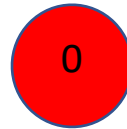


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CHARACTERS

Jacques Javert – Slater-1
Joey Jackson – Josh-2/TBD-3
Ana Fickle – Megan-4/Samantha-5
Alice Jackson – Katelyn-6/Emma-7
Granny Fickle – Kenzie-8/Abby-9
Sheriff Rusty Staples – Jordan-10/Taylor-11
Krissy – Kenzie-15/Camie-12
Brutus – Kyle-13/Spence-14

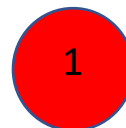


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Pre show
announcement

ALICE (V.O.)

Hey there folks and welcome to Pickleville Playhouse, the most entertainin' family theatre
And now, we invite you to sit back relax and enjoy as Pickleville Playhouse proudly presents: ...

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2-JACQUES

Hello everyone and welcome to my show. I'm not sure it is completely necessary to introduce myself unless you have been living under a rock for ze past... I don't know... since I was born. But if you insist. My name is Jacques Javert: who will give the world a scare. Boo!

(quick improv comment regarding the crowd's reaction to his tagline)

The best way to describe me is this: a perfect combination between like Brad Pitt and little baby Yoda. Sexy and smart. And then they just like took me to a lab and stretched me out like a piece

of taffy to make more of me. And that's why I'm so tall. Anyways, who is ready for rip roaring good time?

Well too bad cuz this show is trash! I'm serious. If it weren't for my improvisational dance skills, I would tell you all to stand up right now and storm out of here like a mormon in a PG-13 movie.

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But please make sure to maintain safe distancing as you exit. Pickleville paid me to say that. Hashtag: Covid. As I was saying...

1-ALICE

Jacques! What the heck are you doing out here?

2-JACQUES

Oh hello, Alice.

1-ALICE

Sorry folks. Sometimes he just wanders out on stage before the show and starts monologuing. My name is Alice Jackson and I'm the one who is *actually* in charge of telling this story.

2-JACQUES

Oh please.

1-ALICE

Thank you for your opinion, but me being the narrator isn't exactly up for discussion. It's kinda like your pants... there ain't no wiggle room!

Alright folks, get ready for one crazy ride, because this story is all about...

2-JACQUES

Hey! You are not the boss of me!

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1-ALICE

During this story, that's exactly what I am!

2-JACQUES

Oh yeah, then why can I do this?

And this?

And this?

1-ALICE

Jacques suddenly froze, stiff as a board!

2-JACQUES

What!? How did you do that?

1-ALICE

And his voice was silenced.

His face became paralyzed.

But just on one side.

What did you say about me not being in charge?

That's what I thought. Jacques waddled off stage like his pants were made of sandpaper.

Alright! Glad we got that little hiccup taken care of.

Go ahead and cue the music!

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4A

THIS STORY

2, 3, 6, 7-ALL

START THE SHOW

1-ALICE

Ladies and gentlemen, welcome to Pickleville Playhouse!

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2, 3, 6, 7-ALL

START THE SHOW

1-ALICE

Please keep your hands, arms and legs inside the ride at all times cause...

HERE WE GO

2, 3, 6, 7-ALL

GO!

1-ALICE

Okay, if you're a bit confused - thinking "Jeez, this story's more difficult to understand than Frozen 2" - don't worry. This song will explain everything!

1-ALICE

SIT BACK RELAX, NOW TAKE YOUR SEAT

WE GOT A STORY THAT CAN NOT BE BEAT

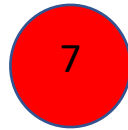
3-JOEY

GOOD TIMES, BAD TIMES, SAD TIMES TOO

RIGHT HERE ON OUR STAGE, GETTIN' READY FOR YOU

1-ALICE

YOOHOO LISTEN
WE'VE GOT A STORY TO TELL
YOOHOO LISTEN
THIS STORY'S ALL ABOUT...



1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-ALL

[AD LIB, i.e.]

3-Joey: My favorite horse, Chester.

2-Ana: True love.

Granny: Abstinence!

Rusty: Obedience to the law.

Jacques: Getting filthy rich.

Brutus: Taco Tuesday.

