

(YOUNG SIMBA):

102

just can't— wait—

ALL:
Just can't— wait

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ALL:

to be king! _____

(YOUNG SIMBA and YOUNG NALA escape as the ENSEMBLE exits, leaving ZAZU alone onstage.)

ZAZU

Simba! Nala! Oh, you're a royal pain in the tail feathers!
(flies into a tree, then exits dizzily)
Nimba! Sala!

SCENE 6: THE ELEPHANT GRAVEYARD

(YOUNG SIMBA and YOUNG NALA enter laughing. This is a creepy place, but they don't notice.)

YOUNG SIMBA

All right! We lost him! I am a genius!

YOUNG NALA

Hey, genius – it was my idea!

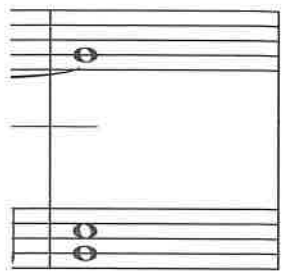
YOUNG SIMBA

Yeah, but I pulled it off!

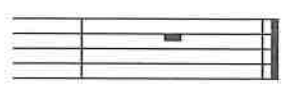
YOUNG NALA

Oh yeah?!

(YOUNG SIMBA playfully leaps for YOUNG NALA and they tussle. She flips him. He lands on his back with a thud and tries to get up, but YOUNG NALA holds him there.)



wait



the ENSEMBLE

ers!

hing. This is a

LA and they tussle.
! tries to get up, but

YOUNG NALA

Pinned ya!

YOUNG SIMBA

Hey, let me up!

(YOUNG NALA does but then flips YOUNG SIMBA again!)

YOUNG NALA

Pinned ya again!

(#9 ELEPHANT GRAVEYARD.)

YOUNG SIMBA

(finally noticing their surroundings)

This is it! We made it!

(A pile of huge, terrifying bones comes into view. The CUBS love it!)

YOUNG NALA

It's really creepy.

YOUNG SIMBA

Yeah. Isn't it great?!

YOUNG NALA

We could get in big trouble!

(ZAZU swoops in.)

ZAZU

I know! That's where I come in.

YOUNG SIMBA, YOUNG NALA

Zazu...

ZAZU

This is waaaay beyond the boundary of the Pridelands. Very dangerous!

YOUNG SIMBA

Danger? Ha! I walk on the wild side. I laugh in the face of danger. Ha-ha-ha-ha-ha!

HYENA VOICES

Hee-hee-hee-hee-hee!!!

(YOUNG SIMBA is startled as three HYENAS slink out of hiding: BANZAI, SHENZI, and ED.)

SHENZI

Well, well, well, Banzai. What have we got here?

BANZAI

Hmmm... I don't know, Shenzi. What do you think, Ed?

ED

Hee-hee-hee!

BANZAI

Just what I was thinkin'. A trio of trespassers.

ZAZU

A simple navigational error, let me assure you. We'll be leaving now.

SHENZI

Whoa! Wait...

(sniffs)

I know you. You're Mufasa's little stooge.

ZAZU

I, madam, am the king's majordomo!

SHENZI

Looks more like the king's major dumbo.

(The HYENAS cackle with laughter. BANZAI approaches YOUNG SIMBA.)

BANZAI

And that would make you...

YOUNG SIMBA

The future king!

SHENZI

Do you know what we do to kings who step out of their kingdom?

YOUNG SIMBA

Huh. You can't do anything to me!

ZAZU

Er... technically, they can. We are on their land.

YOUNG SIMBA

But Zazu, you told me hyenas are nothing but slobbering, mangy, stupid poachers!

BANZAI

Slobbering?

SHENZI

Mangy?

BANZAI, SHENZI

And stupid?!?

ED

Huh?

ZAZU

Oh, my, my, my. Look at the sun. It's time to go!

BANZAI

(grabs ZAZU)

Not so fast, food.

SHENZI

How about some take out?

(grabs YOUNG NALA)

Make mine a cub sandwich!

BANZAI

Time to chow down.

SHENZI

Heads or tails?

ED

Yum yum yum yum yum...

YOUNG NALA

Simba!

(Trying to protect YOUNG NALA, YOUNG SIMBA musters all his courage and tries to roar.)

YOUNG SIMBA

Rr-rr...

(All that comes out is a pathetic squeak.)

SHENZI

That was it?!? Ah-ha-ha-ha!!! Come on, do it again!

(The HYENAS laugh menacingly.)

YOUNG SIMBA

Rr-rr...

(takes a deep breath, then)

Rr-rr!

(YOUNG SIMBA's tiny attempt is replaced by a deafening roar as MUFASA enters and pummels the HYENAS.)

MUFASA

Roar! Roar!!!

SHENZI, BANZAI

(variously)

Ow! Hey! Ouch! Stop! Please! Uncle! We're sorry!

MUFASA

Silence! If you ever go near my son again—

SHENZI

Son? Son? That was your son?

(laughs nervously, to BANZAI)

Did you know that?

BANZAI

Me? No! Did you?

SHENZI

No! Of course not!

BANZAI, SHENZI

Ed?

(ED laughs and nods "yes.")

MUFASA

Roar!

(The HYENAS scamper into the shadows, yipping. YOUNG SIMBA steps forward.)

YOUNG SIMBA

Dad, I—

MUFASA

You deliberately disobeyed me!

YOUNG SIMBA

Dad, I'm... I'm sorry.

