

***The Elixir of Love (Italian: L'elisir d'amore )***

**Gaetano Donizetti, Composer**

**Felice Romani, Librettist**

**Animated Synopsis: Five Minutes**

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## **Synopsis**

### **ACT I**

Set in a farm village, the farmhands and village girls are at the village square. Nemorino, a simple man of the village, looks at Adina from a distance. Nemorino, poor and humble, does to see a way, except his pure love, to win the beautiful and wealthy Adina's hand in marriage.

Adina reads the story of Tristan and Isolde. In the story Tristan wins Isolde's affection with a love potion. Perhaps Adina is offering Nemorino encouragement!

Sergeant Belcore arrives with his soldiers. He flirts with the village girls and then declares his love for Adina and asks her to marry him. She is flattered but refuses the offer.

The farmhands return to work, and Nemorino finds the courage to declare his love for Adina. She laughs at him, telling him she is too young to settle down. Adina leaves.

Dr. Dulcamara arrives with a supply of medicine for sale. Nemorino asks him if he knows of the magic elixir of love with which Tristan won Isolde. Dr. Dulcamara replies that it was he who created it, and he sells a bottle of it to Nemorino.

Nemorino drinks the potion at once, not realizing that it is simply wine. Certain now that he will win Adina's love, Nemorino begins to treat her indifferently. Adina begins to flirt with Belcore and finally agrees to marry him. Orders arrive for Belcore to report to duty at once, Belcore persuades the reluctant Adina to wed that very evening.

## **ACT II**

Adina is annoyed because Nemorino does not seem to care that she shall be marry Belcore! Adina delays signing the marriage contract hope that Nemorino will save her from this marriage.

Nemorino enters and asks Dr. Dulcamara help. He says Nemorino must double the amount of potion and gives him another bottle of wine. To pay for the elixir, Nemorino joins Belcore's regiment and receives an enlistment bonus.

The village girls learn that Nemorino's rich uncle has died, leaving the Nemorino a large inheritance. Nemorino swaggers on stage sure that the two bottles of elixir will win Adina's love.

The girls crowd around the now rich Nemorino though Nemorino is unaware of his inheritance. Nemorino thinks that the village girls are attracted to him because of the elixir!

Adina sees Nemorino with the village girls and becomes jealous. She is now determined to win him for herself.

Nemorino returns, sad at the thought of leaving his village and Adina for the army. Adina joins him and tells him that she has bought back his enlistment papers so that they can be married. All join in praising Dr. Dulcamara and his magic elixir.