

Big Bluster On Pirate Island.

Drama 2:

Scene: Pirate Island.

(Florentine is sitting mournfully on the beach)

Flori: Oh, how can I have been so stupid? I didn't know they were Pirates, although I suppose the Cutlass, the eye patch and the wooden leg should have given me a few clues. But I thought they were just members of the crew. But now .. (sobs) now they've taken me prisoner. They're holding me captive in this disgusting, smelly and dirty Pirate camp on this dreadful Island, and no one knows where I am ...(sobs).

(enter Karl, Eddy and Pete)

Karl: Well, it was all your fault Pete. I told you to stand still.

Pete: Well that's pretty difficult when your wooden leg has come loose!
But what about Eddy, it was as much his fault as mine.

Edd: Well my eye patch had slipped over the wrong eye. I couldn't see a thing.

Karl: Well that's still no excuse for jumping on top of me like that.
It's not surprising that I fell overboard.

Edd: Well that's very unfortunate, but did you have to drag me into the water with you?

Pete: And then rock the boat so much that I went in too?
I really liked that old wooden leg, but now it's floating in the ocean somewhere and this new one is just a little bit too short!

Edd: And that old eye patch was the most comfortable I've ever had. T
his new one is really itchy.

Karl: Well I really liked my trusty cutlass, but that's gone as well.

All: (simultaneously) You shouldn't have rocked the boat; why
did you jump on me; you dragged me overboard etc etc etc

Karl: (shouting) OK, OK, we're all to blame, (whispering) but at least in
the end we got this ... girl ... back here. What's her name again?

Edd: (whispering) Flori Flori

Pete: (Whispering). Florentine, you idiot, Florentine Bluster,
the most beautiful girl on the seven seas.

Karl: (Whispering) Florentine... OK, we better go and see how she is.
Captain Jack will be mad if anything happens to her.

(They approach Florentine)

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Karl: Good morning Miss Bluster, we trust you had a good night's sleep?

Flori: I want to go home!
Edd: Oh but Miss Bluster, this is your home now.
Here with us on our beautiful Pirate Island!
Flori: But I want to go back to the Blinking Bluster! I want to see my Daddy again! (sobs).
Pete: Well I am afraid that that will not be possible Miss Bluster. I think the Blinking Bluster
set sail last night. She will be long gone by now. No you're here now, and here
you will just have
to stay until Captain Jack decides otherwise.
Flori: Who's Captain Jack?
Karl: Well the famous Captain Jack Daw of course. The most feared Pirate Captain
on the high seas. He's stolen more gold and sunk more ships than anyone
else, or so he says anyway.
Flori: Captain Jack Daw! I've heard of him. Yes people say that he is
heartless and cruel and ruthless and selfish and

(enter Jack)

Jack: Ah, Miss Bluster, I hear you've heard about my good points then.
Lucky you didn't hear about my bad points or you probably wouldn't have come
to visit my Pirate Island.
Flori: I'm not visiting as you say. I'm being held captive. These thugs kidnapped me!
Jack: Ummm, thugs eh? Lads you must be improving, you've never been called thugs
before, well done.
Flori: I want to go home, let me go! (shouts) Help! Help!!
Jack: It's no good Florentine. It's no good shouting. No one can hear you because
no one else lives on this Island. Just us. So shout all you like. no one will
hear you, and no one will rescue you!
Flori: Help! Help!
Jack: See what I mean?

(Flori flops to the floor sobbing)

Jack: Well that's quite enough of that Miss Bluster. You've got work to do, so look lively.
Flori: Work, what work?
Karl: Well there's this place to clean for a start, it needs a ... a ... a woman's touch.
Edd: And there's our socks to wash as well. We haven't got round to it for a while.
A long long while.

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Pete: And there is a meal to cook. We're fed up of Coconut and Bananas.
It's time we had a decent meal. I think roast chicken will do for today.
Flori: But ...
Jack: But nothing my pretty thing, but nothing. We're off to sink a ship or 2, but we'll be back by
six and expecting our meal.

(Jack, Karl, Eddy and Pete walk away)

Flori: But ...!
All: But nothing!

(They exit)

Flori: But I've never cleaned, I've never cooked, and I've never done the washing. Mrs Creak does it all. I don't know what to do! If I could only get a message to the Blinking Bluster then I'm sure Daddy would come and fight this bunch of good for nothing pirates and rescue me from this dreadful Island. But what can I do? (Puts on thinking look). Ummmm Ummmmmm.... (pause). Oh I don't know, (looks at audience), maybe you lot can help me. How can I get a message to the Blinking Bluster do you think?

(Conversation with audience: Hopefully someone suggests a message in a bottle.)

Flori: That's it, that's it. I'll write a note telling them where I am and throw it out to sea in this bottle. (picks up bottle). Maybe one of the crew will see it and fish it out of the water. Now what shall I write? (Takes paper and pencil from a pocket). Errr....

