

THE COOTIE REBEL

A Short Musical

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CHARACTER BREAKDOWN

Character	Age
IMPATIENT <u>ZERO</u> A sick teenager.	Teen

SET DESIGNS

Page	Location	SET props
1	Bedroom	BED TELLY waste picker laptop phone remote

MUSICAL NUMBERS

Title	Character	Instruments
Mono	ZERO	Trombone Tuba Drum Set

MONO

[Bedroom]

(ZERO lies in bed.)

ZERO

SICK. SLUMP. AS I LAY IN BED.

(Grabbing the waste picker.)

STICK.

(Attempting to use the waste picker to grab the remote but pushing the remote off.)

CLUMP.

(Getting up.)

WELL I WAS IN BED.

(Picking up the remote.)

PICK.

(Returning to bed.)

JUMP. TELLY IN MY HEAD. NO WONDERS OF WHAT SCHOOL IS LIKE OR WHAT FOOD TASTES LIKE... LEAD.

(Pressing the remote.)

CLICK. PUMPED. COME ON STEREO.

(Pressing the remote.)

FLICK.

(Expressing terror.)

JUMP. HORROR IS REAL DULL.

(Pressing the remote.)

PRICK.

(Dropping the remote.)

DUMP. HATE HAVING MONO.

ZERO (cont.)

(Pulling out the laptop.)

AT LEAST NO HOMEWORK.

(Opening up the laptop.)

OH, MY EMAIL INBOX IS REAL FULL...

(Sneezing.)

AH... CHOO! PISSED. THIS IS JUST A TEST.

(Examining the laptop.)

DUE. THIS. TOMORROW. I GUESS.

(Shutting off the laptop.)

SCREW. MISS. TEACHERS ARE A MESS. I REALLY DO NOT HAVE THE TIME. CAN'T EVEN PUT UP A RHYME.

(Dismissing the laptop.)

WHAT CAN ONLY BE 'NOTHER SIGN THAT MONO IS BEST.

(Reminiscing.)

A HUH. KISS. THAT WAS SO WORTH IT.

(Pulling out the phone.)

BUT BLISS. AN-THING BUT DISTANT. JUST. WISH. I COULD HAVE HIT SEND. WHAT GOOD WOULD I BE IF WE WERE JUST TO ONLY STAY FRIENDS. LUST.

(Dismissing the phone.)

TWIST. DISEASE WAS PRESENT. TRUST. RISK. IT JUST WAS SO TENSE. WHAT. IS. THE MATTER WITH ME.

(Hiding away themself.)

I WILL JUST LIE HERE AND PONDER WHAT I HAVE DONE, DESCEND...

(Sneezing.)

AH... CHOO!

(Getting up.)

DONE. THINKING 'BOUT CUTIES.

(Peeking outside.)

ZERO (cont.)

COOL. SUN. HERE FEELS LIKE CUST-DY. DO. RUN. SHARE ALL
THIS COOTIES. NOT AWAY WILL I REMAIN STOWED. FACE THIS
DISCOURSE I HAVE JUST SOWN. VIRUS WILL GROW. THE WORLD
WILL KNOW. I'LL NOT STAY MONO!

Fin

MONO

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Vivace

ZERO

Sick. Slump. As I lay in bed. Stick. Clump. Well I was in bed. Pick. Jump. Tel-ly in my head.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

7

No won-ders of what school is like or what food tastes like... Lead. Click. Pumped. Come on ste-re-o.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

11

Flick. Jump. Hor-ror is real dull. Prick. Dump. Hate hav-ing mo-no. At least no home-work. Oh, my e

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

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16

ZERO

mail in-box is real full...

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 16 through 20. The ZERO part is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#). The lyrics 'mail in-box is real full...' are written below the staff. The Trombone and Tuba parts are in bass clef with the same key signature. They play a melodic line that starts with a half note G#4, followed by a quarter note F#4, and then a series of eighth notes. The Drum Set part is in a standard drum notation, featuring a consistent eighth-note pattern on the snare and a steady bass drum accompaniment.

21

ZERO

Ah Choo! Pissed.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 21 through 25. The ZERO part is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps. The lyrics 'Ah Choo! Pissed.' are written below the staff. The Trombone and Tuba parts are in bass clef with the same key signature. They play a melodic line that starts with a half note G#4, followed by a quarter note F#4, and then a series of eighth notes. The Drum Set part is in a standard drum notation, featuring a consistent eighth-note pattern on the snare and a steady bass drum accompaniment.

26

ZERO

This is just a test. Due. This. To-mor-row I guess. Screw. Miss. Teach ers are a mess.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

Detailed description: This block contains the musical notation for measures 26 through 30. The ZERO part is in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps. The lyrics 'This is just a test. Due. This. To-mor-row I guess. Screw. Miss. Teach ers are a mess.' are written below the staff. The Trombone and Tuba parts are in bass clef with the same key signature. They play a melodic line that starts with a half note G#4, followed by a quarter note F#4, and then a series of eighth notes. The Drum Set part is in a standard drum notation, featuring a consistent eighth-note pattern on the snare and a steady bass drum accompaniment.

31

ZERO

I real-ly do not have the time. Can't e-ven put up a rhyme. What can on-ly be 'no-ther sign that mo-no is best. A

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

35

ZERO

huh. Kiss. That was so worth it. But. Bliss. An thing but dis- tant. Just. Wish.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

40

ZERO

I could have hit send. What good would I be if we were just to on ly stay friends. Lust. Twist.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

44

ZERO

Dis-ease was pre-sent. Trust. Risk. It just was so tense. What. Is. The mat-ter with me.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

49

ZERO

I will just lie here and pon-der what I have done, de- scend.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

54

ZERO

Ah_____

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

59

ZERO

Choo! Done. Think-ing'bout cu-ties. Cool. Sun. Here feels like cust-dy. Do. Run.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

64

ZERO

Share all this coo-ties. Not a-way will I re main stowedEace thisdis-courseI have just sown.

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set

67

ZERO

Vi - rus will grow. The world will know. I'll not stay mo - no!

Trombone

Tuba

Drum Set