

An excerpt from Peter Pan ACT I scene 6

Previously, HOOK had devised a cunning plan to rid himself of PETER PAN and the LOST BOYS, by creating a delicious looking but poisoned cake! Not knowing exactly their hideaway but just the general area, the PIRATES plan to leave it where it is likely the LOST BOYS and PETER PAN will find it. SMEE and NOODLER, rather reluctant pirates, do not like this plan and so...

Enter HOOK and all the PIRATES (Chanting- US Army style)

HOOK: We are pirates- we are mean.

PIRATES: We're the worst that you have seen.

HOOK: We've a plan so devilish bad

PIRATES: It's the best we've ever had!

HOOK: Cake as nasty as it can be!

PIRATES: Smee is carrying it carefully-

SMEE: Ooh... whoops! Tree root... **(Staggers, drops the cake)** sorry!

HOOK: You idiot! If I didn't know better I might think you did that deliberately, because if you did I would have to kill you! You didn't of course... did you?

NOODLER: Oh no of course he didn't! **(SMEE shakes head)**

PIRATES: Oh yes, he did!

NOODLER: Oh no, he didn't! **(Audience participation etc- repeat)**

HOOK: Oh, shut up, **(To audience)** you scurvy lot! Who asked you to join in? I'll make you all walk the plank! **(SMEE encourages booing- audience participation)** It's ruined! We'll have to think of another plan!

PIRATES: Arrrgghh!

NOODLER: (Aside to SMEE) It wasn't an accident that you dropped that poisoned cake!

HOOK: Maybe we should wait around here and see if Peter Pan has returned!

SMEE: Oo-er! What if the Indians are about?

HOOK: I'm not scared of Indians!

SMEE: Or wild animals or-

HOOK: I'm not scared of- **(Tick-tick-tick noise is heard)**

SMEE: Crocodiles?

HOOK: Hide me, hide me! (**PIRATES all gather around HOOK**) He's coming to get me!

Tick-tick-tick noise is heard louder

SMEE: Yep! He's coming to get you Captain.

HOOK: Back to the ship! Faster, move faster! (**They shuffle to...and exit**)
Run! (**Tick-tick-tick noise fades away**)

Enter PETER and WENDY

WENDY: Oh Peter!

PETER PAN: Wow that was close. Poisoned cake... a clever plan! They were close to finding our underground home too. Don't look so worried... it's all part of the big adventure!

WENDY: But the pirates are out to get you... all of us!

PETER PAN: Nah! It seems at least one pirate is on our side! Hey, smile! I'll take you to see mermaids in the lagoon if you like?

WENDY: Mermaids? How lovely... but is it safe?

PETER PAN: It's Neverland and you are with me (**Crows**) what can go wrong?

SONG

PETER PAN: Come on, to the mermaids' lagoon, (**grabs WENDY's hand**) let's go! **Exit**

EXCERPT FROM CRAZY FOX PANTOMIMES