

## MAID MARION

- Marian:** (*Noticing the audience*) Oh hello, everyone. I said hello everyone! That's better! I'm Maid Marian.
- Willy:** And I'm Willy Scarlett... Though everyone calls me Silly Willy.
- Marian:** Why do they call you Silly Willy, Willy?
- Willy:** Nooo... they just call me Silly Willy. Oh – (*realising*) Oh, I *am* silly.
- Marian:** Well, we live here in the City of Nottingham. It used to be such a nice place, but since the evil Sheriff of Nottingham got into office, things have gone from bad to worse.
- Willy:** We both live in the castle you see. Marian's uncle, King Richard is off fighting another crusade, and the Sheriff has been left in charge while he's away.
- Marian:** Even worse, the King signed me over and the Sheriff is now my legal guardian too! I've got no rights to do anything!
- Willy:** (*to the audience*) And if Suella Braverman gets her way, *you'll* have no rights either!
- Marian:** I'm glad I've always got you by my side though Willy.
- Willy:** Well we have known each other since we were really, really small. I've got to look out for you! Anyway, you're welcome Marian!
- Marian:** Thanks for being my friend!
- Willy:** *Best friend!*

*They do a drawn-out fist bump routine.*

- Marian, would you like a little bet with me?
- Marian:** What sort of bet, Willy?
- Willy:** Well, I bet you a pound that I can kiss you on the cheek without touching you.
- Marian:** Oh Willy, that's silly! How can you do that?
- Willy:** Bet me a pound and I'll show you how it's done.
- Marian:** Kiss me without touching me?
- Willy:** Yep! Go on then, bet.
- Marian:** Alright then, I bet.
- Willy:** Close your eyes.

*She closes her eyes and Willy kisses her on the cheek. She opens her eyes.*

- Marian:** But you *did* touch me, Willy.
- Willy:** Yes, I know. Here's your pound. But it was worth it!

*They laugh.*