



SAMPLE SCRIPT

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CHARACTERS:

CINDERELLA – Principal Girl
PRINCE CHARMING – Principal Boy
BUTTONS – Comic
FAIRY GODMOTHER – Magical Being
BARONESS – Villain
GRIZELLA – Dame
DRIZELLA – Dame
DANDINI – Prince's Best Friend
BARON – Cinderella's Father
TOWN CRIER – Announcer, cries 24/7
KING – Prince's father
QUEEN – Prince's Mother
TICKETMASTER – Hands out tickets to the ball

FEATURED ENSEMBLE ROLES:

MINI GRIZELLA
MINI DRIZELLA
ROYAL AIDES 1 & 2
PRINCESS CAROL
LADY LOO
COUNTESS DAISY

CHORUS:

**Ghosts, Villagers, Hardup Hall Staff
etc.**

ACTS AND SCENES:

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EXTRACT: ACT 1 SCENE 1: KINGDOM MARKET SQUARE

(As FAIRY GODMOTHER exits the Village is revealed, posters celebrating the PRINCE'S Birthday are on display as people begin to enter)

SONG 1: OPENING NUMBER – UPBEAT & FUN – ENSEMBLE & BUTTONS

BUTTONS: *(Looks at the audience)* Oh, hello there, welcome to our wonderful Kingdom! I see some familiar faces from last year! Did the director not let you out? Jack, how's your back? Meg, how's the leg! Annie, how's your - how's your week been? Good? Good... Anyway, I am Buttons, and I work at Hardup Hall for the Baron and the most wicked, evil woman in the world, the Baroness Hardup *(shivers)* just the mention of her name is enough to make you shiver! I'll have you know, she works me to the bone and because of all the work I have to do I don't have many friends... I said I don't have many friends! *(Awe)* Hang on, do you all want to be my friends? *(Audience hopefully: Yes)* Brilliant! Now, whenever I come on stage I'm going to say, 'hiya friends' and I would love for you all to shout back 'Hiya Buttons' and if you remember I'll tell you one of my classic Buttons jokes! - You know, to make it seem like you're getting your money's worth. Let's practice, wait till I'm off! *(Walks offstage)* I'm off!

CHORUS 1: *(Sniffing)* I wondered what that funny smell was!

BUTTONS: *(Entering)* Hiya Friends! *(Hiya Buttons)* *(Practice a couple of times)* Now we're friends, can you do me a favour? That wicked woman I mentioned, the Baroness when she comes on, I need you to boo and hiss at her! Why? Cause she's horrible, and if you want to know how horrible the Baroness is, ask this lot!

CHORUS: *(Start complaining about her)*

BUTTONS: See, everyone in the Kingdom hates her cause she's scary, mean and she has her fingers in a lot of pies, that's why she's banned from Greggs! *(Beat)* Now to practice your boos and hisses! On the count of three I want you all to give me your best boos, okay! One, two, three *(Audience boos)* oh come on, frighten me! Again, go *(Boo)* Oooh! That's bound to scare her! - Now for the hisses, go *(Hiss)* Perfect, I always find that if you start the show with one long hiss, you don't need another till the interval! - Now back to that despicable Baroness, she has two horrible daughters Drizella and Grizella and they are so greedy, they count deliveroo and Just eat as the emergency services! - But I know what you are all probably thinking, 'But Buttons, why work here if you're so Hard-up working for the Hardups in Hardup Hall?' - Well, one word. Cinderella, sadly the Baroness and the sisters are so mean to her, they make her do all the horrible work around the place and they never let her do anything she wants to! Which is very sad. *(Aw)* Oh, it's sadder than that! *(AW)* Okay, don't take the mick! But me on the other hand, I love her! We've known each other ever since we were kids and I'll let you all in on a secret, I have been in love with her for years! But soon I am going to tell her. After all, what could go wrong?

(CINDERELLA sees BUTTONS and walks over to him)

CINDERELLA: Buttons? What are you doing here?

BUTTONS: *(Flustered)* Welcoming this lot, my new friends, to the Kingdom.

