

SCENE 1

INT. THEATER WAITING AREA - DAY

James paces nervous, Donovan watches.

START

JAMES  
Donovan help, I'm nervous.

DONOVAN  
It's adrenaline not nerves - just like in hockey. So stay calm, breath and control your emotions.

GUSTAVO exits with TWO BODYGUARDS.

GUSTAVO  
Attention! I am cancelling the rest of the auditions because you all make me want to vomit!

DONOVAN  
WHAT!?! YOU CAN'T CANCEL!

GUSTAVO  
Yes I can, I'm Gustavo Rocque.

DONOVAN  
Yeah and we drove an 82 year old woman in a 40 year old car for 5 hours to get James here.

GUSTAVO  
What are you his agent?

DONOVAN  
No - yes! And he's awesome - so JAMES SING NOW - GO.

JAMES  
*PEOPLE SAY I'M THE LIFE OF THE PARTY CUZ I -*

GUSTAVO  
He's terrible. Goodbye Minnesota!

DONOVAN  
He didn't finish.

GUSTAVO  
But I'm finished with him and you. And I know on the first note whether somebody has it or not and your friend does not have it. None of you here, has IT!

Gustavo starts to exit.

DONOVAN

You're the one who doesn't have it.  
You haven't had a hit in 10 years  
and your last three "boy bands"  
didn't chart.

Gustavo stops. Donovan holds up his SMART PHONE.

DONOVAN (CONT'D)

Yeah, that's right - thank you  
wikipedia.

GUSTAVO

Hey! I have 29 platinum records and  
3 number one songs.

DONOVAN

And they can all be heard on the  
90's channel at Muffler shops all  
over the country.

GUSTAVO

"Ur My Girl" by Boys in the Attic  
charted in January of 2000.

DONOVAN

Boys in the Attic? That's your  
musical legacy? Let's see if I can  
remember those lyrics.

Donovan mock boy band dances but actually sings amazing...

DONOVAN (CONT'D)

GIRL GIRL GIRL - OH GIRL, GIRL GIRL  
YOU'RE MY GIRL OH GIRL, GIRL (big  
power note) GIIIIIRRLLLLL!

The guys laugh. Donovan <laughs>...Gustavo doesn't.

GUSTAVO

HEY!

(gets cheery)

This is a contract that states you  
are willing to come to LA for three  
months to make a recording demo.

DONOVAN

(beat) Come again?

**STOP**

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# SCENE 2

EXT. THE POOL - NIGHT

Pan off the water to find the guys sitting by the fire pit. Still wet. Donovan paces.

## START

LOGAN  
Gustavo was right. We reek.

DONOVAN  
We don't reek. We just didn't try our best.

CARLOS  
Don't give us the try your best speech Donovan, this isn't hockey practice - it's Hollywood.

DONOVAN  
But did we? Did we try our best?

JAMES  
I tried my best.

DONOVAN  
We know James. But what about the rest of us, including me?

LOGAN  
Fine, we didn't try our best - but we also got yelled at, dance assaulted, hair assaulted, fired, then thrown in a pool by three gorgeous girls.

DONOVAN  
Yes - today was awful, except for the gorgeous girls part, but what's tomorrow?

CARLOS/LOGAN/JAMES  
Wednesday.

DONOVAN  
Yeah, but what is tomorrow? Come on you guys know the speech. I gave it when we lost to Prep 11-0.

DONOVAN/CARLOS/LOGAN/JAMES  
A brand new day.

DONOVAN  
And what are we going to do with it?

(MORE)

DONOVAN (CONT'D)

Are we gonna accept defeat and go back to Minnesota where it's 2 degrees and no gorgeous girls are throwing us into a pool? Or are we going to get serious about this, go back to the studio - mini-apologize and try our best this time?

CARLOS

You really think we can be a boy band?

DONOVAN

NO! But I realized two really important things since we've been in LA. One - I love to sing - with you guys - and we are giant idiots if we don't take this thing as far as we can go.

LOGAN

What's the other thing?

DONOVAN

I love this pool and I'm going to marry it someday.

**STOP**

End.

**DONOVAN SIDES**