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Betty and Veronica in "HAIL TO THE CHIEFS" PART 1

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GOLDA MEIR AND MARGARET THATCHER COME TO MIND!
AND DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE MORE FEMALE SENATORS AND GOVERNORS IN THIS COUNTRY THAN EVER BEFORE?
AND THE NUMBER OF WOMEN IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES HAS DOUBLED IN THE LAST DECADE...
OKAY, OKAY, I GET YOUR POINT!
THERE COULD BE FUTURE FEMALE POLITICIANS IN THIS VERY CLASSROOM!
I WOULDN'T DOUBT IT!
SO...
THIS IS HARDER THAN I THOUGHT!
I KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN!
I ALWAYS THOUGHT RUNNING THE COUNTRY WOULD BE COOL!
BUT WHEN YOU THINK OF ALL THE RESPONSIBILITY...
PRESIDENT COOPER, YOU HAVE A MEETING WITH THE HEAD OF THIS PET ORGANIZATION...
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YES, I'M GOING TO INCREASE OUR BUDGET FOR MORE PET SHELTERS ACROSS THE COUNTRY!
BUT YOU'VE BLOWN OUR BUDGET ALREADY!
YOU GIVE TOO MUCH TO TOO MANY GROUPS!
I CAN'T HELP IT! I WANT TO HELP SO MANY PEOPLE!!
THAT'S NICE, BUT YOU'VE GOT TO CUT BACK SOMEWHERE!!
WELL, I CAN'T CUT THIS PROGRAM!
AND I CAN'T CUT THIS ONE!
WHAT'LL I DO?
WHERE'S THE FIRST HUSBAND?
RIGHT HERE, DARLING!
OH, ARCHIE, THIS JOB IS TOUGH!

I KNOW!
EVERYBODY'S CALLING YOU "PRESIDENT PUSHOVER" SINCE YOU GIVE IN TO EVERY GROUP AND CAUSE!

PRESIDENT COOPER, IT'S TIME FOR YOUR PRESS CONFERENCE IN THE ROSE GARDEN!
BUT BETTY! WE HAVEN'T HAD ANY TIME TOGETHER!

SORRY! MY COUNTRY AWAITS!
I'M THE ONLY ONE NOT GETTING ANY SPECIAL ATTENTION FROM HER!
POOF!!
OH, BROTHER! WHAT A SOB STORY!

PERFECT BETTY COOPER GIVES ALL FOR HER COUNTRY!!
MAN, WHAT A PATSY OF A PRESIDENT YOU'D MAKE!

DO YOU THINK YOU'D DO BETTER?
OF COURSE!

I'M DECISIVE, FORCEFUL AND OPINIONATED!
I'D GET THINGS IN TIP TOP SHAPE!
HOW'S THIS COLOR, PRESIDENT LODGE?
IT'S STILL NOT RIGHT!

AND THOSE DRAPES AREN'T GOING TO WORK, EITHER!
PRESIDENT, YOU HAVE A MEETING IN TEN MINUTES WITH CONGRESS!

IT'LL HAVE TO WAIT!
I HAVE TO COORDINATE THE RE-DESIGN OF THE WHITE HOUSE!

AFTER ALL, ALL EYES ARE ON THIS PLACE NOW!
CAN'T THE FIRST HUSBAND MANAGE THIS?

ARE YOU KIDDING? THAT'S WHY I'M REDOING ALL THIS!

BECAUSE OF THE BIG KLUTZ, I HAVE TO REFURNISH THIS PLACE!
WHOOPS!!

HE MEANS WELL, THOUGH!
GEE, THANKS!

PRESIDENT LODGE, YOUR MEETING!
OKAY, OKAY! LET'S GO!

OH, NO! WHAT HAPPENED TO THE SECRET SERVICE'S CLOTHES?
I SPIFFED THEM UP A BIT!

AREN'T THEY THE COOLEST?
YEAH, IF WE WERE AT A NIGHTCLUB...

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Betty and Veronica in "HALL TO THE CHIEFS" PART 2

YOU KNOW, RON, MAYBE IF YOU TOOK BOTH OF OUR STRONG POINTS *TOGETHER* WE COULD HEAD THIS COUNTRY!!

