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### **"Eve's Mouth"**

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Eve's mouth hurts from trying not to laugh  
At some joke some scholar made  
About her being someone's half  
It was a joke, a lie, exaggeration, a fib  
And now you all believe I came from his rib

She screams at the top of her lungs:  
"I'm whole! I'm body, I'm heart, I'm mind, I'm soul"

Well, Queen Victoria gave her daughter some advice  
As her daughter shook and trembled on her wedding  
night  
Queen Victoria, she said to her daughter:  
"Baby, lie still and think of the Empire!"  
And her husband, though kind and mild  
He never stopped to wonder why she never smiled

Little Red Riding Hood was walking down the trail,  
She was carrying the goodies,  
Thought "They'll go stale"  
So, she ate 'em all up and that was that  
Then, she threw them all up, fear of getting fat  
Cause even Red Riding Hood reads magazines,  
The ones prescribing diets for pre-teens

Now, we've got Cinderella, she's chilling at home  
Quite content with being alone  
She is playing with the mice and singing with the birds  
And they're the only ones who ever heard these words  
She said "I'll get in the damn pumpkin. Do it all right  
Weep and lose my slipper, freak out at midnight  
But there's one thing that the prince might not like  
It's the Fairygod I'm afte, I'm a dyke."

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So we've got Snow White, she's a homemaker of sorts  
Cause she cleans and she cooks and she takes care of  
dwarves

One day, I said "Snow White, go back to school"  
She said "No, I can't, I'd feel like a fool  
You know, it's hard for us women to try to be ourselves  
We spend our whole damn lives taking care of little  
elves

Now, Helen of Troy, they say, launched a thousand  
ships  
With the short of her skirt and the shape of her lips  
And when that old bard lay the blame at her face  
For the rape of a nation  
Wrong time, Wrong place  
Helen simply whispered, "history's our test  
Look between the lines, girls, Read beneath the text."

Now we've got to Rapunzel, she's chilling in the tower  
Waiting for the handsome prince  
She's sapped of all her power  
Finally, one day, the handsome prince in town  
Called up to Rapunzel, "Yo girl, let it down!"  
But our dear Rapunzel was nowhere to be seen,  
Yes our dear Rapunzel had learned something keen  
"All that time alone kinda taught me how to cope,  
So I shaved my head and I made me a rope!"

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She screams.

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