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#### **WILLARD**

And what is that supposed to mean?

#### RUSTY

Willard! He was just being friendly!

#### WILLARD

Oh, yeah?

Fists clenched, WILLARD steps closer.

# **BEGIN**

#### **COWBOY BOB**

Look, son, it's much too early in the evening to get blood on that pretty little shirt of yours.

(to RUSTY)

And ma'am? My condolences.

COWBOY BOB tips his hat and exits.

#### WILLARD

(to RUSTY)

What does he mean by that?

(more heated, calls after COWBOY BOB)

Hey! What do you mean by that?

Drawn by the commotion, REN steps up and pulls WILLARD aside.

#### REN

Willard, what's that your mama says? Count to ten, right? So count to ten. WILLARD shakes off his anger.

Now, what's up? You finally go out on a date with Rusty...

#### **WILLARD**

Hold on, hold on! Is this a date? You asked me to go for a ride. You told Ariel to invite Rusty. It's more like I'm on a date with you.

#### REN

And you look so handsome tonight.

#### WILLARD

(embarrassed but pleased)

Aw, you're just sayin' that... But the problem is ...

REN

Yes?

#### WILLARD

Between you and me?

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REN

Uh-huh?

WILLARD

(pointing to the dance floor) I can't do this! I. Can't. Dance!

Everybody turns to WILLARD and freezes; from across the dance floor, RUSTY wails:

RUSTY

**END** 

Whaaaaat?!

**COWGIRL JUDE** 

Oh, please! It's like riding a bike.

**COWBOY CHET** 

Or falling off a log.

**COWGIRL LAURA JO** 

It's as easy as learning how to swim.

**WILLARD** 

I can't swim.

**COWBOY BOB** 

(gestures to the COWBOYS)

Hey, fellas! Whaddya say we push 'im in the pool!

#### TRACK 16: LET'S HEAR IT FOR THE BOY

The COWBOYS and REN pull WILLARD into a huddle; lights down on them. Focus shifts to RUSTY, ARIEL, and the COWGIRLS.

### **COWGIRL BONNIE**

(to RUSTY)

Darlin', darlin', your boyfriend has two left feet and you had no idea?

**RUSTY** 

None.

**COWGIRL BONNIE** 

Didn't he never take you in his arms and sweep you off your feet?

RUSTY

No! But that's not how it is with me and Willard.

The COWGIRLS all scoff.

No, really! Willard has a lot of hidden talents. I mean, just look at him.