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## **Audition Central: Chitty Chitty Bang Bang JR.**

### **Script: Toymaker**

#### **Side 1**

**CHILD CATCHER**

There are children in here. I can smell them.

**TOYMAKER**

Children in a toy shop? Don't be absurd.

**CHILD CATCHER**

My nose is never wrong. I can smell their blood and when I find them you will have made your last toy.

*(SOLDIER 1 and SOLDIER 2 enter.)*

**SOLDIER 1**

We've found the car - hidden under the bridge.

**SOLDIER 2**

The Baron wants you back at the castle immediately.

**CHILD CATCHER**

My nose must have been mistaken. There are no children here.

#### **Side 2**

**TOYMAKER**

Sir, madam, I don't know who you are or what you're doing here, but take my advice and get out of Vulgaria.

**POTTS**

My father has been kidnapped by the Baron and Baroness. We came to get him out and that's what we're going to do. Please show us the way to the castle.

**TOYMAKER**

If I don't finish this toy for the Baron's birthday tomorrow he'll have me shot.

**POTTS**

All right, I'll go myself. Truly, you stay here with Jeremy and Jemima.

**TOYMAKER**

No, listen. There is a way, a secret way. It's past the hidden children.

**TRULY**

Children?

**TOYMAKER**

Those we have managed to hide. They're in the sewers under the castle.

**POTTS**

Take me there.

**TOYMAKER**

*(to TRULY)*

You'll be safe as long as you stay in my shop. The Child Catcher has been here already, he'll be looking elsewhere.

**TRULY**

Promise me you'll be careful.

### Side 3

**TOYMAKER**

These are our children. The ones we've been able to hide.

*(A few HIDDEN CHILDREN rush into the room with leftover food from a banquet in the castle.)*

**CHILDREN**

Food! Food! Food!

**TOYMAKER**

They run up the drains and steal what food they can from the kitchens.

**TOBY**

Excuse me, Mr. Toymaker. Have you got any toys?

**TOYMAKER**

No toys this time, Toby. I've been too busy. It's the Baron's birthday. But listen, that means there'll be lots of leftovers.

**MARTA**

Someone's coming!

*(The HIDDEN CHILDREN hide as TRULY enters.)*

**POTTS**

Truly! What happened? Where are the children... ?

**TRULY**

They've been taken-

**POTTS**

What?!

**TRULY**

By that horrible creature, the Child Catcher. He tricked them-

**POTTS**

Where are they? <sup>[L]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>

**TOYMAKER**

They'll be in the castle by now.

**TRULY**

What are we going to do?

**POTTS**

We're all going to break into the castle.

**TOYMAKER**

That's impossible, the children will be caught.

**POTTS**

Yes, totally impossible if we carry on like this.