

Broadways, Into The Woods - Stay With Me

WITCH

What did I clearly say?
Children must listen.

RAPUNZEL

No, no, please!

WITCH

What were you not to do?
Children must see-

RAPUNZEL

No!

WITCH

And learn.

Why could you not obey?
Children should listen.
What have I been to you?
What would you have me be?
Handsome like a Prince?

Ah, but I am old.
I am ugly.
I embarrass you.

RAPUNZEL

No!

WITCH

You are ashamed of me.

RAPUNZEL

No!

WITCH

You are ashamed.
You don't understand.

RAPUNZEL

It was lonely atop that tower.

WITCH

I was not company enough?

RAPUNZEL

I am no longer a child. I wish to see the world.

WITCH

Don't you know what's out there in the world?
Someone has to shield you from the world.
Stay with me.

Princes wait there in the world, it's true.
Princes, yes, but wolves and humans, too.
Stay at home.
I am home.

Who out there could love you more than I?
What out there that I cannot supply?
Stay with me.

Stay with me,

The world is dark and wild.
Stay a child while you can be a child.
With me.