

**THE SKY IS FALLING**  
Adapted by Kitty Higgins

Characters:  
Henny Penny  
Cocky Locky  
Ducky Lucky  
Goosey Loosey  
Turkey Lurkey  
Foxy Loxy  
Chick Pea  
Quack  
Gosling  
Acorn  
Narrators (14)

**Henny Penny:**

What a beautiful day it is. I think I'll scratch for worms in the yard. That nice shady spot under the giant oak tree sure looks nice.

**Narrator 1:**

An acorn falls from the giant oak tree and bonks Henny Penny on the head.

**Henny Penny:**

Owie! Ouch! What was that? Who's there?

Narrator 2:

Henny Penny does not see the fallen acorn on the ground. It has rolled under a nearby bush.

Narrator 3:

She doesn't see anyone around, so she looks up towards the sky to see what has fallen on her head.

Henny Penny:

Oh! No! The sky must be falling, I must find something sturdy to cover my head and go and warn the town.

Chick Pea: What happened? Where are you going in such a hurry?

Henny Penny:

The sky is falling. We must go warn the town.

Narrator 4:

Henny Penny and Chick Pea rush to warn the townspeople. On the way, they find some old rusty pots that have been thrown in the yard and put them on their heads like hats.

Cocky Locky:

For goodness sake, what's all the fuss about? Where are you going in such a hurry, Henny Penny and Chick Pea?

Henny Penny:

The sky is falling and a piece has hit me right on my head.

Chick Pea:

Find something sturdy to cover your head, and come with us to tell the townsfolk.

Narrator 5:

Cocky Locky finds an old, cracked teacup and puts it on like a baseball cap.

Ducky Lucky:

Well, if it isn't the silliest looking hat I've ever seen, Cocky Locky! Now you really don't need a comb!

Quack:

Get it? A comb, like the one on your head? Ha ha!

Narrator 6:

Both Ducky Lucky and Quack laugh very hard at Cocky Locky.

Cocky Locky:

This wasn't my idea! It was that old Henny Penny who thinks the sky is falling. She told me to cover my head and join her in warning the town.

Ducky Lucky:

Henny Penny does seem to have a big lump on the top of her head.

Quack:

Why else would she have that lump? Let's not take any chances.

Narrator 7:

Ducky Lucky and Quack are quick to find some old copper pots by the side of the road and hurriedly secure it to their heads.

Henny Penny:

Come on everyone, keep your heads covered, and we'll go into town to warn everyone.

Goosey Loosey:

Hey, what's going on? A parade? Can we come?

Gossling:

I love parades! Let's go Mama!

Narrator 8:

Goosey Loosey empties the water from a wooden bucket pail and puts it on her head like a bonnet. Gossling does the same.

Gossling:

The sky is falling! The sky is falling!

Turkey Lurkey:

What is this I hear about the sky falling? And where are you guys going?

Henny Penny:

Quick, Turkey Lurkey, the sky is falling, cover your head and come with us to warn everyone.

Narrator 9:

Turkey Lurkey finds a crumpled paper bag and puts it on his head. It's too big and he keeps having to push it back up.

Turkey Lurkey:  
This better not be a joke!

Gossling, Quack, and Chick Pea:  
The sky is falling, the sky is falling!

Ducky Lucky:  
That bag isn't going to keep the sky from  
hitting your head, it's too flimsy.

Narrator 10:  
Turkey Lurkey looks around for a better hat.

Turkey Lurkey:  
This old boot should do the trick.

Narrator 11:  
Turkey Lurkey turns the boot upside down  
and places it on his head. Everyone is so busy  
covering their heads and looking up in the  
sky that they don't notice that Foxy Loxy has  
sauntered out onto the road.

Foxy Loxy:

Well, well, what do we have here?

Henny Penny:

We haven't time for you right now, Foxy Loxy, the sky is falling, and we must go warn the town. They're in danger.

Foxy Loxy:

Why don't you all come with me, and I will show you a shortcut to town.

Ducky Lucky:

It's not a bad idea guys. If we go the regular way we may not arrive in time, and the sky will fall, and we'll all have knots on our noodles.

Turkey Lurkey:

All right, but no tircks, Foxy Loxy.

Narrator 12:

They aren't on the path long when...

Foxy Loxy:

You all must be thirsty, let's stop and have a drink! My den is just off this path.

All the barn animals:

You tricked us!

Narrator 13:

Just then Foxy Loxy lunges at the barnyard animals. They all turn and run as fast as they can back to the farm—pots, pans, pails, and sacks flying everywhere.

Henny Penny:

Whew! That was close!

Narrator 14:

They all sit down to rest in a shady spot under the giant oak tree.

Turkey Lurkey:

Hey! What's this? It's an acorn! I'll bet this is what hit you on the head.

Henny Penny:

Oh, my! You're probably right, I'm so sorry.  
But at least we are all safe!