FROZEN Part 21

<u>Cast</u>

Hans Anna Kristoff

Kai Miscellaneous (Dignitaries, Guards)

EXTERIOR ELSA'S PALACE – DAWN

Hans and the men tread cautiously towards the castle.

HANS: We are here to find Princess Anna. Be on guard, but no harm is to come to the Queen. Do you understand?

The Duke's thugs exchange a look. Suddenly, a mass of snow rises from the ground behind Hans. It's Marshmallow, Elsa's snow quard.

MARSHMALLOW: Go away!

He slams a fist inches from Hans. Hans deftly dodges out of the way. All of the guards take up arms against Marshmallow, who quickly knocks them over. Marshmallow throws down a guard and his horse, who topple over Hans. Marshmallow raises his foot to stomp on Hans, but Hans barrel-rolls himself to safety. He sees his sword, leaps, and grabs it. Just then, Elsa peeks out the front doors. The Duke's two thugs see her.

DUKE'S THUG: The Queen.

The thugs charge up the stairs.

INTERIOR ELSA'S PALACE — DAY

They guards burst through the ice doors. Elsa flees to the top floor of her palace. The guards pursue. They trap her on the top floor, raise their crossbows.

ELSA: (scared) No. Please.

One of the thugs shoots an arrow right at Elsa. At the last moment she creates an ice wall. It stops the arrow, inches from her face. The thugs reposition to take another shot.

ELSA: Stay away!

Elsa shoots ice at the thugs. They duck out of the way and continue the attack.

THUG: Get her! Get her!

Elsa fights for her life.

BACK OUTSIDE: Hans is nearly crushed by Marshmallow. He rolls away. Jumps to his feet. And with agile might, he slices Marshmallow's leg off with his sword. Marshmallow stumbles back, off balance. And falls off over the cliff, but not before striking Hans. Hans goes over the edge.

REVEAL: Hans clings to the ice steps. His men help him up and they rush into the ice palace.

INTERIOR ICE PALACE — DAY

Elsa is surrounded. It's do or die. In two swift moves, Elsa traps one thug in a cage of spikes that threaten his neck. The other she pushes back with a wall of ice....up against the balcony doors...which BURST and CRACK.

OUT ONTO THE BALCONY.... The balcony doors shatter. The thug is pushed to the edge. He's inches away from falling to his death.

BACK INSIDE: Hans and his men run in. See the destruction and the thugs near death.

HANS: Queen Elsa! Don't be the monster they fear you are.

Elsa snaps out of her rage. She sees the men, frightened, moments from death. She stops. Elsa looks to Hans, overwhelmed, frightened. The wall retreats from the thug on the balcony. The ice spikes lower from the second thug's neck. He takes advantage and aims his crossbow at Elsa's back. Seeing it. Hans runs and pushes the crossbow up just as the arrow releases. The arrow hits the ice chandelier, hanging directly above Elsa. The chandelier comes CRASHING DOWN. Elsa dives out of the way but she falls in the blast. All we see is ice smashing like glass, and all we hear is the sound of it shattering as it rings out. CUT TO BLACK.

FADE IN ON:

Elsa's face as her eyes flutter open. She sits up. She's surrounded by stone.

INTERIOR ARENDELLE, DUNGEON — DAY

Elsa looks to the nearby window. Tries to rush to it. She's pulled taut by giant shackles that fit like iron gloves. She's chained to the wall. Elsa strains to looks out a window...

INSET WINDOW: Arendelle is outside, frozen solid and getting further buried under the ice and snow that is falling.

ELSA: No....What have I done?

Hans enters. He hangs a torch by the door.

ELSA: Why did you bring me here?

HANS: I couldn't just let them kill you.

ELSA: But I'm a danger to Arendelle. Get Anna.

HANS: Anna has not returned....

Elsa looks to the storm with worry.

HANS: If you would just stop the winter, bring back summer...please.

Elsa meets his eyes, desperate.

ELSA: Don't you see...I can't.

Hans sees the sincerity in her eyes.

ELSA: You have to tell them to let me go.

Hans walks to the door. He takes the torch.

HANS: I will do what I can.

He opens the door and leaves. Elsa, distraught, hears cracking. She looks down as her shackles begin to freeze over. The storm outside picks up.

EXTERIOR THE FJORDS — DAY

Sven charges down the mountain with Kristoff and Anna on his back. Olaf slides along beside them, penguin-style. Anna shivers in Kristoff's arms. She's weakening. Kristoff takes off his hat and puts it on her head.

KRISTOFF: Just hang in there. (to Sven) Come on, buddy, faster!

They arrive at the walls of Arendelle. Olaf slides past them, out of control.

OLAF: I'll meet you guys at the castle!

KRISTOFF: Stay out of sight, Olaf!

OLAF: I will!

He disappears into the village streets.

OLAF (O.S.): Hello!

TOWNSWOMAN (O.S.): Ah! It's alive!

- 1) Who did Hans go to Elsa's palace to find? He went to find Princess Anna.
- 2) How did the men stop Elsa?

 Hans knocks the chandelier onto her head.
- 3) Can Elsa bring back summer? *No, she can't*.