Krissy: What's happening?

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-ALL

YOOHOO LISTEN
WE'VE GOT A STORY TO TELL

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YOOHOO LISTEN
THIS STORY'S ALL ABOUT *[AD LIB]*

2-JACQUES

I know I'm not the "narrator" but this song is kind of confusing.

1-ALICE

I know I'm not a doctor, but your legs are kind of stringy.

4-KRISSY

LET US EXPLAIN THIS SIMPLE PLOT

3-BRUTUS

WE BREAK THE LAW AND TRY TO NOT TO GET CAUGHT
SKEET DAT DEE
DABA DEE DOT DOO

4-KRISSY

Brutus, stop! Just ... ew!

1, 4, 7-GIRLS

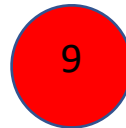
YOOHOO LISTEN
WE'VE GOT A STORY TO TELL

2, 3, 6-BOYS

YOOHOO LISTEN
THIS STORY'S ALL ABOUT

ALL

[AD LIB]



3-JOEY

SADDLE UP FOR A BUMPY RIDE

5-RUSTY

IT'S DANGEROUS NO DOUBT

2-ANA

TAKE THE HAND OF SOMEONE YOU LOVE

4-GRANNY

BACK AWAY FROM HER OR

Z

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-ALL

SHE'LL/I'LL KNOCK YOU OUT
OUT, OUT, OUT
WATCH OUT!

1-ALICE

Now listen up! The story of the Fickle Family Fortune started right here in the town of

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7-ALL

Moolah, Nevada.

1-ALICE

There was a man named Friday Fickle. That's Granny's dad and Anna's Great-Grandpa. He made a FORTUNE from the gold mines here in Moolah - every last penny of which he concealed in a secret vault hidden somewhere in the Fickle Family mansion. Before he died, Friday gave the key to that vault to his son, Saturday, for safe-keepin'. One Saturday night, Friday's son, Saturday, ended up mingling with some questionable characters which led to him wandering home in a terrible storm and giving up the ghost!

He went belly up!

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ALL

He DIED!

1-ALICE

They searched all of his belongings, but the key to the vault was nowhere to be found.

1- ALICE (CONT'D)

Ah! To this day, only three people have ever seen the legendary key to that hidden vault containing Friday Fickle's fortune -- Friday Fickle, Saturday Fickle aaaand...

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2, 6, 7-ALL EXCEPT ALICE

NOW YOU'RE ALL CONFUSED CAUSE THAT WAS TOO MUCH INFORMATION
TOO MUCH WAIT AND SEE

2-JACQUES

AND NOT ENOUGH OF ME

2, 6-BOYS

SADDLE UP CAUSE IT'S A BUMPY RIDE

1, 7-GIRLS

DANGEROUS NO DOUBT

2-JACQUES

GOOD LUCK FIGURING THIS STORY OU-

1-ALICE

So help me Jacques, I'll skin you alive!

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1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 -ALL

YOOHOO LISTEN
WE'VE GOT A STORY TO TELL
YOOHOO LISTEN
THIS STORY'S ALL ABOUT

1, 2,3, 4, 5, 6, 7-ALL

OOPS OH YOOHOO LISTEN
WE'VE GOT A STORY TO TELL
YOOHOO LISTEN

BRACE UP FOR DANGER AND DOUBT
WATCH NOW T'FIGURE IT OUT
CUZ THIS SHOW IS ALL ABOUT

2-JACQUES

ME!

3, 4-KRISSY & BRUTUS

MONEY

5-RUSTY

JUSTICE

15

4-GRANNY

DEATH

9

3-JOEY

CHESTER

2-ANA

LOVE

1-ALICE

I guess we'll see.

ALL

Ya

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EXT. MAIN STREET - ACT I SCENE I

1-ALICE

Scene One. Moolah, Nevada. Daytime. The kind of day that starts out pretty ordinary, but ends up a little... well, you'll see. Aaand... action!

3-JOEY

Okay, I'm goin'. Ya don't have to be so... woooh!

4-RUSTY

And stay out!

3-JOEY

Said only poor people ever. Look at your pathetic little lives. It's depressing. You're both very, very, extremely, horribly sad.

