aroha:** (calling out) Stepsisters! A letter from the marae has arrived for you.

**Stepsister 1:** (fighting) Give it to me! I want to open it.

**Stepsister 2:** (fighting) No! I want to open it.

**Stepsister 1:** & 2: (looking at the invitation card) Look! We are invited to the whanau hangi.

**Aroha:** (crying sadly to herself around the corner) I wish I could go, too.

**Narrator:** The night of the hangi arrived.

**Stepsister 1:** (laughing) Ha, ha! We are going to have a great time at the hangi.

**Stepsister 2:** (laughing) Have a great night working, Aroha.

**Step mother:** (handing baby to Aroha) Here you go Aroha. It is about time you started doing something for your sisters.

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**Narrator:** Suddenly, a fairy appeared.

**Aroha:** Oh my! Who are you?

**Fairy godmother**: I’m your fairy godmother, beautiful Aroha. I am here to help you go to the hangi tonight.

**Narrator:** The fairy godmother waved her magic poi. Aroha’s rags turned into a beautiful piupiu.

**Aroha:** Wow! It’s so ataahua (beautiful).

**Narrator:** On her feet were jandals with a shiny piece of pounamu attached.

**Aroha:** Oh, I love them!

**Narrator:** The fairy godmother turned a pumpkin into an amazing coach and some mice into horses.

**Aroha:** What a lovely coach and handsome hoiho (horses).

**Fairy godmother**: You are ready now, my dear. I will look after the pepe for you. Have fun tonight, but be back by tekau ma rua karaka, or else!

**Aroha:** Okay, fairy godmother! Kia ora.

**Scene 2 (at the hangi)**

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **Welcomed onto the marae music. Kapahaka haka**

**Narrator:** At the hangi, everyone wondered who the beautiful princess was.

**Chiefs wife**: Who is that ataahua (a/tah/hua) princess?

**Chief :** I’ve never seen such a beautiful wahine in my life, except for you, of course, my dear!

**Stepsister 1:** Oh no! The Prince is going to dance with her.

**Stepsister 2:** This is not fair! He was meant to dance with me.

**Prince:** Kei te pehea koe?

**Aroha:** Kei te harikoa au!

**Prince:** Would you like to kanikani with me?

**Aroha:** AE !!

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**Narrator:** The Prince danced every dance with her. Suddenly, the clock began to strike tekau ma rua karaka.

**Aroha:** I must go! Thank you for the dance.

**Prince:** Please stay! (shouting) What is your name?

**Narrator:** Aroha did not answer and ran back to the coach, but she lost one of her jandals on the way. Then, the coach and horses disappeared. Aroha’s beautiful piupiu turned back to rags.

**Aroha:** Oh no! Everything’s gone. My beautiful dress and my pounamu jandals, where are they? Was it a dream?

**Scene 3 (at Aroha’s home)**

**Narrator:** The next day, the Prince set out to find Aroha again.

**Prince:** I want every girl in my whenua (land) to try on this lost pounamu jandal. I must find my princess.

**Narrator:** But the jandal didn’t fit anyone. The Prince then arrived at Aroha’s house.

**Step mother:** (In a loud voice so the sisters hear) Ohhhhhhhhh Helloooo Prince!! Please, do come in!

(**Sisters** come running to the door)

**Stepsister 1:** (throws **baby** to her sister) Good morning Prince. I am so happy that you found my jandal.

**Stepsister 2:** (throws **baby** to her Aroha) It is my jandal. I am the princess you are looking for.

**Narrator:** The nasty sisters tried to fit into the jandal.

**Stepsister 1:** Let me try first!

**Stepsister 2:** No. Your feet are much too big. Give it to me!

**Narrator:** Their feet were much too big. Then the Prince saw Aroha.

**Prince:** Let this girl try.

**Stepsister 1:** But that’s only Aroha.

**Stepsister 2:** She didn’t go to the hangi. The jandal won’t fit her!

**Narrator:** Aroha sat down and tried on the jandal.

**Prince:** It fits!

**Aroha:** It fits!

**Stepsister 1** & **2:** surprised) It fits?

**Prince:** (smiling) You are the one I’ve been looking for! What is your name?

**Aroha:** (smiling) My name is Aroha.

**Narrator:** The Prince had found his princess and they lived happily ever after.

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