CINDERELLA: That's nice of you Buttons! I'm getting the shopping, ready for when the

sisters and the Baroness get back from their holiday – But I'm so tired! I don't know if I'll get everything done in time!

CHORUS 2: You work so hard Cinderella! You don't deserve to be treated the way the Baroness and her daughters treat you!

CINDERELLA: Well, if I don't, they'd make father do all the work and I don't want that!

CHORUS 3: You're too kind!

BUTTONS: *(Looking around)* Just wondering, why is it so busy today?

CHORUS 4: Haven't you heard Buttons, the Prince is visiting!

CINDERELLA: I heard he's going on a tour around the kingdom today!

CHORUS 5: It's true! I read it in the *(Name of local newspaper)*!

TOWN CRIER: *(Starts crying, making everyone jump, ringing his bell, that doesn't work)*
Hear ye, hear ye.

CINDERELLA: Are you alright Town Crier?

TOWN CRIER: *(Crying)* I'm just doing my job. *(Reads from scroll)* In the next few minutes His Royal Highness Prince Charming, will parade through this very street for his birthday tour. Please be prepared for his arrival, and there is to be no flash photography or flashing – especially you! *(Points to audience member)*, you're on the blacklist, filming or requesting autographs, clapping and cheering is encouraged.

CHORUS 6: I've heard that he's going to have another ball this year, even bigger than the last!

BUTTONS: Another one? I swear his balls get bigger every year!

TOWN CRIER: *(Crying)* Hear ye, hear ye – indeed the do get bigger every year! But be calm everyone to welcome His Royal Highness, Prince Charming.

(EVERYONE ON STAGE LINES UP)

CINDERELLA: Isn't this exciting, Buttons! Getting to see the Prince!

BUTTONS: Oh no it's not!

CINDERELLA + CHORUS: Oh Yes, it is! *(Trying to get the Audience to join in)*

BUTTONS: Oh no it's not!

CINDERELLA, CHORUS + AUDIENCE: Oh yes it is!

BUTTONS: Alright, pipe it down, this isn't a football match!

TOWN CRIER: *(Crying)* Hear ye, Hear ye, His Royal Highness Prince Charming, approaches. *(To audience)* CLAP! CLAP! APPLAUD!

SFX: ROYAL FANFARE

(PRINCE CHARMING enters the stage on a 'horse' DANDINI follows clapping coconut shells together, TOWN CRIER is encouraging audience to clap)

CHORUS: (Get excited)

PRINCE: Woah, plastic horse! (*Dismounts*) Greetings people of... er (*clicks fingers trying to remember, looks at Dandini for help*)

(DANDINI Whispers in PRINCE'S ear)

PRINCE: (*Name of Kingdom*)! It is my honour to be presenting you with my presence on my birthday.

(PRINCE struts around shaking people's hands and being overwhelmed with gifts from members of the CHORUS which DANDINI collects)

PRINCE: (*Reading from a card - monotone*) Thank you all so much for coming to see me on my special birthday! I am so happy to see you all and I look forward to seeing (*Scans their faces*) some of your faces at some point in the future! (*Slaps Thigh*) Come Dandini, we must away!

(PRINCE 'gallops' off on his 'horse' followed by DANDINI clapping the coconut shells together)

CINDERELLA: That's our excitement for today over. Come on Buttons, we best get home!

(THE BARONESS Enters SL as CINDERELLA is about to leave. The CHORUS stay on and jump when BARONESS appears and then scorn at her)

SFX: EVIL MUSIC

BARONESS: (*Spotting Cinderella*) Cinderella? Halt! (*Notice the Audience*) Oh where did they drag you lot from? The set of Jeremy Kyle?

CINDERELLA: Baroness! You're back earlier than I expected!

BARONESS: (*Sarcastic*) Oh well done! (*Seriously*) Cinders, do you care to explain why you're loitering with all these other low life's? Instead of your chores?

(CHORUS begin to get frustrated at the BARONESS)

BUTTONS: Oi! Leave her alone, she's only -

BARONESS: SHUT IT BUTTOCKS!