4, 5-KRISSY & BRUTUS

We are?

3-JACQUES

You are.

4, 5-KRISSY & BRUTUS

We are.

3- JACQUES

Of course you are. Now, listen up my young padawans...

SUNNY MONEY

3-JACQUES

BEHOLD A LOATHSOME LAD ARE YE
NO JOYFULNESS TO YOUR NAME
YOU'RE CHEERLESS BROKEN HEARTED AND YOU'RE SAD

4-BRUTUS

I'M SAD I'M SAD I'M SAD OH

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3-JACQUES

BEHOLD A LOATHSOME LASS ARE YE
NO ONE BUT YOURSELF TO BLAME
FOR EVER PIECE OF TRIAL THAT YOU'VE HAD

5-KRISSY

I'VE HAD I'VE HAD I'VE HAD

3-JACQUES

BUT I KNOW THE ANSWER

5-KRISSY

WHERE

4-BRUTUS

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32A

33A

33B

WHERE

4, 5-KRISSY & BRUTUS

WHERE

3-JACQUES

TO CHANGE ANY MOOD AT HAND

I KNOW THAT A JOY BEYOND COMPARE WILL FOLLOW WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND

4-BRUTUS

Understand what?

3-JACQUES

I thought you'd never ask.

3-JACQUES

LIFE IS SUNNY WHEN YOU'VE GOT MONEY
IF YOU'VE GOT CASH YOU'LL NEVER GROW OLD
LIFE IS COOL-A WHEN YOU'VE GOT MOOLAH
KEEP ALL YOUR GOODNESS GIVE ME THE GOLD
FOLLOWING MY PRINCIPLES I'M ALWAYS FRONT OF THE LINE
MEMORIZE THESE PRINCIPLES, I'LL TELL 'EM TO YOU ONE MORE TIME
LIFE IS SUNNY WHEN YOU'VE GOT MONEY
IF YOU'VE GOT CASH YOU'LL NEVER GROW OLD
LIFE IS COOL-AH WHEN YOU'VE GOT MOOLAH
KEEP ALL YOUR GOODNESS GIVE ME THE GOLD

33C

4-BRUTUS

But I've met lots of people that don't have any money and are still really happy.

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3-JACQUES

Brutus, you sound like the beginning of a third-world missionary's homecoming talk.

4-BRUTUS

But...

3-JACQUES

Shhh! You're twenty years old, and you've probably never even heard of saved by the bell. AC Slater? No? Just listen!

3-JACQUES

34A

THE LOWER CLASS IS LONELY
WITH DEBT AND BILLS TO PAY
DISGUSTING TO BELIEVE THEY LIVE THAT WAY
Krissy!

5-KRISSY

THAT WAY THAT WAY THAT WAY OH

3-JACQUES

Very nice!
THEY SLAVE ALL DAY FOR NOTHING
FOR PENNIES THEY ARE STRAPPED
IT MAKES ME SO EXHAUSTED I COULD NAP
Brutus!

34B

35

4-BRUTUS

A NAP OH SNAP OH CRAP OH

3-JACQUES

A nap oh snap oh crap oh?

4-BRUTUS

Uh... yep.

3-JACQUES

Not only were those lyrics the worst, you were also extremely off pitch.

JACQUES and BRUTUS improv a mini-voice lesson.

3-JACQUES

BUT I KNOW THE ANSWER

35A

5-KRISSY

WHERE

4-BRUTUS

WHERE

4, 5-KRISSY & BRUTUS

WHERE

3-JACQUES

TO LIFE AND TO LIVING GRAND
TO LIVE LIKE A KING WITH CASH TO SPARE
IS EASY WHEN YOU UNDERSTAND

4-BRUTUS

Understand what, boss?

3-JACQUES

Are you kidding me, Brutus? I just sang an entire chorus about it.

4-BRUTUS

I'm sorry.

3-JACQUES

Krissy ... you speak dumb. You tell him.

5-KRISSY

What?

3-JACQUES

Five, six, seven, eight.

35B

5-KRISSY

LIFE IS SUNNY WHEN YOU'VE GOT MONEY
IF YOU'VE GOT CASH YOU'LL NEVER GROW OLD

3-JACQUES

Exactly.

