

True Light Middle School of Hong Kong

"The Greater Port of Orient"

PROLOGUE

(All GOLDIES play around on the stage for a while before GLISTEN's scream pierces the silence. All GOLDIES hide away and keep an eye on what's going to happen to the three strangers.)

SCENE 1

1.	GLISTEN	(screaming out loud) I give up. I won't continue any more.
2.	TWINKLE	I am a bit tired, too. Dazzle, can we rest for a while?
3.	DAZZLE	Glisten, what's the problem again this time?
4.	GLISTEN	I can bear no more. This journey and the so-called mission. I can't understand which stupid ancestor thought of such a silly idea of sending us away once we reach sixteen. What's wrong with staying at home and depending on our parents forever and forever? (<i>suddenly realizing</i>) We shouldn't simply do as what Wise Woman told us to. At least we should ask why?
5.	DAZZLE	Hey Glisten, watch your mouth. We are already sixteen. We need to stand on our own feet. We are no longer babies.
6.	TWINKLE	Glisten, please stop. Dazzle, please don't. (trying to calm everybody down)
7.	GLISTEN	I am. I am. Is there anything wrong with being a baby? I hate such a journey. A journey assigned by Wise Woman. What is the point of carrying a so-called magic Seed and help those in need? Dazzle, I need help now. Please use your magic Seed to bring me home. I want to go home.
8.	DAZZLE	(yelling) Stop, Glisten. (speaking softly when GLISTEN starts weeping) Don't be like this. I am here. Together, we can complete our mission. Don't you remember what Wise Woman always says: (clearing her voice and pretending to speak like WISE WOMAN in an old husky voice) "Girls, you are trained to help others. That's your fate"?
9.	TWINKLE	Does Wise Woman speak like that?
10.	GLISTEN	Wise Woman is not like that. She speaks like this: (GLISTEN tries to speak like WISE WOMAN) "Girls, you are trained"
11.	DAZZLE	(pretending to speak like WISE WOMAN and joining GLISTEN) "Girls, you are trained" (TWINKLE, GLISTEN and DAZZLE happily set off their journey again.)



SCENE 2

12.	GLISTEN	(thrilled) Wow, am I in heaven?
13.	DAZZLE	(covering his eyes; pointing to the sign) Sure not! This is "The Port of Orient"!
14.	TWINKLE	An INFAMOUS place where ONLY the rich can survive.
15.	GLISTEN	(disagreeing) But the people here seem to be nice with friendly smiles.
16.	TWINKLE	Maybe. I am a little scared. (hiding behind DAZZLE)
17.	DAZZLE	We have to be careful.
18.	GLISTEN	Let's get in and have a look.
19.	DAZZLE	Wait.
20.	GLISTEN	Let me take some pictures and post them on my Instantgram! It's such a beautiful place! Twinkle and Dazzle, turn around and SMILE!! (<i>GLISTEN takes a few more selfies before joining the others.</i>)
20. 21.	GLISTEN G RUM	Twinkle and Dazzle, turn around and SMILE!! (GLISTEN takes a few more selfies before
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21.	G RUM	Twinkle and Dazzle, turn around and SMILE!! (GLISTEN takes a few more selfies before joining the others.) Welcome, to our wonderful city.
21. 22.	G RUM GLISTEN	Twinkle and Dazzle, turn around and SMILE!! (GLISTEN takes a few more selfies before joining the others.)Welcome, to our wonderful city.What is this place?
21. 22. 23.	G RUM GLISTEN G TERENCE	 Twinkle and Dazzle, turn around and SMILE!! (GLISTEN takes a few more selfies before joining the others.) Welcome, to our wonderful city. What is this place? This is our homeland, "The glamourous and flashy Goldie Port of Orient". Welcome!



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(ALL sing the song: "Buy and Sell".)

Here you come Be our guests Trade with us Anything Not your souls We have lots Sell your stuff

We don't bluff

Be our guests Be our guests Be our guests

	Be our guests	
27.	DAZZLE	Stop. These people are smart money-spinning businessmen.
28.	G GIANNA	Ladies, what would you like to buy?
29.	GLISTEN	There are so much good stuff here! Look! "Being famous" and this one "The most charming smile". I want them. I want them ALL.
30.	TWINKLE	And this "Always looks like you are 20"
31.	DAZZLE	and this "Eat and never get fat"
32.	G GIANNA	Yes! But these are not cheap!
33.	DAZZLE	We don't have any money.
34.	G RUM	Wait! You can always sell before you buy. It's a free market. We value the principal of laissez faire a lot.
35.	G TERENCE	Yes! There must be something valuable that you can sell.
36.	ALL GOLDIES	Sell us something. Sell us something.
37.	DAZZLE	We have nothing to sell. Glisten, let's go.
38.	GLISTEN	No, Dazzle, please. (thinking) Something valuable? How about myself?