BUTTONS: It's Buttons!

BARONESS: I don't care! (*Noticing Chorus*) And what are you still doing here, invading my personal space! Go away, haven't you all got anything better to do, like maybe getting a life?!

(CHORUS all reluctantly and go offstage an annoyed fashion and in different directions)

CINDERELLA: Well Baroness, I didn't know you'd be back this early, I was shopping and just leaving when you arrived.

BARONESS: Oh really? What's this then? (*Snatches magazine from Cinderella*) The Prince is due to make an appearance in town this morning to celebrate his birthday! (*Holds it up*) So this is why you're really here! No wonder he didn't stop for very long then, the sight of you would put him off ever coming back here again! (*Laughs*)

(CINDERELLA begins to get upset)

BUTTONS: Now look at what you've done you mean, old, old, old, old, old, old, old, old, hag! *(Tries to console Cinderella)*

BARONESS: Oh Buttocks, please less of the old, I'm just trying to make her more aware of her worth. Now come on you two, back home my darling daughters need help unpacking!

(BARONESS goes to leave but BUTTONS goes up to her face confidently waving his finger ready to have a go at her but gets to intimidated and plays it off by sneezing in the BARONESS'S face then runs off stage, followed by the BARONESS and CINDERELLA)

END OF ACT 1 SCENE 1 EXTRACT



EXTRACT: ACT 1 SCENE 3: THE FOREST

(PRINCE enters onstage with his horse followed by DANDINI clapping coconut shells together)

PRINCE: *(Slightly out of breath)* Gosh Dandini! Do you think those crazy ladies from (crazy town) followed us?

DANDINI: *(Out of Breath)* This far out? I doubt they would even stray this far, Sire.

PRINCE: Good *(looks around)* I'm tired, I think we should rest up here for now.

DANDINI: But Sire, it's your birthday, the King and Queen will be expecting you at the palace soon! And...

PRINCE: *(Interrupting Dandini)* Do you have any idea how hard my life is Dandini? How painful and tiring it is to be a Prince! The troubles I have to go through. The tough decisions I have to make! What's wrong with spending a little time to myself?

DANDINI: You must be joking! *(Laughs in disbelief)* You get waited on hand and foot, anything you want when you want, and I don't think choosing between a blue velvet jacket and a red Egyptian cotton robe is a 'tough decision'!

PRINCE: *(Offended)* It is to me!

DANDINI: Sire, everyone in the Kingdom loves you! What more could you possibly want?

PRINCE: No, everyone in the Kingdom loves me only for my money, my looks, my amazing hair, and the title of being Prince Charming! They don't even care about my personality and who I really am!

DANDINI: What do you mean by that Sire?

PRINCE: I just want to be boring and normal. *(Turns to face Dandini)* A bit like you!

DANDINI: *(Insulted)* Boring? Me? – But I'm not boring! I'm quite the spontaneous sort actually, I had a break recently.

PRINCE: A break? Where to?

DANDINI: The hospital, I broke my toe!

PRINCE: Forget that! Listen, I have just thought of a brilliant idea! My plan is that you and I swap places for the day. See Danni, I need to look and act as normal as possible if I want people to fall in love with the real me, beyond the title. *(pauses)* Gosh, sometimes my genius, it's almost frightening.

DANDINI: It is to me...

PRINCE: *(Trying to be convincing)* Come on... pretty please, It is my birthday after all!

DANDINI: ... Fine! I'll do it.

PRINCE: Yes! Come on then!

(PRINCE AND DANDINI high five then Exit SL then Re-Enter SL wearing each other's

jackets/sashes)

SFX: ELEVATOR MUSIC

PRINCE: *(As Dandini)* Ladies and Gentlemen and everyone else! May I present to you, the New but not quite improved Prince Charming! *(Points arms towards Dandini who looks behind him to try and see who the Prince is pointing at)* No Danny, it's you.

