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A two-act play or can be performed as two one-act plays:

First act for juniors or mixed ages.

Second act for adults.

Cast:

Daniela Gray as Junior and as adult Wilson.

Jenny Thomson - Daniela's friend.

Bobby Brown - Jenny's boyfriend.

Bianca Millbank as Junior (School bully) and as adult Mills.

Davina Smith - Bianca's sidekick.

Mrs. Mary Gray - Daniela's mother.

Miss. or Mr. Chillingworth - Teacher at Tillingham school. Male or female.

Jim Wilson - Daniela's husband.

Craig Mills - Bianca's husband.

Constable Clark then as Detective Inspector Clark - Policewoman or policeman

Caroline Wilson - Daniela and Jim's daughter.

Conner Mills or Young - Bianca and Craig's adopted son.

Gang members, non-speaking.

Act one is at school when Daniela is 16.

Act two is 27 years later at Daniela's home.

ACT 1

Scene one. A school playground.

Curtain opens with Daniela carrying a large bag, Jenny, and Bobby centre stage. Bobby has his arm in a sling.

Daniela: What do you think of my new phone Mum got it for me. Dad wanted me to have his old one, but it was from the 19th century!

Jenny: Let's have a look.

Bobby: Wow, you're so lucky Daniela. I have to buy my own.

Jenny: Yeah, you are lucky, I have to have my mum's old phone.

Daniela: Yeah, but you *have* got a tablet Jenny.

Jenny: Oh no, look what's coming. It's that Bianca and her shadow. They think they are so big and cool. The bees knees.

Bobby: They're like a bad smell that won't go away.

Jenny: They always cause trouble.

Bobby: They gave me loads of grief the last time I ran into them.

Jenny: They give everyone grief. Have they seen us?

Daniela: Quick let's hide.

Jenny: Oh God, they've seen us.

Bobby: It's too late to hide. Get ready for a load of trouble. Put your phone away Daniela or you will lose it.

Daniela: Keep together.

Bianca and Davina enter.

Bianca: Hello, hello, what have we got here? The three little pigs.

Davina: (*To Bobby.*) Why are you hanging around with this little Jenny pig face? You need a proper girlfriend.

Bobby: Because they're my friends.

Daniela: Why are you so nasty?

Davina: What did you say you little bitch?

Jenny: Just leave us alone.

- Daniela:** We just need to get to school.
- Bobby:** Sorry, we haven't got time.
- Davina:** Now, that is right out of order. You will just have to make some time.
- Bianca:** I don't think you are showing enough respect. I'm afraid you will have to be punished.
- Davina:** What type of punishment do you think Bancy?
- Bianca:** Oh, let's have a think. I'm sure we could get some ideas, if we put our mind to it.
- Jenny:** We have to go.
- Bianca:** If you don't give us the time, we will take it as a lack of respect.
- Davina:** Oh dear, she is being disrespectful. What shall we do about it Bancy?
- Bianca and Davina start to pull Jenny around.***
- Bianca:** At least a good slapping I think, ha ha.
- Daniela:** Leave her alone.
- Bianca:** What did you say?
- Davina:** Out of order, you little cow.
- Bianca:** You don't tell us what to do.
- Bobby:** Look, we just want to go into school.
- Davina:** We just want to go into school, ha ha.
- Bianca:** Then you should have thought of that before. Now you need to pay. What have you got in the bag?
- Daniela:** Why?
- Bianca:** Because I asked you, that's why. Now, don't argue, what's in the bag?
- Daniela:** Just my homework, and a few books, why?
- Bianca:** Give it here.
- Daniela:** Why should I?
- Bianca:** Are you deaf, I said, give it here.
- Daniela:** No, I have to hand it in today.
- Bianca:** I only want to have a look. Nothing to be worried about.
- Daniela:** Yeah, I bet.
- Davina:** You have a choice, give her the bag, or suffer extreme pain.

Daniela: No, I don't want to.

Bianca: OK, let's try your little one-armed bandit here.

Davina: Shall we break his other arm

Bianca and Davina attack Bobby hurting his arm.

Bianca: I wish Craig and Jason were here. They would have loved this.

Bobby: Oh, no please. Ow.

