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Name of School : Fukien Secondary School
學校名稱 : 福建中學
Name of Play 劇名 : READY, Players?
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Synopsis 故事大綱 :

A group of students from Fukien Secondary School join Ms.Gelsey's English Drama class on Zoom. Students are sent to separate breakout rooms to discuss and draft the adapted scripts. Everything is going according to plan until some students accidentally get transported into a virtual dreamworld created by one of the students, Electric. How do they end up in this dreamworld? Where is that voice they hear coming from? Will the students want to stay in their dreams or will they try to get back to the real world?



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Scene 1

Ms Gelsey: Good morning everyone. Our drama lesson is about to begin, time to switch on your cameras now..... (pauses, checking attendance) Aurora? You there?

(Aurora switches on her camera.)

Ms Gelsey: All right....so, anyone remembers what we talked about last time?

(Sky looks away, unfocused. Bosco Immediately raises hand in Zoom, ready to speak.)

Ms Gelsey: Sky?

(Sky is daydreaming and gives no response.)

Ms Gelsey: Sky? I'm calling you.

Sky: (stops daydreaming) Sorry Ms. Gelsey, what was the question? My wifi is lagging...

Ms Gelsey: (patiently) I was asking..... if you remember what we talked about last lesson.

Sky: Ummm.....ah....(sings) the phantom of the opera is here....

(Everyone laughs/ grins.)

(Janna types the answer in the chat group.)

Ms Gelsey: Right...(pauses, sees Janna's answer) Janna has also typed out the answer to everyone. Yes, we have been watching Phantom of the Opera. Aurora, wake up! It's only the beginning of our lesson! Go wash your face if you feel sleepy.

(Aurora nods and goes to toilet.)

Bosco:(raises hand, eager to speak) Ms Gelsey?

Ms Gelsey: Yes Bosco?

Bosco: I've checked and looked at the 15 things people don't know about Phantom.

Ms Gelsey: Yes? What did you find?



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Bosco: (knowledgeably) That the Phantom of the opera is the ONLY show that have reached 10,000 performances on Broadway, the masks are custom made for each actor playing the Phantom, and it has a sequel!

Ms Gelsey: Indeed! A sequel called Love Never Dies that brings Christine and her husband Raoul to New York City. (pauses, encourages Bosco) Well done Bosco, I'm sure all the information you've collected will be useful to your task today.....

Bosco: ...story adaptation!

Ms Gelsey: That's right. I'm gonna put you into groups and each group needs to come up with an adapted story for your FINAL performance.

Electric: Ms Gelsey...

Ms Gelsey: Yes? Electric?

Electric: Can we work on another story?

Ms Gelsey: Which story would you like to work on, Electric?

Electric: I'm thinking of "Ready Player One"? The virtual universe where we can do anything, and BE anyone without going anywhere at all.

Snowy: What are you talking about?

Janna: It's a movie directed by Stephen Spielberg, and was released two years ago.

Sky: I know...(excitedly) it talks about a future world where everybody plays the same game together. Electric...tell us more about it...I'm curious..

Electric: It's a dream world for the BIGGEST escape among all human beings, I've actually been working on this (Bosco interrupts)..

Bosco: (interrupts Electric) Ms Gelsey...

Electric: ..and I can show you...

Bosco: Ms Gelsey, Electric is totally OBSESSED with this world Oasis, I think you can simply ignore (Electric interrupts) him...

Electric: (annoyed, interrupts Bosco) You don't know anything...



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Ms Gelsey: (tries to quiet everybody down) Ok all right class, it's GOOD to see you're all excited about the idea of story adaptation. Now DO explore a bit in your own groups now, I give you 10 minutes...

Snowy: Ms Gelsey, can all the girls be in one group, I don't want to be with the boys...

Ms Gelsey: Let's just get into two groups at random. READY? You can start your discussion NOW.