# Rip Van Winkle Narration

#### Scene 1

Up in the Catskill Mountains, a long time ago, there was a small village that was home to a cheerful yet idle man named Rip Van Winkle.

In the village, Rip was known by all the townsfolk for his kindness, and was always willing to share his stories. However, at his home, things were different.

Rip strayed from his household chores and was often scolded by his wife for his carefree attitude as she took on all the housework.

Rip Van Winkle often shrugs off his wife's frustration and finds himself wandering out in the wilderness, seeking relief from his daily troubles within his home and the village.

## Scene 2

One day, Winkle decided to retire to the woods in order to gain some peace from his wife's demands. With him was his loyal companion, Wolf.

The forest, with its towering trees and quiet ambience provided Winkle with the peace he sought. That was until he picked up on a thundering sound alongside laughter coming from deeper in the forest of which he could not stop himself from investigating.

### Scene 3

Winkle, during his search, reached a clearing, along with his companion, Wolf, still by his side. This was where he came across three strangers wearing not the usual attire for the time or place.

The first was a silent and tall man covered with gilded armour that Winkle was not familiar with.

The second was a woman who he recognized to be a knight from the medieval era that he remembered the depictions of from stories he was told when he was young.

And the third was another man who wore an outfit weaved in fabric and a rubber mask covering his entire face. Winkle also noted the strange device around the man's arm.

The three strangers were playing a game which he recognized as nine-pins which he himself was no stranger to.

When Winkle approached the group they were not disturbed by his presence.

Instead they welcomed Rip and invited him to join their game.

Grasping the ball, Winkle's breathing slowed and his mind was calm. He lined up his shot and threw with precision.

All of the stranger's were impressed by Winkle's skill and congratulated him on his victory.

It was after that when he noticed a wooden keg that he only assumed to contain booze, and as a prize the Samurai offered him to drink from it which he accepted graciously.

As the drink touched Winkle's tongue, he almost immediately felt dizzy and felt himself losing his ability to stand.

Winkle then decided to rest against the nearby tree and fell into a deep slumber.

## Scene 4

When Winkle awoke from his rest, it had felt like only a few moments had passed, but he realised that something was wrong.

The winds were calm, the trees were greater and the forest overgrown. It was not but one more moment that Rip felt his wrinkled skin and his hair had greyed.

### Scene 5

Winkle rushed back through the forest, this time without his trusted companion, Wolf.

He had so many questions such as how long it's been and what happened to the strangers he was with.

He barely recognized the way he came as it was all overgrown, but eventually he would find his way back to the village.

## Scene 6

After that, Rip Van Winkle's life changed forever, the world he knew had gone and he had no choice but to accept his new reality.

Following his mysterious encounter, he would settle back into the village with his now-grown children.

Winkle would become a familiar figure as he told stories from a different time at the tavern.

Though it was hard adjusting to his new life, he made do and he learned to appreciate this new world. And so ends the tale of Rip Van Winkle.