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Audition Central: Disney's Newsies JR.

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SIDE 1

JACK

I ain't gonna see no more of my pals beat up and tossed into jail. No matter how many days we strike, your father ain't givin' up. I don't know what else we can do.

KATHERINE

Ah. But I do.

JACK

No, I'm through. No way.

KATHERINE

Really, Jack? Really? Being boss doesn't mean you have all the answers - just the brains to recognize the right one when you hear it.

(JACK is at a loss for words.)

JACK

Okay, I'm listening.

KATHERINE

The strike was your idea. The rally was Davey's. And now my plan will take us to the finish line.

(KATHERINE takes a piece of paper from her pocket and hands it to him.)

JACK

(reading)

"The Children's Crusade"? Now, there's a headline!

KATHERINE

(snatches it back and reads)

"For the sake of all the kids in every sweatshop, factory, and slaughterhouse in New York, I beg you... join us." With those words, you challenged our whole generation to help each other!

JACK

I can't believe it, I mean people like you would never give me the time of day, and here you are, taking up the banner. Why?

KATHERINE

We all need something to believe in, Jack. I believe in this story. I believe in you. And so do the newsies.

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SIDE 2

KATHERINE

Good morning, everyone.

NEWSIES

(glumly)

Hi. / What's so good about it? / Good morning.

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KATHERINE

Would you get a load of these glum mugs? Can these really be the same heroes who made front page of the New York Sun?

ROMEO

Front page of what?

(The NEWSIES rush towards KATHERINE and snatch the paper.)

HAZEL

"Newsies Stop The World" - now, there's a headline even Albert could sell!

RACE

Would you lookit? Dat's me!

ROMEO

Wait till my old man gets a load of dis. I won't be last in line for the tub tonight.

DAVEY

(to KATHERINE)

You got us in the pape?

KATHERINE

You got yourselves in the pape. Where's Jack? Did they take him to The Refuge?

HAZEL

He got away.

RACE

Can we please just drink in this moment? I'm famous!

PIGTAILS

How much does bein' famous pay?

RACE

Ya don't need money when you're famous. They gives ya whatever ya want gratis!

END