

Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator

SIDE 9 – Queen monologue

(The Queen is talking on a microphone with Astronaut Shuckworth)

QUEEN. I'll take charge of this. I've been listening in. Are you there, Astronaut Shuckworth? This is the Queen. What did you say? I am not the Wizard of Oz. Cut the piffle, Shuckworth! This is a national emergency! How many people are there in that glass capsule up in the sky? Three? Did you say they were floating? In the air?... Floating? What? But of course I knew people float in space. Who's the Queen around here? Oh, my hounds, thank you for asking? Why yes, the hounds are fine.... Wait a minute, don't try to distract me, Shuckworth. Silence! Just tell me what you see. (*in a yell*). Doing a dance? A whistle dance? You mean they are having a party? You're confusing me. Whistle dancing... hmmm... I've never heard of such a thing. Whistle dancing?!?! And, what about the spaceship? They don't have a spaceship? They are in an elevator? An elevator (*thinks to herself*). An elevator... Wait a minute, that's not an elevator, you foolish man! Can't you understand it's a trick! That's an explosive slime machine! The whole thing is going to make a mess of our hotel. They're going to slime our magnificent Space Hotel and B&B! Keep well clear of them, Shuckworth! I don't trust them! Wait for further orders before you do anything.