

Babe in the Woods

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For all that I have learned
For all I have discovered
For all my knowing glances
The counsel I've imparted
I'm still a babe in the woods
Refusing to see this place is a forest of fools

For all my awareness
For all my knowability
For all my good intentions
And my advanced philosophy
I'm still a babe in the woods
Refusing to see this place is a forest of fools

Cinderella took a chance
Snow White used her influence
Red Riding Hood knew what to wear
And Goldilocks, she dared to dare but in the end
They're all just babes in the woods
Living happy ever after in this forest of fools

Thought honestly was noble
Thought truth was my friend
Thought I'd fend off the Big Bad Wolf
Never thought I'd be misled
Oh, I'm just a babe in the woods
Refusing to see this forest of fools

Where is my voice?
(Swallowed by fear)
So much the better to hear you with my dear
Misrepresented and misunderstood
By wolves in sheep's clothing

So what is the moral of these tales so tall
Does anybody really care
Who's the fairest of them all
I remain a babe in the woods
Stumbling through
This place, this forest of fools