

THE CAT IN THE HAT

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ACT I

(A red-and-white-striped hat sits on a very empty stage. A BOY (JOJO) enters and notices it.)

BOY

Now that is a very unusual hat.
I wonder what's under a hat such as that.
It could be a creature they call the Ga-Zat
Who balances things on his head, 'cause it's flat.
Or a stripe-loving Pipester from Upper Mount Bat.
Or a sort of a kind of a hat-wearing...

(The BOY picks up the hat, and THE CAT IN THE HAT (THE CAT) suddenly appears.)

THE CAT, BOY

Cat!

Oh, The Thinks You Can Think!

START

CAT IN THE HAT:
I can see that you've got quite a mind for your age!

Why, one Think and you dragged me right onto the stage!

Dictated

Keys 1 & 2 *mf*

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+Strgs.

Now, I'm here, there is no telling what may ensue...

...with a Cat such as me and a Thinker like you!

(The CAT begins to "create" the Seussian world of imagination for THE BOY, who will enter this world and become JOJO.)

Bright "4", With Mischief

CAT IN THE HAT:

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Oh, the thinks you can think!

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if you're wil-ling to try... Think in - vi - si - ble ink!

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Or a Gink with a stink! Or a stair to the sky...

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If you o - pen your mind, oh, the thinks you will find

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li - ning up to get loose...

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Oh, the thinks you can think when you think a-bout Seuss!

STOP
(FULL COMPANY now enters)
ALL (except BOY):

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Seuss! Seuss!

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Seuss! Seuss! Seuss! Seuss! Seuss!