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Primetime. Commercial Skit #1. "The Loud Librarian" - Fairness (shamelessly stolen from Lori Beth Denberg and the writers of "All That") CHARACTERS: LOUD LIBRARIAN, ADRIAN, BAILEY, COLBY

In a library. At a desk is sitting a librarian with large signs that say things like "quiet!" "Shh!" And "Silence!" At a nearby table, ADRIAN, BAILEY, and COLBY are studying. After a few moments, ADRIAN coughs.

LOUD LIBRARIAN

(The LOUD LIBRARIAN should always be completely over the top, much louder than any action that is prompting her responses. Her normal voice is a shout, and it only gets bigger from there.)

Quiet! This is a library! We can't have coughing like that in a library! Quiet!

ADRIAN

But, I was just coughing.

LOUD LIBRARIAN

Shhh! Did you not hear me? This is a library! You can't be loud in a library!

ADRIAN

I have a cold and I...

LOUD LIBRARIAN

Quiet! Take your sniffing germs and get out of the library! We can have your snotting and coughing bothering people who are trying to study in a quiet library!

(ADRIAN grabs her stuff and runs out of the library.)

LOUD LIBRARIAN (CONT'D)

People just have no respect for the library's rules.

The LOUD LIBRARIAN sits at her desk and gets out a bag of potato chips. She pops the bag explosively. Everyone looks at her. She starts to chomp on them very loudly, mouth open. More disgusting the better. After a moment, the LOUD LIBRARIAN notices a fly buzzing around.

LOUD LIBRARIAN (CONT'D)

A fly in the library! Get out, you stupid fly! Get out!

The LOUD LIBRARIAN rolls up a newspaper and begins chasing the fly around the library, swatting at it, knocking things off her desk, the table with the student's studying, eventually hitting BAILEY

BAILEY

Hey!

LOUD LIBRARIAN

QUIET! This is a library! You can't be loud in a library!

BAILEY

But you hit me!

LOUD LIBRARIAN

Don't make me practice my karate on you!

The LOUD LIBRARIAN goes into a cheesy kung-fu pose, shouting things like "HA!" And "HO!"

BAILEY

But I just want to study...

LOUD LIBRARIAN

Maybe you can't study because you're making too much noise in the library!

I can't study here.

BAILEY

SHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!

LOUD LIBRARIAN

But..

BAILEY

SHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHHH!

LOUD LIBRARIAN

But I....

BAILEY

Quiet in the library!
in the library!

LOUD LIBRARIAN

If you can't be quiet, you can't stay

BAILEY slumps down in seat and tries to start studying. The LOUD LIBRARIAN sits back down at her desk and pulls out a hair dryer and begins doing her hair.

New hair always makes me want to sing...

LOUD LIBRARIAN (CONT'D)

The LOUD LIBRARIAN begins singing a song, loud and off-key (something like "America the Beautiful"). BAILEY and COLBY look at each other.

I can't study like this!

BAILEY

(Louder, to be heard)

Me either!

COLBY

Quiet!

LOUD LIBRARIAN

COLBY

You be quiet! You're being louder than everyone! Shh!

BAILEY

Yeah, you're a bad librarian.

ENDING A (Mack's favorite)

COLBY

Let's get out of here!

BAILEY and COLBY get there stuff and leave as the LOUD LIBRARIAN yells after them, chasing after them with a hair dryer.

END OF ENDING A

ENDING B (Probably more acceptable; definitely more heart warming.)

LOUD LIBRARIAN immediately stops all sound.

LOUD LIBRARIAN

You think I'm a bad librarian?

LOUD LIBRARIAN starts to cry.

COLBY

Great job! You made her cry.

BAILEY

She was being loud!

COLBY and BAILEY look at each other for a moment. BAILEY walks over to the LOUD LIBRARIAN.

BAILEY (CONT'D)

I'm sorry. You're not a bad librarian. You just...you're a little loud sometimes.

LOUD LIBRARIAN
I'll try better to be quiet!

COLBY
Still a little loud. Try again.

LOUD LIBRARIAN
Like this.

BAILEY
Much better! Listen, we've still got some studying to do, so
we're going to get back to work.

LOUD LIBRARIAN
(Loud)
O...
(Softer)
Okay!

END OF SCENE

PRIME TIME SKIT #2. COURAGE. "BEWARE THE LIBRARY DRAGON"
CHARACTERS: EVE, RHONDA, LIBRARY DRAGON

Two tables at a library with a number of people around them studying and reading. A rack of books (or some other wall is used as an easily concealed backdrop. A decorative tree is off to one side. Most of the people have some sort of snack item with them or a drink. After a few moments, EVE walks in with a lot of food (think tray of food from a fast food place or a bunch of snack cakes or something). She sits down and starts eating noisily. After a moment, RHONDA enters.

EVE

Hey Rhonda, over here!

