

SCENE 3: EGYPT

Riki - Hannah

Ret - Tula

Lucky -Evan H

Imhotep - Oliver M

Peasant 1 - Beckett

Peasant 2 - Harper

Peasant 3 - Noah

Sandwich Holding Peasant - Lyric

Hungry Peasant - Preston

Zoser - Will

Khnum - Lee'L

Rapping Peasants -

1 Harper / Lyric / Beckett

2 Preston / Noah / Will / Oliver M.

Ret: Who do we get to see next, Lucky?

Riki: Yea, I never knew history could be so.. so.. alive!

Lucky: Alive? Well, we'll see about that! Listen up! Here comes King Zoser of Egypt and his trusted servant, Imhotep.

Ret: Wow. They look pretty good considering they lived four thousand years ago!

Imhotep: King Zoser! Grain is scarce!

Peasant 1: I've got no grain!

Imhotep: The fruit has all dried up.

Peasant 2: Look at my fruit! It's completely dried up!

Imhotep: King Zoser, the River Nile hasn't flooded the farmlands for SEVEN YEARS.

Peasant 3: A seven year drought? Someone around here must have broken a mirror. Okay ~ who was it?? CONFESS!

Imhotep: People are so desperate that they are robbing their neighbors!

(Two peasants are standing together. One is holding a sandwich)

Hungry Peasant: Wow! Look at that (points to the sky)

(As the peasant that is holding a sandwich looks to where the other is pointing, the first steals the sandwich and runs away. The other chases him)

(Children start to cry and old people wail in agony: "Woe is me! Woe is me!")

Imhotep: Children are crying and old people are as sad as can be.

Zoser: I know! Build me a pyramid!

(Imhotep and the rest of the Egyptians look at the audience in disbelief)

Zoser: But first, I must learn the name of the God of the Nile. Then we can offer sacrifices to that god and he will help us. Everybody! (Everyone stops moving and look at him) Go to sleep at once!

(Everybody lays down and goes to sleep. Dream music plays. Khnum enters, dressed like a Pharaoh)

Khnum: (in a big voice) I AM KHNUM. That's K-H-N-U-M. The H is silent. I know the River Nile. When it covers the fields, it gives them life. Now the Nile will pour over the land without stopping. Plants will grow, bowing down with fruit. The years of starvation will be over. Thank you and good night. *(Bows and exits stage)*

(Music stops and everyone wakes up)

Zoser: Ladies and gentlemen, my fellow Egyptians. I have had a marvelous and rather brief dream. The name of the God of the Nile is Khnum. That's spelled K-H-N-U-M, the H is.....oh never mind. We must offer him gifts. The years of hunger have ended. Now we can build the great Egyptian Civilization that people will talk about for generations to come. I know you're hungry, but first things first. We'll start with a great pyramid which shall be my tomb!

(all cheer)

SONG 3: IN MY TOMB (Lines for rappers in score)