5-KRISSY

LIFE IS COOL-AH WHEN YOU'VE GOT MOOLAH
KEEP ALL YOUR GOODNESS GIVE ME THE GOLD

3-JACQUES

Keep going.

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5-KRISSY

MONEY MEANS BIRKS AND SCRUNCHIES GALORE
HYDROFLASKS KEEPING IT COLD

3-JACQUES

A COUPLE OF DAYS AND WE ALL GET A RAISE

3, 5-JACQUES & KRISSY

WHEN WE FIND THE FICKLES' GOLD

3-JACQUES

Now do you understand, Brutus?

4-BRUTUS

I think so.

3-JACQUES

Good. Because it's time for a quiz.

4-BRUTUS

What? No. I can't sing.

3-JACQUES

You can and you will.

4-BRUTUS

But boss...

3-JACQUES

Do it.

4-BRUTUS

Please don't end my-

3-JACQUES

Sing!

4-BRUTUS

LIFE IS SUNNY WHEN YOU'VE GOT MONEY

3-JACQUES

On pitch!

4-BRUTUS

IF YOU'VE GOT CASH YOU'LL NEVER GROW OLD

3-JACQUES

Like a human.

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4-BRUTUS

LIFE IS COOL-AH WHEN YOU'VE GOT MOOLA
KEEP ALL YOUR GOODNESS
GIVE ME THE GOLD

3-JACQUES

Everybody!

3, 4, 5-ALL THREE

LIFE IS SUNNY WHEN YOU'VE GOT MONEY
IF YOU'VE GOT CASH YOU'LL NEVER GROW OLD
LIFE IS COOL-AH WHEN YOU'VE GOT MOOLA
KEEP ALL YOUR GOODNESS
GIVE ME THE GOLD

INT. FICKLE MANOR - ACT I SCENE IV

4-GRANNY

(Something to merv)
'T's open. Come on in!

4-GRANNY (CONT'D)

Who is it?

7-KRISSY

Excuse me dear Sister. We were wondering if we might have a moment of your time.

4-GRANNY

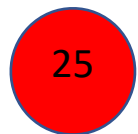
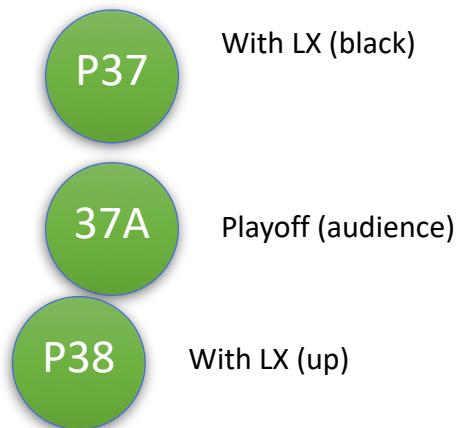
Ya ain't peddlin' that lipesese, are ya?

6-BRUTUS?

No, ma'am.

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4-GRANNY



I feel like a piece of poo.

86B

1-ALICE

Pause! Looks like we went a little too far back. But hey, while we're here, let's play that one more time.

3-JACQUES

I feel like a piece of poo.
87

86C

86D

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1-ALICE

Very good. You can fast forward now.
...And play.

87A

6-RUSTY

...flyin' east over the mountain with a southern wind.

1-ALICE

Pause! Let's just hold it right here for a second.
Yep, that's nice. That's REAAAL nice! Okay, fast forward one

3-JACQUES

Not so fast, little girl. You can't just step in here and force me to do whatever you say.

1-ALICE

We've been over this. Do you need a review?

3-JACQUES

No. Because I have a gun and you do not. And besides, everyone knows that this story is all about...

1-ALICE

Jacques froze. Then Jacques shut his mouth. Then Jacques turned in a circle. Then Jacques did that silly floss dancing thing that he does. He said the word burn several times in a row. He laid on his back and made the sound a cricket. Then he stood up and gave himself a wedgie. And again. And again. And again. ...Want me to keep going?

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3-JACQUES

I think I'm good.

1-ALICE

Okay. Fast forward one more time

88A