

AGE OF EMPIRES 2: EXPAND THE REALM

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INT. CASTLE - DAY

KING is standing in a room.

KING
Bring the peasant woman.

GUARD
Do you mean the Villager?

KING
Isn't that what I said?

FEMALE VILLAGER enters.

KING (CONT'D)
Greetings, Villager with who I have had no previous interactions.

FEMALE VILLAGER
Didn't you get my friend killed?

KING
No idea what you're talking about. Now, I have a job for you. A very important job at that.

FEMALE VILLAGER
We already 'ave a wall. Oh no, 'ave the enemy destroyed a section of it again?

KING
No, it's not about the wall, the wall's fine.

FEMALE VILLAGER
Well that's good, now I can go back to my farm.

KING
No, I've a mission for you. I need you to go out and build a new town center.

FEMALE VILLAGER
Why? The one we've got now is perfectly functional.

KING
I want to expand our borders and a new town center will be crucial to that.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Do I really 'ave to? Can't ye send Anna? No wait, she's dead. 'Ow about Thomas? Oh no, he died in that fire yesterday. Fine, I'll build yer town center, but I want an early retirement afterward.

KING

Retirement? How quaint.

EXT. FIELD - LATER

FEMALE VILLAGER is walking carrying a sack on her back. The castle can be seen in the background. She continues walking until she gets to an area where it's not.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Well, this should be good enough.

FEMALE VILLAGER drops her sack on the ground and removes a hammer from it. She proceeds to hit the ground with it. A town center gradually appears. After she's finished she stands back up.

FEMALE VILLAGER (CONT'D)

Well then, there's that done.

(beat)

What now?

RED SOLDIER

Now you flee for your life.

FEMALE VILLAGER turns to see RED SOLDIER standing within a few paces.

FEMALE VILLAGER

What do you want?

RED SOLDIER

You've built your town center too close to us, the great Franks, and now you will pay for it dearly.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Too close? Last I 'eard you people were no where near.

RED SOLDIER

We've been expanding our borders and building a large army in preparation to attack you puny Britons.

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RED SOLDIER (CONT'D)

(beat)

Although I probably shouldn't have told you that. No matter, I'm going to kill you anyway.

RED SOLDIER raises his sword. FEMALE VILLAGER pulls out a knife.

FEMALE VILLAGER

If you come near me I'll cut you.

RED SOLDIER

What, with that? Ha! I spit on your puny weapon!

RED SOLDIER spits.

FEMALE VILLAGER

'Ay, we've researched sappers, so don't underestimate me.

RED SOLDIER

That only applies to buildings, it will have no effect on me.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Unless you turn into a building.

RED SOLDIER

Granted, but the chances of that happening are very low.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Wait, did you just damage my town center?

RED SOLDIER

No, I've been standing here the whole time.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Well how about ye stop standing there and just go somewhere else. Somewhere outta my sight.

RED SOLDIER

And why should I do that?

FEMALE VILLAGER

Because This 'ere land 'as already been claimed. There, you just damaged my town center again!

RED SOLDIER

I haven't moved. I'm going to destroy your center, but I don't appreciate you saying I've done it when I haven't.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Well get ye gone, villain.

RED SOLDIER

I am no peasant. I'm a knight of the most noble order.

FEMALE VILLAGER

A knight?

RED SOLDIER

Yes.

FEMALE VILLAGER

What do ye take me for?

RED SOLDIER

An enemy and a scoundrel.

FEMALE VILLAGER

You're no more a knight than I am a trebuchet. For one thing, you 'aven't got a horse.

RED SOLDIER

Fine, I may not be a knight, but I am a high ranking soldier.

FEMALE VILLAGER

I don't think so.

RED SOLDIER

Well maybe not high ranking, but I do have men under my command.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Uh-uh.

RED SOLDIER

Fine, I'm the lowest of the low which is why I'm out here.

FEMALE VILLAGER

Peasant.

RED SOLDIER

It's not as if things are better for you.

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RED SOLDIER (CONT'D)
You got sent out on a suicide mission to build a new town center. Granted you succeeded, but it's all for not as I shall destroy it.

FEMALE VILLAGER brandishes her knife.

FEMALE VILLAGER
Just try it. There, you can't tell me you didn't damage it.

Cuts to wide shot with FEMALE VILLAGER and RED SOLDIER with the town center on fire in the background.

RED SOLDIER
I don't know what you're talking about.

The town center collapses. FEMALE VILLAGER looks over at it.

FEMALE VILLAGER
Well, this was all a waste of time.

RED SOLDIER
Now that your pathetic town center has been decimated by the mighty Franks and you shall die.

FEMALE VILLAGER
Fine, but before you kill me, just tell me one thing. 'Ow did you destroy my town center from way over there?

RED SOLDIER
Oh, I didn't do it, I have no idea how that happened. Now, farewell.

RED SOLDIER begins to move towards FEMALE VILLAGER. He is suddenly hit in the face by an arrow. FEMALE VILLAGER turns and looks behind her. There is a GREEN BOWMAN standing in a firing stance.

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