EVE motions RHONDA over to the table.

Want some food?

RHONDA

What are you doing?

EVE

Having a snack; what does it look like I'm doing?

RHONDA

But you're not supposed to eat in the library.

EVE

Please! Stop being such a square. Who's even going to see me?

RHONDA

But...

EVE

Do you want some or not?

RHONDA

What about the library dragon?

EVE

The what?

RHONDA

The library dragon. He eats all the food brought into the library so it doesn't get on the books.

EVE

You're joking.

RHONDA

No, I'm not. That's what my mom told me!

EVE

Whatever. Listen, I need to go grab a book. I'll be right back. Watch my stuff for me, okay?

RHONDA

Sure...

EVE exits. RHONDA looks around, gets a notebook out of her backpack and starts studying. After a moment, the LIBRARY DRAGON appears from behind the wall and sniffs the air. He sniffs again. Finally, the LIBRARY DRAGON spies the food. He sneaks up behind RHONDA and roars.

RHONDA (CONT'D)

Nice joke, Eve, but be quiet. We're in a library.

The LIBRARY DRAGON looks confused. Then, he taps RHONDA on the soldier with his claw. RHONDA turns around and the LIBRARY DRAGON roars again.

You...you're the...the...the...the...

RHONDA keeps stuttering. The LIBRARY DRAGON grabs some of EVE's food and runs away. After a moment, EVE returns.

EVE

Where did my food go?

RHONDA

The Library Dragon took it!

EVE

Rhonda, if you ate some of it, you can just say. It's okay; I don't care.

RHONDA

But it wasn't me! It was the Library Dragon!

EVE

Riiight.

RHONDA

It was, I swear it was.

EVE

Well, I need another drink, so I'll be back.

RHONDA

But...but...

EVE

Try not to eat all my food.

RHONDA

I didn't...

EVE exits. RHONDA looks around. After a moment, the LIBRARY DRAGON enters again.

RHONDA (CONT'D)

You can't eat any more of Eve's food. She'll be mad at me.

The LIBRARY DRAGON looks at RHONDA for a moment and roars.

RHONDA (CONT'D)

Or you could take all the food that you want.

The LIBRARY DRAGON grabs the food and shoves it into his mouth. The LIBRARY DRAGON runs off with the rest of the food and EVE comes back.

EVE

Seriously, Rhonda? All of my food. You totally owe me.

RHONDA

It wasn't me!

EVE

Right, it was the Library Dragon.

RHONDA

It was.

EVE

Rhonda, you don't have to lie to me.

RHONDA

I'm not!

EVE

Listen, I've got studying to do, so let's just forget it.

RHONDA

Okay...

They start to study. The LIBRARY DRAGON sneaks in one more time, creeps up behind EVE. He taps EVE on the shoulder.

EVE

Very cute, Rhonda, but I can tell that claw is you.

I'm over here.

RHONDA

Then who is...

EVE

Eve. Look behind you.

RHONDA

EVE turns around and sees the LIBRARY DRAGON. The LIBRARY DRAGON growls. Both girls scream and run away. The LIBRARY DRAGON sits down, grabs EVE's drink, finishes it, and starts to read.

END OF SCENE

PRIME TIME SKIT #3. DETERMINATION. "READING IS FUNDAMENTAL"

CHILD is reading a book. After a few minutes, the CHILD throws down the book and stomps away from it. After a moment, PARENT walks in.

PARENT

Hey, what's going on?

CHILD

Nothing.

PARENT

You sure?

CHILD

Yeah.

PARENT

Well, what was your book.

CHILD

It was dumb.

PARENT

Well, what made it dumb.

CHILD

It was stupid.

PARENT

Tell me about it.

CHILD

I can't figure out what it's about!

PARENT

Let's take a look at it.

CHILD

I don't want to.

PARENT

We'll read it together.

CHILD

Okay.

PARENT

Come sit down here beside me.

CHILD

Okay.

PARENT

(Reading)

Once upon a time, there was a beautiful princess.

A beautiful PRINCESS walks out.

CHILD

Woah!

PARENT

The beautiful Princess was very happy, growing up in a beautiful kingdom. Her best friend in the whole world was her dog who was named Horse.

HORSE enters. PRINCESS and HORSE pantomime running and laughing.

PARENT (CONT'D)

Late one night, when the princess was asleep, Horse disappeared.

PRINCESS sleeps. HORSE exits.

PARENT (CONT'D)

Nobody knew where he had gone. The Princess was distraught.

CHILD

What's distraught?

PARENT

Distraught means very, very upset.

CHILD

Oh.

The PRINCESS cries.

PARENT

Everyone in the castle looked for Horse, but he was nowhere to be found.

PRINCESS looks around stage.

PARENT (CONT'D)

Late one night, the Princess climbed out her window and left to see if she could find Horse.

PRINCESS looks around to see if anybody's watching and then she climbs out her window and runs across to the forest.

