



(LIGHTS UP. The cast dances in a conga line across the stage.)

## Dalmatian Conga















### (Four CANINE NARRATORS enter.)

### NARRATOR 1

Once upon a time, in a humble yet loving home beside Regents Park in London, there lived a Dalmatian family...

### **NARRATOR 2**

... who had two lovely pets, Roger and Anita.

### NARRATOR 3

Every day, Roger wrote wonderful songs and Anita painted wonderful pictures. Meanwhile, Nanny kept the house in order.

(NANNY sings and dusts wildly about, even dusting the PUPPIES as they watch television.)

### **NANNY**

LA LA LA LA LA LA LA...

### **NARRATOR 4**

Every night, as Anita and Roger would work and Nanny prepared dinner, the puppies gathered in front of the television to watch there favorite celebrity, Thunderbolt, the Wonderdog!

(Gunfire sounds are heard from the TV.)



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# Thunderbolt Adventure Hour



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### **PENNY**

Go get him, Thunder.

(LUCKY barks.)

**PEPPER** 

After him, boy.

### NARRATOR 1

But their favorite part was really the commercial for their favorite treat!

**LUCKY** 

(barks)

Here it comes everybody! Are you ready?

**PUPPIES** 

Ready!!!

### NARRATOR 2

And now, a word from our sponsor...

NARRATOR 3

Kanine Krunchies...

### NARRATOR 4

... the champion of all dog biscuits!

(The PUPPIES sing and dance along with the commercial.)

### Dalmatians are covered with spots. Can you think of other spotted animals?

leopard, giraffe, frog, spotted owl, cheetah, cow, hyena,
Appaloosa horse

### Kanine Krunchies



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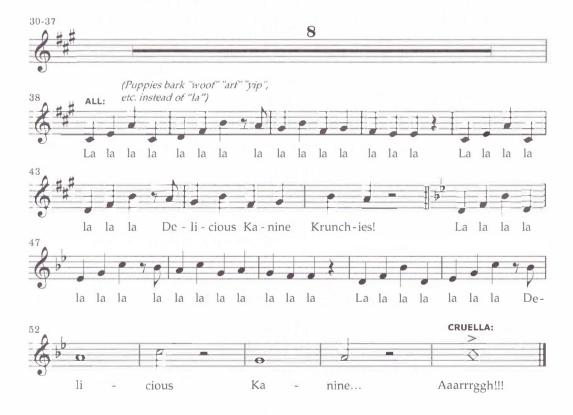
### **ANITA**

Darlings, please! You'll wake the neighborhood!

### **ROGER**

They can't help it, Anita – it really is a catchy tune!

(ROGER grabs ANITA and dances along with the PUPPIES.)



(The door slams open to reveal their horrible, horribly wealthy neighbor, CRUELLA DE VIL!)

### ROGER

Well, if it isn't our neighbor Cruella De Vil come to pay us a visit!

### **CRUELLA**

What on earth is all that racket? How am I ever going to get my beauty sleep???

**PEPPER** 

Beauty sleep???

**PATCH** 

Did she say beauty sleep?

**LUCKY** 

That's a laugh!!!

(The PUPPIES snicker, but PERDITA's bark quickly quiets them. ANITA tries to divert CRUELLA's attention.)

### ANITA

Why Cruella, what a lovely fur!

### **CRUELLA**

(preening)

Do you like it? It's a genuine one-of-a-kind and cost ooooodles of pounds! Now I have almost completed my collection of every kind of fur coat in the entire world!

### ANITA

It's... lovely. And I am terribly sorry about the noise. Really, the puppies mean no harm at all.

Well, just be sure the puppies don't do it again! I don't want the yowls and growls of spotted little furry creatures...

(inspiration dawns)

Spotted little furry creatures...

(embracing the puppies)

Why, I don't think I've quite seen anything like them. Look at the depth! Look at the patterns! Why, they're practically works of art!

(aside)

And just what I need to complete my collection!

(abruptly)

You know what? I've changed my mind. I've been without a pet long enough. No one to play with. I can't wait to wear... (catches herself)

... I mean, <u>care</u> for all the little puppies. I'll buy the whole litter! How much?

### **ANITA**

Oh, I'm afraid we can't give them up. Poor Perdita would be heartbroken!

### **CRUELLA**

Anita, don't be ridiculous. You can't possibly afford to keep them. You can scarcely afford to feed yourselves.

(chuckles, ripping off a check)

Here's a hundred for the lot.

### ROGER

Cruella, we're not selling the puppies.

### **CRUELLA**

Oh, surely, you must be joking. (rips another check)

Two hundred!