YOU HAVE A POINT! WE'D SORT OF KEEP EACH OTHER IN CHECK!
GOOD IDEA!

PRESIDENT LODGE AND VICE-PRESIDENT COOPER! I LIKE THE SOUND OF THAT!

HEY! WHAT'S WRONG WITH PRESIDENT COOPER AND VICE-PRESIDENT LODGE?
HMPH!!

WHAT IF WE WERE CO-PRESIDENTS WITH EQUAL POWER?
OKAY! I CAN LIVE WITH THAT!

BUT WHAT ABOUT THE FIRST HUSBAND?
WE DON'T NEED ONE!

WE'RE STRONG, INDEPENDENT WOMEN! WHO SAYS WE NEED A HUSBAND?!
ARCHIE COULD SERVE AS ONE OF OUR SECRET SERVICE AGENTS!
BUT LET'S KEEP THE OLD OUTFITS!
OH, OKAY!

PRESIDENTS LODGE AND COOPER ... YOU HAVE A PRESS CONFERENCE IN FIVE MINUTES!

OKAY!
WE'RE ON OUR WAY!!

REMEMBER TO KEEP YOUR EYE ON ME, MR. SECRET SERVICE MAN!
OH, THAT WON'T BE HARD, MA'AM!

HONESTLY, BE PROFESSIONAL, VERONICA!
THIS IS NO PLACE TO FLIRT!

GIGGLE!!

WHAT DO YOU CALL WHAT YOU'RE DOING?
JUST BEING FRIENDLY!

...AND THAT'S WHY WE CAN'T AFFORD A TAX CUT RIGHT NOW!
ANY MORE QUESTIONS? MAKE IT QUICK!!

GREEAKK!
WHAT'S GOING ON?

THE PLATFORM IS BREAKING!
SWOOSH!

WOW! THE SECRET SERVICE WAS RIGHT THERE TO PROTECT US!
ALL BUT ONE!

SO HOW ABOUT YOU AND I HAVE A LITTLE DINNER LATER?
WELL, I...

GET READY FOR SOME PRESIDENTIAL PUNISHMENT...

WHERE'S MY PROTECTION?
KICK!
BOFF!!
WOW!! BEING PRESIDENT WOULD BE AN AWESOME RESPONSIBILITY!!
YOU SAID IT!

BUT YOU KNOW WHAT'S EVEN MORE DIFFICULT?
MANAGING LIFE WITH ARCHIE?

YOU SAID IT!
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Betty in WINDOW of OPPORTUNITY

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BETTY COOPER! HAVE YOU HEARD A WORD I'VE SAID?!
HUH? WHAT'S THAT, MS. GRUNDY?
I'M SURPRISED AT YOU, BETTY! IT'S NOT OFTEN I HAVE TO SCOLD ONE OF MY BEST STUDENTS FOR DAYDREAMING IN CLASS!
I'M REALLY SORRY, MS. G! I GUESS I'M SUFFERING FROM A CASE OF SPRING FEVER!
I WAS STARING OUT THE WINDOW AND I LOST MY CONCENTRATION!

BEAUTIFUL PRINCESS! ARE YOU A DAMSEL IN DISTRESS?

YES! PLEASE RESCUE ME, MY BRAVE KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR!

OOPS! THERE I GO AGAIN! I CAN'T SEEM TO CONTROL MYSELF!
I CAN'T RESIST GAZING OUT THE WINDOW ON A BEAUTIFUL SPRING DAY!
Hmmm...
Sigh!
LA LA LA LA LA LA...
GASP! I'VE GOT TO SNAP OUT OF THIS! I CAN'T LET SPRING FEVER GET THE BEST OF ME!
THIS IS SCHOOL! I'M HERE IN CLASS TO LEARN! I HAVE TO PAY STRICT ATTENTION TO THIS IMPORTANT LECTURE ON MEDIEVAL TIMES!

RIVERDALE SCHOOL
ISN'T THAT RIGHT, MS. GRUNDY? UH, MS. GRUNDY?
SIGH!

