

Rise of the Goblin Heroes

A True and Accurate Account by
Zusgut, King of the Goblins in
Absalom

Act V, Scene 1

ENTER

ZUSGUT, CRIMSI, GRENEK, SIATHORN, MITZI (a wolf, not a dog), PIZAZZ, and ULTHUN (a human).

ZUSGUT

(from atop his throne): I see the great heroes have returned! But who is this with you? Speak, brave knight.

ULTHUN

Oh mighty chief of the goblins, whose wit and skill are unsurpassed, I am called Ulthun, Watcher-Lord of Lastwall. Alas, that land has been overrun by undead and is no more!

GRENEK

(hops forward): Is true. Undead everywhere.

SIATHORN

But we helped them escape! The longshanks. Not the undead.

MITZI

Woof!

CRIMSI

I helped collapsed the tunnel behind us. It was great!

PIZAZZ (huffily)

I found people who appreciate my singing. Here, let me show you. (clears throat)

GRENEK

Quiet! Chief's speaking!

(PIZAZZ grumbles.)

ULTHUN (to ZUSGUT)

Please, my lord, we beseech you and ask the help of your mighty tribe. We are but mere humans and lack the cleverness and skill needed to escape the clutches of the undead. Will you aid us?

ZUSGUT

Of course, of course! Crookedtoes, my people, harken to me! Now is the time foretold, the time when the longshanks would come before us in desperate need.

GRENEK

We help too! We know how to fight undead longshanks!

SIATHORN

Yes, Mitzi will tear them apart with wolfish fierceness!

MITZI

Bark!

PIZAZZ

And I will compose a war song to lift our hearts.

(ALL except PIZAZZ groan.)

CRIMSI

No, no, no. We need my catapult!

ZUSGUT

I think we need to hurry; no time for catapults or songs. Prepare for the journey south and into our destiny! Now, WE be heroes!

ALL GOBLINS

(cheering together): We be heroes! We be heroes! We be heroes!