### **ROGER**

(intimidated)

No, no, no. I... I mean it.

Fine, you've forced my hand.
(rips another check)
Three zillion pounds. And that's my final offer!

### **ROGER**

I'm sorry, Cruella. (takes a breath, mustering his resolve)
We are not selling a single one.

(ROGER rips the checks, and hands them back to CRUELLA.)

### **CRUELLA**

Why you horrid man. You... you... All right. Keep the little beasts for all I care. Do as you like with them. Drown them. But I warn you, I'll get even. Just wait. You'll be sorry! You fools! You... you... nincompoops!

(CRUELLA storms out. The DOGS bark after her.)

### ANITA

Oh, Roger! You were magnificent, darling.

### **PERDITA**

(growls)

She's horrible, Pongo! Absolutely horrible!

### **ROGER**

(patting her head) No need to worry, Perdita, she's gone now.

### **NANNY**

(sighing)

Really. Why does that woman have to be so mean?

### Cauella De Vill



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### NARRATOR 1

So life went on at Pongo and Perdita's house, and everyone was happy.

### NARRATOR 2

They thought they had seen the last of their mean and awful neighbor.

### NARRATOR 3

But what they didn't know was that she was busy making plans...

### NARRATOR 4

Evil plans... with her two evil henchmen, Horace and Jasper.

(The scene shifts to CRUELLA's home, where her henchmen, HORACE and JASPER, hold a gigantic Dalmatian coat pattern, including a muff and boots.)

### **CRUELLA**

What do you mean we've run out of fur! We can't have run out of fur! This pattern calls for a muff and boots! I want my matching muff and boots!

### HORACE

Blimey, Cruella! We've bought up every Dalmatian puppy in all of London!

### **IASPER**

And there are no more for sale in a hundred miles of here!

### **CRUELLA**

(laughing wickedly)

Who said anything about a sale? My muff and boots are living right next door...

### **HORACE**

But I thought that couple with all the dogs was living next door.

Exactly, you nincompoop!

### **JASPER**

You mean...

### **CRUELLA**

That's right! I think it's time we pay dear Roger and Anita another visit. Come along, boys. It's time to make our plans...

### Cruella's Scheme





(exasperated)

Don't you nincompoops get it? The puppies are supposed to stay safe inside. But how can they resist, once they hear their favorite song...

### **HORACE**

"Row, Row, Row Your Boat"?

### **JASPER**

"Happy Birthday to You"?

### **CRUELLA**

No, no, no, you dolts!

(CRUELLA holds the Krunchies right up to the faces of HORACE and JASPER.)

Hellloooo!

(A light bulb finally appears.)







(CRUELLA, HORACE and JASPER exit, laughing wickedly.)

### NARRATOR 1

The next day, Anita and Nanny took Pongo and Perdita for a walk, leaving Roger with the puppies.

### NARRATOR 2

Roger put them all in front of the TV, went to the piano...

### NARRATOR 3

... and fell soundly asleep!

### **NARRATOR 4**

Little did anyone know the danger that lie ahead!

(CRUELLA, HORACE and JASPER enter in a Kanine Krunchies truck, disguised as deliverymen.)

### **CRUELLA**

All right, boys. Now go on in there and get me those puppies!!!

(HORACE and JASPER sneak in the door, followed by CRUELLA.)

### **HORACE**

Hellooooo, little puppies! Look what we have for you!

### **JASPER**

A whole truck full of Kanine Krunchies!!!

(The PUPPIES' ears prick up. HORACE and JASPER see ROGER asleep at the piano.)

### **HORACE**

Be very quiet, though...

### **JASPER**

We don't want to wake the nice man up, do we?

### **HORACE**

Come out to the truck with me, and pick your favorite flavor!

(PATCH looks back at the sleeping ROGER.)

### **CRUELLA**

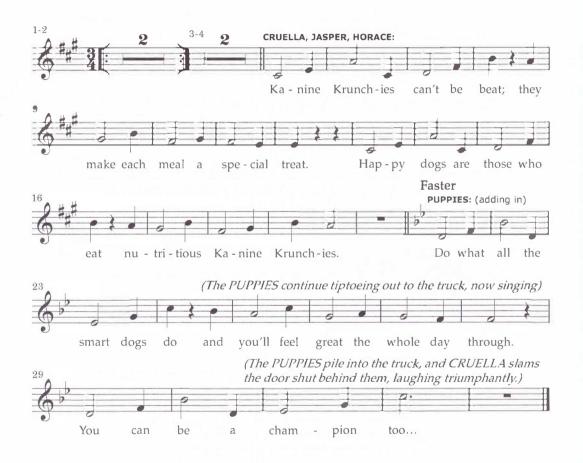
Don't worry about him! We'll just be gone an itty bitty little minute...