PARENT (CONT'D)

The Princess went into the Magic Forest to see if the Good Witch who lived there would help her find Horse. When she got there, it was night. It was dark and scary.

PRINCESS walks around forest, jumping at a startling noise and looking around her, looking scared.

PARENT (CONT'D)

The Princess looked for hours, but she couldn't find anyone anywhere. Eventually, she was so tired, she fell asleep underneath a large oak tree.

PRINCESS curls up in a ball on the ground and falls asleep.

CHILD

Out in the woods?

PARENT

Right.

CHILD

But wasn't she scared?

PARENT

She was more concerned about finding her friend than being scared of what might happen to herself.

CHILD

Well, what did happen?

PARENT

Why don't you tell me?

CHILD

I can't.

PARENT

Yes, you can. I'll help.

CHILD

(Reading)

When the...Princess...woke up, she was not scared anymore. She was in a...

PARENT

Beautiful.

CHILD

Beautiful forest. She started out again in...search of the Good Witch's house.

(The CHILD's voice starts to fade out.)

PRINCESS

I went on many adventures, and eventually I found Horse. But the real fairy tale is that once upon a time, a parent helped their child read their first book. And that child liked that book so much that they read another book. And another book. Over the years, that child read hundreds of books about faraway lands and brave children and magical creatures. And that child got older, and they became a parent. And they read their first story book together, starting with "Once upon a time..."

END OF SKIT

PRIME TIME SKIT #4. GREED. "THE STORE OF OUTLANDISH PRICES."

The scene opens on a shop with a large amount of random items in it. A SHOPKEEPER is sitting behind the counter. After a moment, a CUSTOMER walks in and starts to browse.

CUSTOMER

(Holding up an item)

How much is this?

SHOPKEEPER

Eight million dollars.

CUSTOMER

What did you say?!

SHOPKEEPER

Eight million dollars.

CUSTOMER

That's insane!

SHOPKEEPER

Hey, nothing's cheap these days.

CUSTOMER

But that's way too much! I'm just a kid!

SHOPKEEPER

That's what it costs.

CUSTOMER

Does it do anything special?

SHOPKEEPER

No. Not really.

CUSTOMER

Then why is it so expensive?!

SHOPKEEPER shrugs.

SHOPKEEPER

So do you want it?

CUSTOMER

No.

SHOPKEEPER

Okay.

SHOPKEEPER puts item away.

CUSTOMER

Do you have anything here that isn't insanely expensive.

SHOPKEEPER

Well, I mean, that over there is only five million dollars.

CUSTOMER

That's still way too much! How is a kid supposed to afford that?

SHOPKEEPER

Oh, you want something a kid could afford, huh?

CUSTOMER

Yes.

SHOPKEEPER

Hmm...I think I have something around here like that.
Something very special.

The SHOPKEEPPER digs around in a pile.
Lo and behold, he finds a PINES card.

CUSTOMER

What is it?

SHOPKEEPER

It's a magic pass to all the worlds that have ever been
imagined and all the people who have ever lived.

CUSTOMER

All of them?

SHOPKEEPER

The most powerful wizards in the world live there. And evil dragons. And mean kings and loving queens. Zombies, vampires, talking toasters...you can find them all with this card.

CUSTOMER

Who can get one?

SHOPKEEPER

Everyone.

CUSTOMER

I bet it's way expensive though.

SHOPKEEPER

Everybody gets a special deal on their first one.

CUSTOMER

What kind of deal.

SHOPKEEPER

Come here.

(CUSTOMER takes a step forward)

Closer.

(CUSTOMER takes another step forward.)

Even closer.

(CUSTOMER is practically touching the SHOPKEEPER)

It's free.

CUSTOMER

Get out!

SHOPKEEPER

I just need to see your parent.

CUSTOMER

Mom, mom, mom, mom!

(CUSTOMER runs out. After a moment, CUSTOMER pulls their MOM onstage.)

MOM

What is the rush?

CUSTOMER

I want a magic card!

MOM

What?

SHOPKEEPER

A library card.

MOM

Oh, okay. What do I have to do?

SHOPKEEPER

Just fill this out.

(SHOPKEEPER gives MOM a form.
As MOM is filling it out,
SHOPKEEPER directs this at
CUSTOMER)

Now, you can borrow any of our books or movies about these places for two weeks at a time and then you have to bring them back so that other children can see them. Then you can get some more.

CUSTOMER

How many can I get?

SHOPKEEPER

A lot.

CUSTOMER

Wow...

MOM

All done!

SHOPKEEPER

(Looking over form)

Everything seems to be in order. So, here you go!

SHOPKEEPER hands CUSTOMER their card.

Sign it and keep it safe so that nobody else can use it.

CUSTOMER

I will.

SHOPKEEPER

So, what do you want to do today?

CUSTOMER

I want it all!

END OF SKIT