39. TWINKLE (*jaws-dropping*) Glisten? (*staring at GLISTEN*)



40.	G TERENCE	(<i>giggling; teasing GLISTEN</i>) You?? You mean YOU? Are you serious???? Why would we want YOU? (<i>ALL GOLDIES shake heads.</i>)
41.	G RUM	Lady, see it yourself. (<i>taking out bags of souls</i>) We don't want souls from people anymore? We have a lot here!! Good ones! (<i>action</i>) Bad ones! (<i>action</i>) Angelic ones! (<i>action</i>) Devilish ones! (<i>action</i>) They are PENILESS!
42.	G HANNAH	Now we nearly have to give them out for free!! (<i>handing out the souls to TWINKLE</i>) You want some for free??
43.	TWINKLE	No thank you.
44.	DAZZLE	This is a spooky place. Let's leave! (holding TWINKLE and GLISTEN'S hands and leaving)
45.	GLISTEN	(begging) Wait! Wait! Can we stay a little longer? I love this place.
46.	G GIANNA	Are you sure you have nothing to sell?
47.	GLISTEN	What is that at the centre of the market square? (pointing to a shiny bottle on a high stand at the middle of the market square)
48.	G CHERIE	It's our Seed. It is the most valuable thing in the city! If you own it, you can buy anything you want and live like a Queen or a King here.
49.	GLISTEN	Live like a Queen?
50.	DAZZLE	What exactly is it?
51.	GLISTEN	Seed? Did you say SEED?
52.	G KIMBERLY	She said Seed. She said Seed.
53.	ALL GOLDIES	Let me have a look! Let me have a look!
54.	G GIANNA	Go! Tell Mrs. Lee that someone, no, three VIPs have the same seeds as hers!
55.	ALL GOLDIES	Mrs. Lee. Mrs. Lee. Mrs. Lee.
56.	MRS. LEE	(<i>from backstage: "Welcome"</i>) Welcome! Nice to meet you all! You are the three young ladies who own the Seeds?



57.	GLISTEN	Um, yes, if this is what you mean. (taking out her Seed) I am Glisten.
58.	MRS. LEE	(snatching the Seed out of GLISTEN's hand) Ahhh yes, yes. (admiring the Seed for a while and gives it back to GLISTEN) Thank you, Glisten. And you are?
59.	DAZZLE	I'm Dazzle. She is Twinkle. We are just visiting here.
60.	MRS. LEE	Well, Dazzle, I don't suppose you know what makes the Port of Orient such a prosperous city?
61.	DAZZLE	Um its people?
62.	MRS. LEE	Foolish girl, it is the Seed of Prosperity. (pointing to the Seed at the center of the market square)
		From that Seed grows into this prosperous Port of Orient. (ALL GOLDIES echo: "The Port of Orient".)
		And the Seeds in your hands (<i>pointing to their hands</i>) can help us build a Greater Port of Orient! (<i>ALL GOLDIES echo: "The Greater Port of Orient"</i> .)
		How does that sound to you, ladies?
63.	DAZZLE	But they're tokens from home! We can't just give them away.
64.	TWINKLE	They are for those who need help.
65.	MRS. LEE	Ladies, you are too naïve to understand this. Just sell them to me! Give a price. (<i>walking away</i>)
66.	GLISTEN	What will we get in return?
67.	DAZZLE TWINKLE	Glisten!!! (angrily) That's out of the question! Glisten!!!
68.	GLISTEN	You mean I can live like a queen in this beautiful city???
69.	DAZZLE	Glisten! What about our mission?? Don't you remember we have to help the needy and the poor?
70.	TWINKLE	This freaky place doesn't need our help! People here have no soul! Let's go.
71.	GLISTEN	No! This place needs me and I need this place!
72.	ALL GOLDIES	We need you. We need you.



73.	DAZZLE	Are you going to sell your Seed and stay here? Are you not homesick anymore?
74.	GLISTEN	Home? I feel at home now!! Mrs. Lee! I accept your offer.
75.	MRS. LEE	Wise choice! (ALL GOLDIES nod.) Marvelous Choice!
76.	ALL GOLDIES	(nodding) Marvelous!
77.	TWINKLE	(<i>pulling DAZZLE aside</i>) DO something, Dazzle. We are not going to leave Glisten here, right?
78.	DAZZLE	Wait. (<i>trying to buy some time in the hope of figuring out a plan</i>) What if our Seeds don't end up as cities? After all, they aren't from the Port of Orient.
79.	MRS. LEE	Oh yeah! You have a point, young lady. Yet,
80.	GLISTEN	Dazzle, it's none of your business. It's MY Seed.
81.	DAZZLE	True. But We may somehow use OUR Seeds to help these people.
82.	ALL GOLDIES	Help US?
83.	G KIMBERLY	We have everything. Why do WE still need help? (ALL GOLDIES laugh.)
84.	DAZZLE	Well, (gathering her guts) I think it's worth a try. Right? Twinkle.
85.	TWINKLE	(nodding vigorously) Yes, yes.
86.	DAZZLE	(<i>to TWINKLE</i>) Give me your Seed. (<i>to GLISTEN</i>) And, yours. (<i>GLISTEN hesitates but she surrenders.</i>) Mrs. Lee, here are our Seeds. We give them away for free for the good of you and your people.
87.	MRS. LEE	Goldies, wonderful! I now have THREE more Seeds without a penny. You have helped us make our dream come true! We have been hoping to build a Greater Port of Orient for a long time, and today, we can finally accomplish it. (<i>ALL GOLDIES say: "Yeah!"</i>)
		Goldies, go plant the seeds. Very well. While my Goldies are planting your Seeds, may I invite you to join me in a
		celebration feast in my palace.