MUFASA

Let's go home.

(MUFASA leads the way, ZAZU flapping behind him. YOUNG SIMBA follows, embarrassed.)

afening roar as

YOUNG NALA

(to YOUNG SIMBA)

I thought you were very brave.

(SHENZI, BANZAI, and ED emerge, licking their wounds.)

BANZAI

That lousy Mufasa. I won't be able to sit for a week!

SHENZI

If it weren't for those pushy lions, we'd be running the joint!

ED

Hee-hee-hee....

(#10 SCAR ENTERS. SCAR emerges from the shadows with a scrap of carrion.)

SCAR

Oh, surely we lions are not all that bad.

(The HYENAS gasp... until they recognize SCAR and heave sighs of relief.)

BANZAI

Oh, Scar. It's just you.

SHENZI

Yeah, we were afraid it was somebody important.

BANZAI

Yeah, you know – like Mufasa.

SHENZI

Oh, I just hear that name and I shudder.

BANZAI

Mufasa Mufasa Mufasa Mufasa...

(SHENZI shudders as BANZAI and ED laugh uncontrollably.)

SCAR

I'm surrounded by idiots.

BANZAI

Hey, did'ja bring us anything to eat, Scar old buddy, old pal? Huh?

SHENZI, BANZAI

Did'ja-did'ja-did'ja?

YOUNG SIMBA

im. YOUNG

SCAR

I don't think you really deserve this. I practically gift-wrapped those cubs for you!

(SCAR tosses his carrion to the HYENAS, who dive in and eat voraciously, speaking with their mouths full.)

SHENZI

Well, ya know, it wasn't like they were exactly alone, Scar.

BANZAI

Yeah, what were we supposed to do, kill Mufasa?

SCAR

Precisely.

(#11 BE PREPARED. SCAR approaches ED, SHENZI, and BANZAI. During the song, more HYENAS enter.)

BE PREPARED

Freely **SCAR:**

I ne - ver thought hy - e - nas es -

sen-tial; you're crude and un-speak-a-bly plain. But

may - be you've a glim-mer of po - ten - tial if

A Tempo

al- lied with my vi- sion and brain.

wrapped those

in and eat

scar.

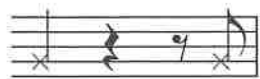
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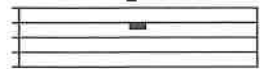


plain. But



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11 SCAR:

HYENAS:

Hem— hem— hem— hem.

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know that your pow'rs of re - ten - tion are as

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wet as a wart-hog's back - side. But

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thick as you are,— pay at - ten-tion! My

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words are a mat - ter of pride. It's

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clear from your va - cant ex - pres-sions the

HYENAS:

fp Ooo— hah hah hah.

25 (SCAR):

lights are not all on up - stairs. But

(HYENAS):

fp Ooo— hah hah hah.

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we're talk-ing kings and suc - ces-sions; e - ven

Hah hah hah hah hah hah

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you can't be caught un - a - wares!

SCAR,
HYENAS:

hah! Let's pre -

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pare for the chance of a life - time. Be pre -

33

pared for sen - sa - tion - al news. A

But
ah hah.

e-ven
ah hah

SCAR,
HYENAS:

Let's pre-

Be pre-

A

SHENZI:

35
And
shin-ing new e - ra is tip-toe-ing near - er.

SCAR:

37
where do we fea - ture? Just lis-ten to teach - er! I

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know it sounds sor - did, but

HYENAS:

Hah hah hah hah

40
you'll be re - ward - ed when at last I am giv - en my

hah hah hah hah hah hah hah hah

42 (SCAR):

dues and in - jus-tice de - li - cious - ly

(HYENAS):

hah hah hah hah hah hah hah hah

44

squared. Be pre - pared!

hah! Be pre - pared!

BANZAI

Yeah! Be prepared. We'll be prepared!
(confused)
 For what?

SCAR

For the death of the king.

BANZAI

Is he sick?

SCAR

No, fool! We are going to kill him. And Simba, too.

SHENZI

Great idea! Who needs a king?

SHENZI, BANZAI

(chanting)
 No king, no king! La la la la la!

SCAR

Idiots! There will be a king!

li - cious - ly
hah hah

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12

BANZAI

But you said—

SCAR

I will be king! Stick with me and you'll never go hungry again!

SHENZI

All right!

BANZAI, SHENZI

Long live the king!

HYENAS

Long live the king!!

58 **SCAR, HYENAS:**

So pre - pare for the coup of the cen -

60 **SCAR:**

t'ry. Be pre - pared for the mur - ki - est

HYENAS:
Ooo

62

scam. Me - ti - cu - lous plan - ning, te -

la la la. We'll have

64 (SCAR):
 na - ci - ty span - ning, de - cades of de - ni - al is

(HYENAS):
 food, lots — of food! We — re -

66 sim - ply why I'll — be king un - dis - put - ed, re -

peat: end - less meat!

68 spec - ted, sa - lut - ed, and seen for the won - der I

70 am. Yes, my teeth and am - bi - tions are

Hah hah hah hah hah hah

al is
re -

t-ed, re -

n-der I

ions are
hah

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bared. Be pre - pared!

hah. Be pre - pared!

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Yes, our teeth and am - bi - tions are

Yes, our teeth and am - bi - tions are

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rall.

bared. Be pre - pared!

bared. Be pre - pared!

(A cacophony of HYENA laughter as ALL exit. #12 NIGHTFALL.)