

Billie - Charlotte
Ronnie - Adi
Sam - Ariadne

Jack - Shelley
Harper - Shevi
Jo - Essie

OVERTURE/OPENING DANCE

- JO: Here goes boys. These papers gotta go out in ten minutes, get yourselves dressed and lets get out there!
- RONNIE: Hey, what's up?
- SAM: Ah, I'm just so tired Ronnie. My back aches from walking all day and my feet ache from the holes in my shoes.
- RONNIE: Tell me about it. I'm working all the hours I can get and I still can't make board. Mrs Campbell at the boarding house says if I'm short again next month I'm out on my ear!
- BILLIE: The American dream, huh... Everyone wants to come to New York! I been sending pennies home to my old Ma but it ain't enough.
- SAM: Remember before you came here? All the big ideas. I was gonna get a job, get some savings, work my way up and make something of myself. I bet you all had dreams too.
- BILLIE: I told my old ma there'd be meat on the table every Sunday with all the trimmings. Wanted to give her the life she always dreamed of.
- RONNIE: My plan was to see the world. Make my way in the city, get myself some wheels, then who knows where life would take me.
- SAM: You dream of it, you think it'll change your life...but the work sucks the life clean outta ya.
- BILLIE: Ain't that the truth. And what do we got to show for it? I ain't got a shoestring. I got dirt on my face, dirt in my lungs. I gotta beg, steal, borrow. That ain't the working life we were promised.
- RONNIE: Ain't nothing we can do but keep at it. We can't even read these things, we ain't going nowhere.
- JACK: That aint true. Shoes on, kids. We're going out. I got an idea.

- JO: Ah Jack, you and your bright ideas. Whaddya got for us now? A lemonade stand to make our millions? A real life metal detector for finding nickels on the street?
- JACK: A union.
- A union? Newsflash! We ain't a union, we're just newspaper boys. Pulitzer thinks we're nothin'.
- JACK: Are we nothin'? So we aint got hats or badges, we're still a union if we say so. They need us. Without us they ain't got no news. So what if we demand more that we're getting? We demand together, and we make it clear that we ain't asking.
- HARPER: Hey, that ain't terrible logic Jack. Think about it. Mr Pulitzer needs to sell papers, and without the workers, ain't no papers getting sold. He could lose millions just by the lot of us sitting here twiddling our thumbs!
- JO: Sounds like a sure fire way to be out on the streets to me. I can see the headline now 'extra, extra, read all about it! Six idiot paper boys get together in the saddest union in history!' We'd be laughed out of a job!
- HARPER: That's why we gotta think big. Six paper boys is a laughing stock. But 60 paper boys? 600 paper boys? Every paper boy in the city? That's national news.
- JACK: So we need recruits. Mr Pullitzer have we got news for you! Stop the presses? We'll show them 'stop the presses'! It's time to seize the day kids. Who's in?
- SAM: I'm in
- BILLIE: I'm in
- RONNIE: I'm in
- JO: Ah, shucks, I can't let ya go down alone... I guess I'm in.
- JACK: That's the spirit! Harper, my right hand man, can you take the lead on this one?
- HARPER: Sure can Jack. Lets seize the day.

SIEZE THE DAY SONG AND TAP DANCE

Now is the time to seize the day
Now is the time to seize the day
Answer the call and don't delay
Answer the call and don't delay
Wrongs will be righted
If we're united
Let us seize the day

Friends of the friendless, seize the day
Friends of the friendless, seize the day
Raise up the torch and light the way
Raise up the torch and light the way
Proud and defiant
We'll slay the giant
Let us seize the day

Neighbor to neighbor
Father to son
One for all and all for one

DANCE

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One for all and all for...
One for all and all for one