LA LA LA LA LA LA...

W-WHAT?/ OH! RIGHT, BETTY! ABSOLUTELY!
MAYBE IF I MOVE MY SEAT AWAY FROM THE WINDOW I WON'T BE SO PRONE TO SPRING FEVER!
POOF

I DON'T THINK THAT WILL HELP, BETTY! JUST TRY TO CONCENTRATE UNTIL CLASS IS OVER. WE'LL REVIEW THIS MATERIAL SEVERAL TIMES!

AFTER ALL, SPRING FEVER DOES AFFECT EVERYONE AT ONE TIME OR ANOTHER... AND I DO MEAN EVERYONE!
LA LA LA LA...
END

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Veronica in Drama Queen!

PART ONE

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BECAUSE I'M GOING TO AUDITION FOR THE DRAMA CLUB'S "ROMEO AND JULIET"!
YAWN!! HOW EXCITING!!

COME WATCH ME TRY OUT!
OKAY! I'VE GOT NOTHING BETTER TO DO!

SO...
"MY EARS HAVE NOT YET DRUNK A HUNDRED WORDS OF THAT TONGUE'S UTTERANCE, YET I KNOW THE SOUND: ART THOU NOT ROMEO AND A MONTAGUE?"

VERY NICE, BETTY!
JULIET IS THE LAST PART TO CAST, AND YOU HAVE AN EXCELLENT SHOT!

GOOD LUCK, BETTY! I HOPE WE GET TO WORK TOGETHER!
WALLAPALOOZA!!!

WHO IS MR. SCRUMPTIOUS UP THERE?
THAT'S JACQUES! HE LANDED THE PART OF ROMEO!

HE DID ?!
WOW! I WOULDN'T MIND SHARING A STAGE WITH HIM!

AND IF NOBODY ELSE IS HERE TO TRY OUT...
AHEM! I'D LIKE TO TRY OUT!

WHAT ? YOU'RE NOT EVEN *FAMILIAR* WITH THE LIKES OF SHAKESPEARE!
HOW HARD COULD IT BE ? LET'S SEE THAT SCRIPT!

" DO NOT SWEAR AT ALL, OR, IF THOU WILT, SWEAR BY THY GRACIOUS SELF, WHICH IS THE GOD OF MY *IDIOCY*... "

GIGGLE!! LAUGH!!
CHORTLE!
WHAT'S SO FUNNY?

THAT'S "IDOLATRY," NOT "*IDIOCY*"!
HMPH! WHATEVER!

AND SO...
OKAY, THANK YOU, VERONICA!
I'VE GONE OVER YOUR AUDITIONS!

AND THE PART OF JULIET GOES TO BETTY COOPER!
YAY!!
SNARL!!

DON'T FRET! I HAVE A PART FOR YOU TOO, VERONICA!
WHAT'S THAT?

HMPH! HANDMAIDEN #3?! FORGET IT!
THIS PLAY IS FOR THE BIRDS ANYWAY!!

LATER...
GEE, IT'S TOO BAD! I WOULD'VE LOVED TO HAVE WORKED WITH JACQUES!
MAYBE I CAN STILL GET HIM TO TAKE NOTICE OF MY TALENT!

I HAVE AN IDEA!!

YOU WANT TO STAGE YOUR OWN PRODUCTION OF "ROMEO AND JULIET"?
YES, I THINK THE PLAY DONE WITH A MODERN TWIST WOULD BE EXCITING!!

WELL, I DO ADMIRE YOUR INITIATIVE!!
BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO DO IT ON YOUR OWN TIME!

NO PROBLEM! WE'LL USE MY HOUSE AFTER SCHOOL!
AND I'LL PAY FOR THE SETS!

C'MON, ROMEO! YOU'RE COMING OVER TO MY HOUSE!
HUH?

"MY BOUNTY IS AS BOUNDLESS AS THE SEA!
MY LOVE AS DEEP, THE MORE I GIVE TO THEE..."

SHEESH! WHAT DOES THIS EVEN MEAN?
GOOD THING I'M REWRITING AND UPDATING THIS DIALOGUE!