Jenny: Stop it, please.

Davina: Shut up you little bitch.

Daniela: Ok, ok, look in the bag, but promise you will give it back?

Bianca: Of course, I will give you the bag back. I don't want to keep it. You have my word that I will give you the bag back, and I always keep my word, don't I Davina?

Davina: Oh yes, Bianca always keeps her word.

Jenny: Don't give her the bag.

Davina: Shut up, and get lost.

Davina snatches the bag from Daniela and takes out her books and homework.

Davina: These books are so heavy to carry around. I'll do you a favour and get rid of them for you. You don't need them.

Daniela: Don't, they are from the school library. I need to give them back today.

Davina: They are only old books. Much too heavy for you to carry around. I'll do you a favour.

Daniela: Please, don't.

Davina throws the books over the fence.

Davina: This is my good deed for the day.

Bianca: You are too kind hun. Too soft hearted, that's your trouble.

Daniela: Oh no.

Bianca: There! Now you won't have to lug them round all day!

Daniela: They are school books from the library.

Bianca: Oh dear!

Jenny: Why did you have to do that?

Bianca: Are you questioning us? That is not very polite is it. We may have to teach you some manners.

Davina: Look, I do you a favour and what thanks do I get? No gratitude. Very disappointing.

Bianca: No gratitude at all, but what can you expect from little gits like these?

Davina hands the bag over to Bianca who looks inside and retrieves a phone.

Bianca: Well, well, what have we here? Look at this Davie. A nice new phone.

Daniela: That's my new phone. Please give it back.

Jenny: That's her new phone.

Davina: I told you to shut up. Now get lost.

Bianca: Nice phone. That phone is too good for you. You must have nicked it.

Daniela: No I didn't! My mum bought it for me. Now give it back.

Bianca: Did mummy buy you a new phone? How nice.

Davina: Mummy bought her little diddums a new phone.

Bianca: Now mummy will have to buy diddums another new phone, won't she? Ha ha.

Daniela: Please give it back.

Bianca takes Daniela's homework out of the bag and starts reading it.

Bianca: Look, this homework is no good. You can't give this in. It's rubbish! You will have to do it again, and do it properly next time.

Bianca throws Daniela's homework over the fence.

Daniela: Oh no. Why did you have to do that?

Bobby: That's horrible.

Daniela: You will have to give the phone back. It's brand new.

Bianca: I don't think so.

Daniela: But you said you would give me the bag back. You gave me your word.

Bianca: So I did.

Bianca puts the phone in her pocket and hands the empty bag back to Daniela.

Daniela: But the bag is empty. You promised to give it back.

Bianca: Well I just did. I gave you the bag back as promised. I didn't say anything about the contents, did I?

Daniela: What about my phone?

Bianca: What phone? I didn't see any phone, did you Davina?

Davina: Phone? No, I haven't seen any phone.

Daniela: But that's my phone.

Bianca: Was your phone. But not anymore, shame.

Daniela: Give me back my phone, please.

Daniela grapples with Bianca to try and retrieve her phone, but Bianca gets out a knife and threatens Daniela.

Bobby: Watch out, she's got a knife!

Jenny: This is awful.

Davina threatens Bobby and Jenny with a hockey stick, and forces them off stage.

Bobby: Argh. You've hit my arm.

Jenny: Ahhh, you bully.

Bianca exits with Daniela's phone. Jenny and Bobby enter.

Jenny: Are you OK Daniela? That was scary. I thought she was going to use that knife. She has ripped some of your clothes.

Daniela: I have felt better.

Bobby: I'm not surprised.

Jenny: Carrying knives. That gang is going too far. Their boyfriends Craig and Jason are really bad news too. I think they deal in drugs. They are making our lives a misery.

Bobby: Well, we are going to be in big trouble now.

Daniela: Now my new phone is gone. Mum will kill me and dad will go ape.

Jenny: That's your homework and the books from the library gone. You'll never get them back unless you go around the fence.

Daniela: It's a long walk, and then I'll be late for class. I'm in trouble whatever I do.

Curtain closes leaving them in front of the curtain.

Miss. Chillingworth enters.

Miss. Chillingworth: What on earth has been going on here?

Daniela: Nothing Miss.