

Audition Script “The Prodigal Clown”



Please read and be familiar with all the character readings from the musical. Your child should be able to read the entire audition script, not just a certain character. Make sure they can pronounce all the words in this script and read each character with emotion.

Audition Script:

Sweeper: Oh Hello.....just doin’ a little clean-up here. I usually show up when there’s some kinda mess to take care of, and it looks like somebody has left quite a mess on this street! Now, what’s this? “Come one, come all, and see The Amazing Parabalili Family Circus.” Oh, I know all about them. This is no ordinary circus. They definitely have their share of heartaches along the way. You might benefit from their story....if, you have ears to hear. And speaking of ears to hear, do you hear that sound? Sounds like a parade. If I’m not mistaken, I’d say the circus is coming to town...a very special circus indeed!

Bernie: You visitin’ family?

Giorgio: Nope, ain’t got no family. It’s my first time in the big city.

Bernie: You don’t say. It looks like you could use some help.

Giorgio: Oh Thanks, but I don’t want to bother you.

Bernie: It’s no bother! This is kind of.....our job! When we see a wealthy traveler, our job is to take advantage of the opportunity to help him!

A.J.: Every time I turn around, you were doing some non-clown.....thing. Climbing up on to the high-wire, jumping onto the trapeze....I even saw you trying to sneak into the lion’s cage behind Bruno, but your shoes wouldn’t fit through the cage door. You were making a fool of yourself. Did you hear the audience laughing at you? That has to stop!

Annabelle: What A.J. means, is that they were all laughing for the wrong reasons.

Giorgio: Well big brother, it might be enough for you to just keep doing the same boring thing until you inherit this circus from dad, but I’m tired of all this. I need some excitement, and I’m ready to go find it!

Annabelle: Oh Giorgio, you don’t mean that. This isn’t just your job. This is your *home*.

Giorgio: Home? This place is a circus. I think I’m ready to leave here for good!

A.J.: *Riiight*. And do what? Ride off into the sunset on your tricycle? What a clown.

Annabelle: How could I run the clown troupe without you?

Giorgio: This is my dad’s circus. My big brother gets to manage it. They won’t let me do what I want to do. It’s time to start living my own life.

Annabelle: Giorgio, sometimes we think we know what will make us happy. You think you can have it all, but be careful. You just might lose everything.