YOU'RE REWRITING WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE?
I'M SURE HE'D APPRECIATE IT!

SOON...
"ROMEO, ROMEO, WHEREFORE ART THOU, ROMEO?"
SHEESH!
BUSINESS BUZZ

IT'S TEN O'CLOCK ON A SCHOOL NIGHT!
SHOULDN'T ARCHIE BE HOME?

AT LEAST VERONICA'S DOING SOMETHING WORTHWHILE! AFTER ALL, IT'S SHAKESPEARE!
HMM... I SUPPOSE YOU'RE RIGHT!

"JULIET! YOU'RE TOO BEAUTIFUL FOR A GUY LIKE ME!"
"Y'KNOW, ROMEO, YOU'RE RIGHT, DUDE!"

THAT'S SHAKESPEARE?
WELL, SHAKESPEARE WITH A TWIST OF VERONICA!

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Veronica in Drama Queen!

PART TWO

NOW, NOW, DEAR! IT'S IMPORTANT FOR KIDS TO EXPRESS THEMSELVES!
I'M THINKING OF ALL THE OTHER SHAKESPEARE PLAYS SHE HAS YET TO RUIN!

SO, THE FIRST "ROMEO & JULIET" PLAY IS A BIG HIT...
MY VERSION WILL BLOW THIS ONE AWAY!

A COUPLE WEEKS LATER...
WE'RE GOING TO CHECK OUT VERONICA'S VERSION OF ROMEO AND JULIET!

WOW! RON'S BILLING HERSELF WITH SHAKESPEARE!
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WELL, AT LEAST THE SET LOOKS GOOD!
EXIT
I THINK IT'S STARTING!

OH, NO!! JULIET'S ON ROLLER BLADES!
HEY, MY NAME IS JULIET... THE COOLEST IN ALL THE LAND, YOU BET...

SIT TIGHT! WE'RE IN FOR A BUMPY RIDE!!

THE PLAY'S BEEN GOING FOR 20 MINUTES, AND IT'S ALL JULIET WITH NO SUPPORTING CHARACTERS!

OH, HERE COMES ROMEO...
OH, JULIET! WHAT DO YOU SEE IN ME? YOU'RE SO BEAUTIFUL AND I'M SO BLAH!!

BUT I LOVE THEE! YOU ROCK MY WORLD, ROMEO!
HMM! JACQUES IS LOOKING RIGHT AT ME! I WONDER IF HE'S JEALOUS?

WHAT A TRAIN WRECK!!
YOU WANT TO LEAVE, BUT YOU CAN'T TURN AWAY!

AT THE END OF THE PLAY...
LET'S SEE HOW VERONICA HANDLES THE TRAGIC END OF THE PLAY!!
OH, NO!! ROMEO HAS OFFED HIM-SELF! MY BEAUTY WAS TOO MUCH FOR HIM TO HANDLE!

OH, BROTHER!
THERE'S ONLY ONE THING FOR ME TO DO...

"I SHALL NOW BE FREE TO DATE SIR RALPH..."
WHO'S THAT?

"BUT, JULIET! THOU PROMISED ME A DATE!"
WHAT ABOUT ME?

DON'T DESPAIR, I'LL DATE YOU ALL!
HOORAY!!

... SO WHEN ALL LOOKS BLEAK JUST GO OUT AND SEEK, ALL THE BOYS IN YOUR KINGDOM AND THEN SOME...

THE END
WOW! TALK ABOUT COMPLETE SILENCE ...
I THINK EVERYONE'S IN SHOCK...
AFTER THE SHOW...
SO, JACQUES! WHAT DID YOU THINK?
IT WAS... ER... INTERESTING!
A LOT MORE EXCITING THAN THAT DULL OLD VERSION YOU AND BETTY ARE WORKING ON, EH?
ER, RIGHT!!
HI, GUYS! DO YOU HEAR THAT SOUND?
WHAT SOUND?
THE SOUND OF SHAKE-SPEARE TURNING IN HIS GRAVE!
THAT'S NOT FUNNY!!
ACTUALLY, IT IS!
END

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