

Ronan's New Hat Dialogue & Logic

Ronan

begin:

= Ronan gives you a shifty look as you approach.

< Are you looking at my hat?

> Uh...

< I thought I saw you looking at it.

> I might have glanced at it.

< It is a stylish accessory and nothing more.

> OK, it's really big.

< Yes, uh, better to impress potential mates.

> Does that really work?

< That is why I am wearing it.

> You don't need to explain why you're wearing a hat to me.

< Do you like it?

> Sure. It's a nice hat, but -

< Oh, uh, it was not you I wished to impress.

> I didn't say I was impressed.

< No, uh, do you know Agatha the leech healer? She is my type of human woman.

> You can just say "woman".

< Maybe leave me alone and ask Agatha if she likes my hat for me?

userchoice

OK. -> yes

Why can't you ask her? -> legsnotworking

I'm kinda busy... -> no

end

no:

> I have things to do, and I'd rather not get involved.

< Fine, then.

= Ronan mutters to himself.

< How do I get these things moving...?

end

legsnotworking:

< I would, but I can't get these legs to work.

> Huh?

< Uh...because I am immobilized by love for the lady Agatha.

> OK, fine. I'll go ask her.

goto yes

end

yes:

< Great.

= Ronan looks at you expectantly.

< Well, get to it, then!

> I'll be right back.

= Ronan mutters to himself.

> How can I get these legs to walk...?

end

askagain:

< Oh, you are back.

< I would prefer if you were gone asking Agatha about my hat.

< So...?

userchoice

Sure. -> yesthistime

I'm still busy, but I thought I heard you mutter something. ->

reallyno

end

reallyno:

< Mutter something?

> About your legs, yeah.

< So what if I did?

< Mind your own business, foul primate.

= Ronan mutters something again. It's quite hurtful.

end

yesthistime:

< Go prove you are useful, then.
< I, unfortunately, will be stuck right here.
end

returnfromagatha

< You really asked her?
> I did.
< It seems you are a dependable human.
< What did she say?
> She doesn't care about the hat, but she could be wooed with gifts.
< Is that so...
= Ronan gives you a dead-eyed stare as he thinks.
< Here is an idea, we get her ingredients to make cheese!
> Cheese?
< Yes, cheese! She is an earthly, do-it-yourself-sort, right?
< She would probably love the means to make her own cheese.
< Go fetch some milk.
> OK. Should I just buy it, or...
< I do not care where you get it.
> Will you reimburse me?
< It is a quest, adventurer. There will be rewards.
= Ronan whispers to himself as you leave.
< Greedy adventurers always wondering "what's in it for me...?"
end

nomilk:

< Do you have the milk?
> Not yet.
< Then why are you talking to me?
end

gotmilk:

< You have the milk?
> I've got the milk.
< You cannot make cheese with milk alone, though.
> I'm aware.
< We will need a cheese-making kit, too.
> I'm not sure I know where to buy one of those.

< Fret not, I happen to know of the location of one.
< In a cave not too far from here.
> In a cave?
< Yes, follow the map marker like a good little adventurer.
end

nocheesekit:

< Back already with the cheese kit?
> No, sorry, can you remind me where to find it?
< It is in the cave marked on your map.
> Thanks.
< Please, do not make me explain it again.
end

yescheesekit:

< A cheese making kit, marvelous!
< Hand it here.
= You hand Ronan the cheese making kit, but he fails to grasp it.
= It breaks against the hard ground.
< What did you do??
> I handed it to you, but you didn't grab it.
< You broke it!
> Do your fingers not work either?
< No more questions.
< Just buy me some cheese.
> For Agatha?
< Yes, of course.
> Don't you want her to make her own cheese?
< I just want to give her *something* at this point.
> OK. Fine.

nocheese:

= Ronan's hat twitches as he speaks.
< Where is it, where is the cheese??
> I don't have it yet.
< What??
= The hat quivers - as if it's angry.
< You dare come to me without cheese??

> What's going on with your hat?
< None of your concern.
< Bring. Me. The. *Cheeeeeeeese!!*
end

yescheese:

= Ronan's hat shakes with excitement.
< Cheese!!!
< At last, my cheese!!
= Ronan's hat shakes more and more violently until a ravenous RAT leaps out from under it.
= Before you can react, the rat takes the cheese and scampers away.
< My heavens, I'm finally free from that blasted rat.
> Was he...
< He was controlling me like a puppet!
> I guess the signs were all there...
> Seems he couldn't get the legs or hands to work properly, though.
< Thank heavens for that.
< Who knows what mischief he would have gotten up to with full control.
< Anyways, thanks.
= You give Ronan a look.
< Yes?
> I spent quite a bit of money and time fetching milk and cheese...
< Well, no one told you to make a deal with a rat.
= You glower at Ronan, fingers dancing on your weapon's handle.
< Oh hah, but, of course, without you, that vermin would still control me.
< So, I am very grateful, yes. Immensely, hah.
< The problem is, I spent all of my money on this hat.
< But, seeing as hats have become risks for rat possession, I shan't be wearing them anymore.
< So perhaps you'd like this hat as compensation?
= You look at the hat - there is a certain special quality to it...
> That'll do.
< Be wary of rats, my friend.
end

Agatha

begin:

< Hello there – are you in need of leech-based medicines?

> No, thank you – I'm here on behalf of Ronan.

< Who?

= You gesture toward Ronan.

> Fella over there with the tall hat.

< Oh, it is quite tall.

> He wants to know if you like the hat.

< It's...fine.

> Does it make you see him as a viable mate?

< What? No, it's just a hat.

< I prefer to be wooed by potential suitors, if it's romance Ronan is after.

> OK, I'll let him know.

< Let me know if you're ever in need of medical care – a leech a day keeps the illness at bay!

> Good to know.

end

talkagain:

< Want I should put a leech on your stomach?

> No...actually I'm not sure why I'm talking to you.

< These leeches aren't going to feed themselves!

end

Cheesemaking Kit Text

readstart:

< A simple cheesemaking kit. "Just add milk," it says.

end