(CRUELLA, HORACE and JASPER woo the PUPPIES with the jingle, and they all exit in Pied Piper fashion.)





### Kanine Krunchies (Reprise)



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Ha, ha, ha! You're all mine now! To the fur vault, and step on it!

(As they drive away, two CHIHUAHUAS see them.)

### The Fur Vault









### NARRATOR 1

Back at home, no one could believe what had happened.

### NARRATOR 2

Pongo and Perdita searched and searched, but the puppies were nowhere to be found!

### NARRATOR 3

Roger and Anita ran off to get the police, wondering who could have done such an awful thing.

### NARRATOR 4

But Perdita knew that only one person could be behind her missing puppies.

### **PERDITA**

Cruella! Cruella De Vil has stolen our puppies! Oh, Pongo! Do you think our pets will ever find them?

### **PONGO**

They've rung the police, but I'm afraid they won't be quick enough.

### **PERDITA**

We can't let our puppies down! But what should we do? Surely there must be a way to save them!

### **PONGO**

Well, there's the Twilight Bark.



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### **PERDITA**

The Twilight Bark? But dear, that's only a gossip chain.

### **PONGO**

Darling, it's the very fastest way to send news. And if our puppies are anywhere in the city, the London dogs will know.

### **PERDITA**

All right, dear. Let's try it. There's no time to lose!

### **PONGO**

ARF! ARF! ARF! ARF!

### PONGO, PERDITA

ARF! ARF! ARF! ARF!

(BOXERS appear, trying to pick up the message.)

### **BOXER 1**

What is it? What's on the telegraph?

### **BOXER 2**

It's Pongo. Regents Park. It's an all-dog alert!

### **BOXER 1**

An all-dog alert?!?





### Twilight Bark



(SCOTTIES appear, trying to pick up the message.)

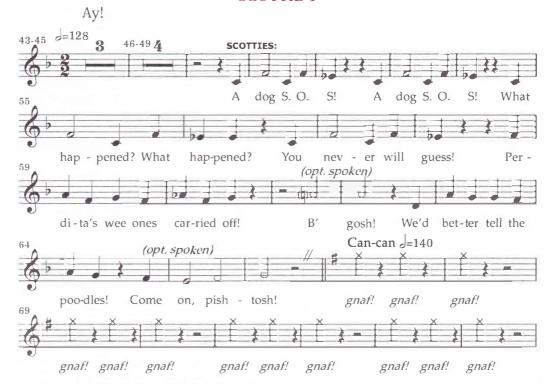
### SCOTTIE 1

Gather 'round, laddies! It looks like we be gettin' a message from Regents Park!

### **SCOTTIE 2**

A message from Regents Park?

### **SCOTTIE 1**



(POODLES appear, trying to pick up the message.)

### POODLE 1

Perdita's puppies stolen?

POODLE 2

Oui, oui!

POODLE 1

Zout-alors!





(CHIHUAHUAS appear, trying to pick up the message.)

### CHIHUAHUA 1

¡Arriba, arriba! You will not believe what I am hearing! ¡Los puppies están perdidos!!!

### **CHIHUAHUA 2**

¿Los puppies están perdidos? ¡Ay, caramba!

### CHIHUAHUA 1

¡Un momento! Didn't we just see muchos puppies in el Kanine Krunchies truck?

### **CHIHUAHUA 2**

¡Sí, sí, sí!







(SERGEANT TIBBS, a cat, enters and salutes the dogs.)

### **SERGEANT TIBBS**

Sergeant Tibbs reporting for duty!

### **SCOTTIES**

Omigosh!! Cruella stole Perdita's puppies and took them to her fur vault!

### **POODLES**

We must get zem out before eet is too late!

### **SERGEANT TIBBS**

Never fear, everyone! If we work together, we'll get those puppies in no time! Now follow me...

(The DOGS exit with SERGEANT TIBBS.)

### NARRATOR 1

Meanwhile, in Cruella's fur vault, far away from the safety of their home in Regents Park, Pongo and Perdita's puppies learned they weren't the only ones in trouble!

(The scene moves to Cruella's fur vault on the outskirts of London, where the PUPPIES shiver and look around. The room is filled with Dalmatians as far as the eye can see.)

### **PENNY**

What's going on? Where are we?

### **SPOT**

You're in Cruella's fur vault.

### DOT

Cruella brought us here.

### **PEPPER**

Gee, what do you suppose she could want with all of us?