DANDINI: *(Realising)* Oh yeah! *(Slaps thigh like the Prince but it hurts, and then poses like the Prince)*

PRINCE: How do you do, Your Majesty.

DANDINI: *(Clearly not getting it)* Do what?

PRINCE: *(Slowly)* How do you do...

DANDINI: Do what...

PRINCE: Do!

DANDINI: DO?

PRINCE: *(Almost giving up)* Be...

DANDINI: Bee? *(Does bee impression)*

PRINCE: *(Impatient)* No! How are you feeling!

DANDINI: Oh! Well, this jacket is really itchy, and the trousers are a bit snu- *(Realises what the Prince is doing)* Oh, Dandini my best friend, one is divine.

PRINCE: Fantastic! I can't wait to be normal! Here, Let me teach you the thigh slap.

(The UGLY SISTERS Enter SL Wearing Hunting Gear singing, DANDINI and PRINCE can be having a mimed conversation)

GRIZELLA: Hello everybody! Do you like our new outfits!

DRIZELLA: Made specially for our favourite hobby! Any guesses what it is?

GRIZELLA+DRIZELLA: MANHUNTING!

GRIZELLA: *(Nudging Drizella)* Oi, look! Handsome man at twelve o'clock!

DRIZELLA: *(Thinking it's someone in the Audience, picking on one of them)* Oh hello handsome! What's your name? That's a lovely name, I like your shirt, it looks like it's made of boyfriend material!

(GRIZELLA points to the PRINCE and DANDINI and signals DRIZELLA to be quiet. TOWN CRIER enters crying)

TOWN CRIER: *(Up to Dandini)* Oh, Your Highness, I've been looking everywhere for you, the King and Queen are waiting for you back at the palace, they want you to open your presents.

DRIZELLA: Hang on did that crybaby say 'Your Highness'

GRIZELLA: And King and Queen in the same sentence!

GRIZELLA + DRIZELLA: He must be the Prince!

DANDINI: Thank you for the concern, Town Crier, Princ-Dandini and I won't be long. Just a quick birthday stroll.

TOWN CRIER: Of course, Sire, but you are on a bit of a tight sched-. *(see the sisters)* OH MY GOD! MONSTERS! IN THE FOREST!! *(Screams and hides behind Prince)*

(TOWN CRIER Looks at the SISTERS and starts running around screaming/crying hiding behind DANDINI – when the 'panic' stops TOWN CRIER passes out)

GRIZELLA: Monsters? Where? *(Realises)* Oh! We aren't monsters!

DRIZELLA: Be nice, Grizzly, Well, hello Princey! *(Goes up to Dandini)* We were just in the woods, you know, casually manhunting but we definitely didn't expect to bump into you here!

DANDINI: *(Scared)* Hello...And what are your names?

GRIZELLA: Grizella!

DANDINI: I'm sorry, did you say Godzilla?

DRIZELLA: And I'm Drizella.

PRINCE + DANDINI: *(Giving her a handkerchief)* Bless you!

PRINCE: I... er, actually think we best get going now. The Prince has lots to do on his birthday. He's very, very busy...

(PRINCE and DANDINI start walking off)

GRIZELLA: *(Stopping them)* Why not stop with us, we are easy-ly the hottest women this side of *(County)*?

DRIZELLA: Yes, whenever we walk through the streets, we turn all the men's heads!

DANDINI: And their stomachs!

GRIZELLA: What's wrong? Won't be able to handle a woman like me?!

DRIZELLA: You see Princy, I've got something extra that most women just don't have!

DANDINI: That's the bit I'm worried about...

GRIZELLA: We see you're playing hard to get!

DRIZELLA: But we do love a chase!

GRIZELLA + DRIZELLA: So here we come!

PRINCE: Run Dan- Your Highness!

