

Cast of Characters:

Character 1:

A man with conviction. Speaks with a southern accent. Wears a red shirt. Very tall.

Character 2:

A woman in her 20's. Confident.

Character 3:

In love with Character 2. Ambitious and driven.

Character 4:

Comedic relief. Always in a banana costume.

Scene:

A train station. (Physical location of play)

Time:

Now and always. (Time period of play)

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Scene 1

The scene opens in darkness and the sound of a train whistle. Light slowly warms the space and we see CHARACTER 1 standing alone with a suitcase. He checks his watch. After a few beats, CHARACTER 2 enters SL carrying a birdcage.

CHARACTER 1:

(Loudly over the train)

What did you bring that bird for?

CHARACTER 2:

I thought you'd miss him!

CHARACTER 3 runs on from SR with flowers.

CHARACTER 3:

These are for you! I thought you might want some flowers!

CHARACTER 2:

What?

CHARACTER 3:

I said these are for you!

CHARACTER 2:

For me? You shouldn't have!

CHARACTER 1:

Give me that bird!

CHARACTER 3:

(To CHARACTER 2)

I'm in love with you!

CHARACTER 1:

Say what?

CHARACTER 2:

(Shocked)

You're in what with who?!

CHARACTER 4 enters in a banana costume and does a funny dance. Everyone laughs. The scene dims out.

Character Names: Must always be in ALL CAPS when used in Stage Directions or Parentheticals. Always aligned left.

Parentheticals: Reserved for smaller bits of direction such as how to deliver a line, who to deliver a line to, or to indicate laughter, pauses, etc. 3 tabs to the right of a character name.

Stage Directions: Always in *Italics*. Reserved for larger bits of direction such as entrances and exits, technical changes, blocking, stage movement, and the description of the scene at the beginning and end. 2 tabs to the right of a character name.

Dialogue: What the characters are saying. 1 tab to the right of character name.