(There is a huge <u>crash</u> offstage as we hear CRUELLA knocking things over with her huge coat.)

### **CRUELLA**

Watch where you're going, you nincompoops!!!!!

### **PENNY**

Looks like we're about to find out!

(The PUPPIES shrink back as CRUELLA, HORACE and JASPER appear.)

### **CRUELLA**

I tell you, it's got to be done tonight! Do you understand? Tonight!!!

### **JASPER**

But Cruella... how are we supposed to do it?

Bats, boulders, boomerangs... I don't care! Bonk them on their little heads!

**JASPER** 

But-

### **CRUELLA**

The police are everywhere! I must have my coat. My beautiful, beautiful spotted coat! With matching muff and boots!

**PATCH** 

Spotted coat???

**LUCKY** 

Shhhh!

### **CRUELLA**

Why, I can just see it now... I'll have the only one like it in all the world!!!

(During the following song, SERGEANT TIBBS sneaks into the fur vault through a hole in the wall and whispers to the PUPPIES, unseen. As CRUELLA gets more and more lost in her reverie, SERGEANT TIBBS leads the PUPPIES back through the hole.)



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### My Beautiful Coat



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### НАНАНАНАНАНАНА!!!!

(CRUELLA'S wicked laugh quickly changes to a mortified scream as she realizes that the PUPPIES have escaped.)

Aaaaaaaaah! My puppies! My puppies!!!

### **JASPER**

Hey, Horace! Look. They're gone. They flew the coop.

### **CRUELLA**

Well, don't just stand there, you idiots! After them!!!

(The PUPPIES run through the aisles, with CRUELLA, HORACE and JASPER hot on their heels.)

## The Chase







(ROGER, ANITA and NANNY arrive with a POLICEMAN.)

### **CRUELLA**

(changing her tune)

Why, hello neighbors! Fancy seeing you out on a night like this!

### **POLICEMAN**

What's going on here?

### **CRUELLA**

Why... we were just playing! Weren't we, cute little pup—

(She moves to pet PEPPER, who chomps her leg.)

### Aaaaaaaaah!

### LUCKY

She's gonna make a coat out of us.

### PENNY, PEPPER

A muff and boots, too!

### **PATCH**

Horace and Jasper were gonna bonk us on the head and... and do us in!

### ROGER

The game is over, Cruella.

### **NANNY**

We're on to your evil scheme!

### HORACE

That's right, you evil woman! How could you be so mean to such cute, defenseless little—

(PENNY bites him.)

Aaaaaaaaah!



### **IASPER**

Come off it, Horace! It was you two's idea all along. (to POLICEMAN)

I tried to stop them officer, but—

(LUCKY bites him.)

### Aaaaaaaaah!

### POLICE OFFICER

Enough of this! Down to the station, all three of you!

(As the POLICEMAN handcuffs HORACE and JASPER, a DOGCATCHER enters. The DOGS OF LONDON dash off, followed by SERGEANT TIBBS. The PUPPIES tremble behind PONGO and PERDITA.)

### **DOGCATCHER**

Need some help here, officer?

### **ROGER**

(eyeing PONGO and PERDITA with the many PUPPIES) Um, no, no! These Dalmatians are... ours.

### DOGCATCHER

Well, we don't want a good net to go to waste, do we?

(The DOGCATCHER puts the net over CRUELLA's head and drags her off. The POLICEMAN follows with HORACE and JASPER in handcuffs.)

### **CRUELLA**

Why, you nincompoops! You imbeciles! *(under the net)*Watch the hair! Watch the hair!!!

(Now that the coast is clear, SERGEANT TIBBS and the DOGS OF LONDON sneak back on to witness the family reunion they helped to bring about. ROGER, ANITA and NANNY look at their expanded brood.)

### **ANITA**

My goodness. How many of them are there, anyway?

(ALL count off.)

### ROGER

Ninetly-nine! And with Pongo and Perdita that makes...

ALL

A hundred and one Dalmatians!

**ANITA** 

A hundred and one Dalmatians!

**NANNY** 

But what will we do with them all?

**ROGER** 

We'll keep 'em.

**ANITA** 

In our little house?

**ROGER** 

Of course not – we'll buy a big place in the country.

(The DOGS bark.)

We'll have a plantation. A... Dalmatian plantation.

**ANITA** 

Oh, Roger, that's truly an inspiration.

ROGER

It'll be a sensation!

(laughs)

We'll have a Dalmatian Plantation – a Dalmatian Plantation I say.

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# Dalmatian Plantation & Finale







### Bow Wows



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### THE END.