

## 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