**Script for the play “The Little Mermaid”**

**Characters:**

Titania

Grandmother

Poseidon

Prince

Sea witch

Fairy

Narrator

**Song “Who are the Merpeople?”**

There are some people

who live in the sea.

They do not walk

like you and me.

Chorus: They swim like fish.

They’ve got fishtails.

They dance with dolphins,

crabs and whales.

The merpeople make

homes of sand.

(There are some people

who live in the sea.)

And live in the ocean,

in Poseidon’s land.

(They do not walk

like you and me.)

Repeat chorus

Сцена 1. В подводном дворце

 Narrator: There is a great kingdom,

under the sea,

where all the merpeople

live and swim free.

*Выходит Посейдон*

The King of the mermaids,

Poseidon the Great,

has six pretty daughters – *на экране проплывают русалочки*

the youngest is eight.

*Появляется русалочка. С двумя косичками (хвостиками)*

Her name is Titania.

She’s got golden hair.

She likes to hear stories

from Grandmother Fair. *Бабушка читает книгу (сказки)*

Narrator: She tells her stories

of a land far away,

where people don’t swim –

they ‘walk’, as they say.

Titania : When can I see them?

 Can we go now?

Grandmother : When you’re sixteen, dear,

 but not right now!

Narrator: So every night,

 when it’s time to sleep,

 she dreams of this land

 and then falls asleep. *Русалочка засыпает на коленях у бабушки. Расплетает косы (хвостики)*

**Сцена вторая. Русалочка выросла.**

 At last Titania

is sixteen years old.

She goes to the surface

and looks at that world. *Бабушка провожает русалочку на берег моря.*

*Море меняет свои очертания. Появляется берег.*

Titania: This place is magic!

Narrator: She says when she sees *Крики чаек*

the land and the mountains,

the birds and the bees.

Some days later

on a new trip,

the little mermaid

sees a big ship. *Из-за кулис появляется принц, он стоит на носу корабля, смотрит в бинокль.*

A handsome prince

is on deck that day.

Titania loves him

straight away.

**Narrator:**  But when the sun

goes down that night,

the wind gets strong,

the waves get high. *На экране шторм*

The big ship sinks.

The Prince falls down

into the water –

he's going to drown!

Narrator: The mermaid takes him

to the shore.

He’s not in danger

any more.

She looks at him

before she dives.

She wants to be with him,

 and then she cries.

She quickly leaves

 and goes to see

 an old sea witch.

Titania : Can you help me?

Narrator: The sea witch listens

and makes a plan.

Sea Witch : Of course, my dear!

You can marry a man!

Give me your voice.

It’s strong and sweet.

 Then you can have

 your human feet!

Titania : OK. Take it!

I do not care.

I just want him

I think it’s fair.

Sea Witch : But if you ever

come back home,

you’re going to die

and turn into foam.

And if you can’t be

the Prince’s wife,

the price for that

is your sweet life.

Titania : All right! I see!

But I want to try.

And if he doesn’t love me,

then I must die!

Sea Witch : Then drink this potion.

It’s very strong.

And swim to the land

where you now belong.

**SONG “Titania is sad”:**

Titania’s sad.

She looks at the potion.

But how can she leave

Her home in the ocean?

Chorus: It is very hard

to make the choice –

to leave her life

and lose her voice.

She thinks of her Prince

and his beautiful land.

She must have her feet.

She must learn how to stand.

*Repeat chorus*

She must have her feet.

She must learn how to stand.

To leave her life

and lose her voice.

Сцена 2. На суше

Narrator: Titania drinks

the bitter potion,

and says goodbye

to her home in the ocean.

She walks on land.

She’s got her feet.

She finds the Prince –

but she can’t speak.

Prince : I think I know you.

But you can’t speak.

You just look like

the girl I seek.

Narrator: She wants to tell him

everything.

But poor Titania

 can’t say a thing.

 He takes her home

 and gives her clothes,

 He feels sorry that

 she’s got bare toes.

**Narrator:** Titania’s happy

 with her new life.

But the Prince is sad.

He wants a wife. *Может быть достает коробочку с кольцом?*

He loves the mermaid

from the deep blue sea.

But he doesn’t know

where she can be.

One day he brings

a new Princess home.

Prince: I must marry her

and share my throne.

Narrator: Titania now

is very sad.

He doesn’t love her!

She feels so bad!

She walks to the sea

and cries alone.

She has no Prince.

She has no home.

Her mermaid grandma

calls from the sea.

Grandmother : Kill the Prince

 and you can be free!

 Here you are, dear.

 Take this silver knife!

 Use it tonight

 to end his life!

Narrator : Titania cries

and goes to his room.

She cannot end

his life so soon!

She drops the knife

and waves goodbye.

She goes to the beach,

where she must die.

 Titania jumps

 into the water.

 King Poseidon

 can’t save his daughter.

**Narrator:** But look! She floats

above her home!

She does not turn

into white foam!

 The little fairies

 who can fly

 take her away

 into the sky.

Fairy: Because your heart

 is kind and good,

 you can stay with us,

 in our fairy world!

King Posseidon: So all ends well!

She does not die!

The mermaid lives,

up in the sky!