

REAL LOVE

By John Collings and Darren Hughes

Excerpt

ACT 1 Scene 3

(ANGEL moves towards the settee as he talks and takes the student cover off placing it behind the settee).

ANGEL: Well that didn't go very well did it? But Dish is a very determined young man and er he really loves Cindy. And er Cindy went for a long walk to cool off, but guess who was waiting for her when she came home.

(ANGEL returns to his bar stool).

Outside Mum's house.

(DISH enters down stage right and CINDY enters down stage left at the same time).

CINDY: What are you doing here?

DISH: I had to talk to you. I took a shortcut.

CINDY: Why?

DISH: Because I didn't want to let my dream slip away.

CINDY: Your dream?

DISH: I'm in love with you.

CINDY: In love. With me?

DISH: Yes.

CINDY: You don't know the first thing about me.

DISH: Well I want to find out.

CINDY: How can you, you've only known me a few days.

DISH: I feel I've known you forever.

CINDY: You could be a mad axe man, for all I know.

DISH: My heart aches for you.

CINDY: (giggles) I can't believe what you're saying.

(DISH smiles as well realizing what he is saying).

DISH: Nor can I. I've never met anyone, I wanted to spend my life with. Until now.

CINDY: You're having me on.

DISH: That just it, I'm not.

(DISH kneels in front of CINDY begging her).

DISH (CONT): Please give me a chance, let me prove my love for you.

CINDY: OK. How could you do that?

DISH: I don't know. This is the first time I've felt like this.

CINDY: I don't need this in my life.

DISH: I want you.

CINDY: Go away; I don't want to see you ever again.

DISH SINGS:

'How Can I Get You To Love Me' lyrics by Collings & Hughes

Sometimes you don't say a word

Then everything I say gets mis-heard

Why do you always have to go?

And every word is no

(DISH stands up).

You and I we're meant to be one

We'd follow the stars and the moon and the sun

Now you feel so far away

Further every day...so

How can I get you to love me?

I'm holding on

For you are my world and you are the air I breathe

(CINDY moves round the back of DISH moving stage right. DISH moves stage left).

How can I go on?

When you won't even talk and tell me what's wrong

What have I ever done to you?

To make you feel so blue

How I wish your love would return

Give me the answers so I can learn

So I can never let you down

And always be around...so

How can I get you to love me?

I'm holding on

For you are my world and you are the air I breathe

How can I get you to love me?

When all I need is

For you to believe in

For you to believe in me

(The couple hold hands).

Believe in me oh oh

How can I get you?

Get you to love me

Song ends

(Pause).

(DISH starts to exit stage right).

CINDY: Wait. Come back. Look I have to be careful, who I fall in love with, I've been really hurt before. Actually I have to admit, I was excited when you asked me out. In fact I was over the moon.

THE MUSIC STARTS.

(A big moon appears on the back of the stage, if possible).

CINDY SINGS:

OVER THE MOON (part 1) lyrics by Collings & Hughes

The stars were shining bright

And I couldn't sleep that night

I knew you were right for me

So I guess I'd be a fool

If I kept my heart from you

And threw it all away

(CINDY dances).

You showed me love

And made me fall for you

I'm over the moon

And filled with emotion

You make me want to lose myself in you

I'm over the moon

You set me into motion

You could take me tonight

Just be my guiding light

And take me far away

The words you sing to me

Sound like a symphony

And they're playing in my heart

So tell me all those lovely words again

I'm over the moon

And filled with emotion

You make me want to lose myself in you

I'm over the moon

You set me into motion

DISH: Do I really do all those things to you?

CINDY: Yer.

OVER THE MOON (part 2)

(DISH sings)

So I guess I'd be a fool if I kept my heart from you

Turn me on with loving words again

(CINDY sings)

I'm over the moon

And filled with emotion

You make me want to lose myself in you

(CINDY and DISH sing)

I'm over the moon

You set me into motion

So tell me all those loving words again

I'm over the moon

And filled with emotion

You make me want to lose myself in you

I'm over the moon

You set me into motion

And I don't want to come back down too soon

Song ends

(CINDY and DISH kiss).

CINDY: I was excited about seeing you. But, when Nesy told me about your reputation, I just saw red.

DISH: I love you.

CINDY: Oh, well that might be, but we will have to see how things go.

DISH: Can I kiss you goodnight.

CINDY: Oh.

DISH: Please.

CINDY: Oh. OK.

(DISH kisses CINDY. They move to MUM'S settee. CINDY sits on DISH'S knee they embrace. DISH pulls CINDY'S bra off, (which is hidden behind the settee on the table) so the audience can see the bra coming off).

(Suddenly there is a shadow of MUM coming down the stairs, she puts on the light. and starts on CINDY).

MUM: I thought I heard a noise?

(MUM spots the courting couple).

MUM (CONT): I thought I'd brought you up better than that!

(CINDY and DISH jump up and face MUM).

CINDY: Er, Mum we weren't!

MUM: You, You are no better than a prostitute!

CINDY: A prostitute!

MUM: How dare you use my house as a knocking shop!

CINDY: But we weren't!

(MUM finds the Bra).

MUM: Haven't you got no decency at all!

(MUM shows the bra to the audience and drops it).

MUM (CONT): Get out! Get out of my house!

(DISH picks the bra up).

CINDY: Don't worry we are going! For years I have looked after you! And maybe, just maybe this is my one chance of a bit of happiness! You old cow!

MUM: Oh!

(MUM puts a hand on her chest and pretends to be having a heart attack).

CINDY: And, and don't pretend you're having another heart attack!

(CINDY and DISH exit stage left. As DISH passes MUM he says the following)

DISH: Nice to have meet you Mrs Prichard