Dear Daddy, I am being held captive by Captain Jack Daw and his horrible Pirates on their Pirate Island. They are making me clean and cook and wash their clothes. It's horrible. Please rescue me. Love from Florentine. Yes that will do. So here goes. (rolls paper up, puts in bottle and hurls bottle off side of stage). Well all I can do now is wait to be rescued.

(Flori exits)

Scene: The Blinking Bluster.

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Voice: Meanwhile on the Blinking Bluster.

(Enter Captain Bluster and Mrs Creak)

Blust: Oh this is terrible, terrible. My lovely Florentine has been captured by Captain Jack Daw. He's the worst of all Pirates. She's probably on his ship right now, hundreds of miles away. In fact I'll never see her again.
Creak: Oh Captain Bluster. I'm so sorry. I don't know how it happened. I must have dozed for a few seconds, and then then she was gone.
Blust: It's alright Mrs Creak, don't blame yourself. It's my fault. I should never have left her alone. After all, she is famous as the most beautiful girl on the seven seas. Something like this was bound to happen, I should have been here to protect her. It's all my fault really.

(enter Sam breathless)

Sam: Captain, Captain!

Blust: Oh not now Sam. I'm missing Florentine. I haven't got time for your silliness today.

Sam: But Captain, Captain it's.

Blust: Sam, I really don't want to know. I've got to think of a way of finding Florentine, and you can't help with that.

Sam: But Captain it's about ...

Creak: Sam, you heard what the Captain said. He hasn't got time now.

Now just run along and get on with your duties. There are decks to be scrubbed and ropes stowed. You shouldn't be slacking like this!

Blust: Come on Mrs Creak, let's go and think of something.

(They exit)

Sam: Oh that's just typical, just typical. No one listens to me.

It's just Sam do his, Sam do that, Sam fetch this, Sam take that, all day long, but no one listens to me ever. Well more fool them! They won't know that I've got a letter from Florentine. It was in a bottle I fished out of the sea.

Hang on, I'll read it to you: (he sits down and gets out paper)

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(he sniffs dreamily at the paper). Ummm.... Love from Florentine, love from..... (He jumps up). I know! I know! I will go and rescue Florentine myself. I'll rescue her from Captain Jack Daw and that terrible Pirate Island, and then ... then... she will see how brave .. and handsome.... and strong ... and heroic I am, and then... (whispering) then, Florentine will fall in love with me!

But how will I know which Island to go to? (gets out a telescope and looks around the room. Looks towards the screen and an acetate saying: Welcome to Captain Jack Daw's Pirate Island is displayed). Aha, that was easy enough. Florentine here I come. But I better leave a note for Captain Bluster, after all. I don't want him to set sail without me and Florentine.

(Sam exits)

Scene: Pirate Island.

(Enter Florentine carrying a pile of socks with treasure map hidden inside)

Flori: There are socks everywhere. I've already washed two hundred pairs, and now I keep finding more. (drops pile of socks on the floor and out drops a piece of paper) Oops, but what's this I wonder. (picks up paper and reads)

Captain Jack Daw's Treasure Map. All my treasure can be found where X marks the spot. (looks at the map). Umm up that way, past the two trees, turn right by the spring, climb over the rope bridge, walk for a hundred yards, and .. and there it is.

(Enter Jack, Karl, Eddy and Pete)

(Flori quickly folds paper and puts in her pocket)

Jack: Ah Florentine. I see you've been hard at work, the washing line is full of socks.

Flori: and it's ruined my nails and chapped my hands.

Karl: Well we're hungry!

Edd: We sunk three ships today.

Pete: and stole a whole load more treasure.

Jack: and now we're hungry. So where's our dinner?

Flori: Oh it's coming, and it's my speciality!

Karl: (closing his eyes and opening and shutting his mouth) Ummmm Roast chicken!

Eddy: (closing his eyes and opening and shutting his mouth) Salmon en croute!

Pete: (closing his eyes and opening and shutting his mouth) Sausages!

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Jack: (Closing his eyes and opening and shutting his mouth) Roast beef and Yorkshire pudding!

Flori: Well it's ... (Quickly stuffs a banana in each mouth) BANANAS!

Pirates: (Choking noises etc).

Flori: (laughter).

Jack: (removing banana) Oh Miss Bluster, that was not a good idea. Not a good idea at all. I think your life on my Pirate Island is about to get a whole lot harder, don't you boys?

All: Aye aye Captain!

(They surround Florentine and march her off stage)

Flori: Can't you take a joke? You Pirates have got no sense of humour!

They all exit.

Voice: What will happen to Florentine now? Will Sam be able to rescue her? Or will she be stuck on Jack Daw's Pirate Island for ever? Come back tomorrow for the next exciting episode of Big Bluster on Pirate Island.

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