88.	GLISTEN	Feast? I've never been to a feast before! (following Mrs. Lee walking ahead)
89.	TWINKLE	(<i>speaking softly to DAZZLE</i>) Are we doing the right thing? I mean, giving away our Seeds like this?
90.	DAZZLE	Not sure. But at least, Glisten won't have a reason to stay.
91.	G RUM G TERENCE	(screaming loudly) Mrs. Lee! Mrs. Lee! The Seeds! The Seeds! They are not Seeds of Prosperity!
92.	MRS. LEE	WHAT?! What did you (G GIANNA and G KIMBERLY interrupt.)
93.	G GIANNA G KIMBERLY	Mrs. Lee! Mrs. Lee! S snow is falling And, a mountain No, a snowy mountain has erected Over there.
94.	G CHERIE G HANNAH	Mrs. Lee! Mrs. Lee! There is water, No, Yes, There is a beach with beautiful white sand And, the sun Sunshine plenty of sunshine Out there.



95.	MRS. LEE	(going to CSL) Oh, what is this? A tree? (SHEEP is running around the stage) AH!!!!!!!!! Sh sheep!!!!!!! (going to DSL) A snowy mountain? (going to DSR) And—and a beach?! (yelling) OUTSIDERS! WHAT HAVE YOU GIVEN ME?!
96.	DAZZLE	(GLISTEN and TWINKLE hide behind DAZZLE shaking their heads.) We just gave you what you and your people need for free.
97.	G. CHERIE	I can feel the heat of the sun
98.	G. HANNAH	and the sand and the water.
99.	G RUM	Treeeessssss!! Long time no see trees! (<i>speaking to the tree</i>) I MISS YOU A LOT, TREES. (<i>gently patting a tree as though it is a living person</i>)
100.	G TERENCE	The closest thing we get to a tree is a light fibre Christmas tree! How I MISS THOSE LEAVES! (touching, feeling, smelling, kissing and hugging each leave)
101.	G HANNAH	(<i>rushing to the SHEEP</i>) What a cute SHEEP. (<i>in reminiscence</i>) I ONCE had a pet DOG but my mom sold it cuz it was driving her crazy! (<i>hugging and kissing the SHEEP and walking it to the beach</i>)
102.	G GIANNA	SNOW! (feeling the snow) I've never seen snow before.
103.	G KIMBERLY	(<i>tasting the snow</i>) It looks like my birthday cake icing! But, it's cold. (<i>laughing and sharing the snow with G. GIANNA</i> .)
104.	MRS. LEE	(seeing ALL GOLDIES are enjoying the nature) Look, what have you done to my Goldies? (to ALL GOLDIES)
		Goldies, we don't need these things. (trying to take away what the GOLDIES are enjoying) We only want gold and diamonds, remember? (ALL GOLDIES shake their heads, throw away their treasure and valuables; to DAZZLE, GLISTEN and TWINKLE) Take them away and leave. NOW!
105.	DAZZLE	Hey, Mrs. Lee.
106.	MRS. LEE	Shut up. (<i>SHEEP is standing beside MRS. LEE; staring at her</i>) What are you staring at, you worthless creature. (<i>trying to scare it away</i>)
107.	G HANNAH	(using her body to protect SHEEP) Don't hurt her, please. (MRS. LEE is shocked.)
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^{108.} DAZZLE So Mrs. ... What's her given name?



109.	G RUM	Jennifer.
110.	DAZZLE	Jennifer, (<i>putting her arm over Jennifer's shoulder</i>) why don't you join your people and enjoy yourself?
111.	GLISTEN	Come and join our party at the beach!
112.	JENNIFER	(<i>stuttering; stunned first by what the Seeds have grown into, then by the reactions of GOLDIES</i>) Wh-where is m-my city?
113.	DAZZLE	<i>(comforting MRS. LEE)</i> Your city is here just fine. But you have been worrying about money for too long, it's time to relax. See? Your Goldies are all enjoying the nature. These things cannot be bought. They have to be experienced. Come join us at the beach! I don't want to miss out on anything.
114.	GLISTEN	(DAZZLE, GLISTEN and TWINKLE are pushing MRS. LEE to the beach) Come on, Jennifer.
115.	JENNIFER	(<i>still stunned; following DAZZLE speechlessly to the beach</i>) Jennifer! I almost forget that's my name. (<i>looking around</i>)
		Welcome to the new GREATER PORT OF ORIENT! (<i>smiling</i>)

(ALL sing the song: "Bull & Sell")

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Here you come

Be our friends

Paly with us

Anytime

Ice and snow

We have lots

Sun and beach

Sheep and trees

Be our friends Please stay here Be our friends