SFX 8: CHASE THEME

END OF ACT 1 SCENE 3 EXTRACT

EXTRACT: ACT 2 SCENE 1: THE PALACE BALLROOM

(The CHORUS are onstage in fancy ballroom attire, entering in pairs as DANDINI & TOWN CRIER are scanning peoples tickets as they enter onstage. There is a large clock in the background)

SFX: FANCY BALLROOM MUSIC

FAIRY: *(Removing her mask)* Welcome back everyone!
Here we are in Act two
Hope you've all gone to the Loo...I have, twice! Fairy Liquid!
Anyway, now you're back from the interval.
So now you're all refreshed,
Let's see how our stories progressed,
I welcome you to this ball,
Where everyone is dancing, one and all!
Let's liven things up, the music is boring!
Look over there, even that guy is snoring! *(Points to someone asleep)*
I'll put a spell on the band
From my powerful hands,
Let's have a jive!
And see this crowd come alive!

SONG 8: FUN OPENING ACT NUMBER – DANDINI, BUTTONS & ENSEMBLE

BUTTONS: Hiya Friends! I was going to tell you all a joke about Deja Vu, but I think you've heard it before! So, how is everyone? Had a good break? Got some drinks? Nice. I've been trying to forget about earlier! But it's so beautiful here, Cinderella would have loved this!

TOWN CRIER: *(Crying)* Greetings people of *(name of kingdom)*. The Prince thanks you all for attending his ball tonight and hopes to meet you all in due course. For now, we welcome the Baron and Baroness of Hardup.

BARONESS: Read this out for me. *(Gives Town Crier a note)*

TOWN CRIER: *(Opens the note)* Give me strength! *(Reads from note)* Please welcome the sexy sisters straight from sunny Skegness, single and more than ready to mingle, that I believe, Grizella and Drizella of Hardup Hall.

(As the SISTERS enter people gasp, someone can throw up, but everyone looks horrified TOWN CRIER stops them before they can curtsy)

TOWN CRIER: Oh no, It's them! Wait there! You need to show us your tickets!

GRIZELLA: My face is the ticket!

DANDINI: Well, we've been given orders to punch the tickets!

(DANDINI goes to punch GRIZELLA, but she moves out of the way and punches DRIZELLA on the and she falls on the floor)

GRIZELLA: One more move like that on my sister, and I'll show you one of my Ninja Farts!

DANDINI: I'm sorry? Ninja Farts?

DRIZELLA: Yeah! They're silent but deadly!

(BARONESS drags the SISTERS away, as they begin to search for the PRINCE)

TOWN CRIER: And now, please welcome their Majesties the King and Queen of *(Name of Kingdom)* and their son Prince Charming.

SFX 14: ROYAL FANFARE

QUEEN: Thank you all for coming to our son's birthday ball tonight. We are so very proud of him for organizing tonight's ball all by himself! So enjoy yourselves and have fun!

EVERYONE: Awwwww!

KING: Let's Rock and Roll! ... I mean Let the celebrations begin!

DANDINI: Your Highness, what's the matter?

PRINCE: The girl from the forest, she's not here, What if she isn't coming?

(THE SISTERS spot the PRINCE and sashay over to him, the PRINCE spots them)

PRINCE: Danny, hide me! Quick *(Hides behind Dandini)*

GRIZELLA: YOU! *(Pointing to Dandini)* Where's the Prince?

DANDINI: I'm sorry but he's had to retire.

DRIZELLA: Retire? I didn't think Prince Charming was that old!?

TOWN CRIER: Everyone, we have one more special guest. Please welcome, Crystal.

TRACK 15: ETHEREAL MUSIC (CINDERELLA ENTERS)

(EVERYONE stops and stares at her as she walks Downstage centre. The PRINCE pushes DANDINI and the SISTERS out of the way to see CINDERELLA)

PRINCE: It's her!

TOWN CRIER: And with that may everyone please get into partners ready for the slow dance...all except for me *(cries more)*

END OF ACT 2 SCENE 1 EXTRACT

EXTRACT: ACT 2 SCENE 2: HARDUP HALL

(CINDERELLA is onstage cleaning and humming to herself joyfully)

(BUTTONS enters SR)

BUTTONS: Hiya Friends! What do you call a pony with a cough? A little horse! *(Sees Cinderella)* Cinderella? You seem awfully happy for someone who had their dream shattered last night? Are you going through some sort of crisis or something? *SFX 40: SONG Reminiscing song: Cinderella (Optional: Prince)*

CINDERELLA: *(Caught Off Guard)* Buttons? What are you doing?

