

And now he's about to see  
Why I should be queen...

[DIRECTOR'S NOTE: *This is a great time to have a costume pageant or contest.*]

KING and MINISTER enter. KING is unimpressed.

MINISTER: Your majesty, all the eligible maidens from throughout the kingdom have been assembled for your review.

KING: (*Looking them over, and then turning his back to them to speak to MINISTER*) This is all of them? (*MINISTER nods.*) Slim pickings this year, huh?

MINISTER: I'm sorry, your majesty, are you dissatisfied with the selection?

KING: If these are all the eligible maidens from my entire kingdom, I think it's time to conquer some more territory. (*sighs*) You know what, just send them all away. This is pointless.

MAIDENS start to protest. ESTHER pushes her way to the front of the crowd and walks up to KING.

ESTHER: Excuse me, your majesty?

KING: Yeah?

ESTHER: Are you leaving already?

KING: What's it to you?

ESTHER: Look, I get that a lot of these other maidens aren't playing with a full deck of tarot cards, if you know what I mean. But some of us are worth a second look.

**“Take A Chance On Me”**

ESTHER  
If you change your mind  
I'm the first in line  
I could be your queen  
Take a chance on me

If you need me, let me know

Gonna be around  
If you've got no place to go  
If you're feeling down

If you're all alone  
When the other maidens go  
I could be your queen  
Take a chance on me

I would do my very best  
And that ain't no lie  
We could live here happily  
If you let me try

Take a chance on me  
Take a chance on me

You're the king of Persia  
I'm a single woman  
Why don't we get together?  
We don't need a pageant  
Ditch these other maidens  
Get to know me better

'Cause you know I got  
So much that you're looking for  
I'm a girl who can offer more  
It's magic

Don't say that I waste my time  
I can't get you off my mind  
And I think you know  
We could steal the show

If you change your mind  
I'm the first in line  
I could be your queen  
Take a chance on me

If you need me, let me know  
Gonna be around  
If you've got no place to go  
If you're feelin' down