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Scene 3 – The witches' house

There are shelves with ingredients for potions, including bat wings and rats. A large cauldron is placed on a table. STELLA is brewing a magic potion. BELLA is dancing around the room, playing with things she finds on the floor. She's constantly moving on to the next thing that catches her interest.

ELLA enters.

ELLA
Bella! Stella! There's a dragon in Camelot!

BELLA
What?

ELLA
It's real! Down by the old oak tree. He's threatening to wipe out the whole village!

STELLA
A dragon? Perfect! Ella, I have an idea!

ELLA
Oh no.

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STELLA
Oh yes. Finally the time has come.

BELLA
Are we taking over the throne again?

STELLA
This time we will succeed! Let's invite King Arthur to a spa weekend with an eight-course meal and a stay in the King's suite. The Knights of the Round Table are off fighting the dragon and won't know a thing until it's too late. When the King returns after his relaxing weekend, he probably won't even remember how to get back.
I can put on a beard and…

ELLA
It's not going to work.

STELLA
What do you mean?

ELLA
How many times have we tried to take over the throne?

STELLA
(Counts)
Eight, but you know what they say: All good things come in nines.

ELLA
I have *never* heard that. Do you know why we fail every time?

STELLA AND BELLA
(Stare at Ella)

ELLA
We complicate things. *(Pause)* Think simple: What if we make the King drink a forgetfulness potion or transform him into a lizard or something?

STELLA
(Agreeing)
Yes, potions and magic!