BUTTONS: I was going to ask you the same thing! What are you doing?

CINDERELLA: Oh, Buttons. You're not going to believe this! But I was at the ball last night! And I danced with Prince Charming!

BUTTONS: You're right. I don't believe it!

(BARONESS enters wearing a large obscure hat, looking sad. She enters near the end of Cinderella's sentence)

SFX 20: EVIL MUSIC

BARONESS: What was that, Cinderella?

CINDERELLA: Nothing Baroness.

BUTTONS: Is that a new hat?

BARONESS: Yes, every time I'm down in the dumps, I buy myself a new hat.

BUTTONS: Ah! I wondered where you got it from!

(The SISTERS enter SR bickering)

GRIZELLA: He'll marry me! When he visits, he'll carry me back to the palace himself!

DRIZELLA: No, me! When he gets here, he won't be able to take his eyes off me!

BARONESS: Shush girls. There is room in the palace for the both of you, I'm sure.

BUTTONS: I highly doubt that!

CINDERELLA: Sorry, did you say the Prince is coming to visit?

GRIZELLA: Didn't you hear, the girl who the Prince loved left the ball early and he is searching the entire Kingdom for her.

DRIZELLA: And you know who left the ball early last night.

GRIZELLA + DRIZELLA: We did!

BUTTONS: Yeah, only because you got kicked out!

CINDERELLA: *(Looking hopeful)* Oh! That's amazing!

GRIZELLA: I don't know why you're looking so happy about it.

DRIZELLA: Yeah, you weren't even there.

BUTTONS: Shouldn't you ladies be getting ready for the Prince then?

GRIZELLA + DRIZELLA: Oh Yeah! MUMMY! When is he here? *(Etc)*.

BARONESS: He is due in a few hours.

BUTTONS: That gives you plenty of time to make yourselves look even more ridiculous! *(Back to Cinderella)* Before they interrupted, what were you saying about the ball?

(The SISTERS exit but the BARONESS goes to exit but stays behind after hearing the last half of BUTTONS's line)

CINDERELLA: I was Crystal! I was the one the Prince danced with Buttons.

BUTTONS: Hang on! *(Buttons grabs a mask with eye holes in it and places it on Cinderella's face then keeps removing and replacing the mask)* It was you! How come you never told me?

CINDERELLA: I couldn't reveal my identity. I didn't want the sisters or the Baroness finding out. Come on, let's go for a walk and I'll tell you more.

(BUTTONS and CINDERELLA walk off as the BARONESS takes centre. (FRONT OF TABS)

BARONESS: How interesting. So that little brat did go to the ball after all and fell deeply in love with the Prince! Ugh! How annoying. I can't have her marry the Prince, *(Thinks)* I guess I'll just have to figure out how to get rid of her when he arrives, how about banish her to *(name of rough place)*, too far... send her to Aldi to get lost in the middle isles! Hmmm, no she'll come back with a bunch of random stuff... I could trick her and stall her and lock her up somewhere close to home so she's out of the way for good, I'll soundproof a cupboard, then no one will be able to hear her dreary singing, or crying! *(Laughs)* And when that happens, my wonderful daughters will be the ones to marry the Prince and then I will divorce the Baron and take all his money so I can live in luxury! And once the weddings over we will become the most powerful women in the whole entire kingdom! Ruling over everyone, *(Indicating audience)* including all of you! I'll start by ordering you all to stop making those ridiculous noises every time you see me. It's very immature, you know. *(Evil laughs)* The power is so close I can almost taste it! And when I'm in charge no one will be able to stop me! Oh no they won't! *(Business)*

BARONESS: Who will then, if you're all so clever! Now I better go and get ready for the Prince's arrival, after all I have a marriage to plan and a certain Cinderella's dream to crush! *(Evil Laughs)*

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