


# SCENE 5 (PART A)

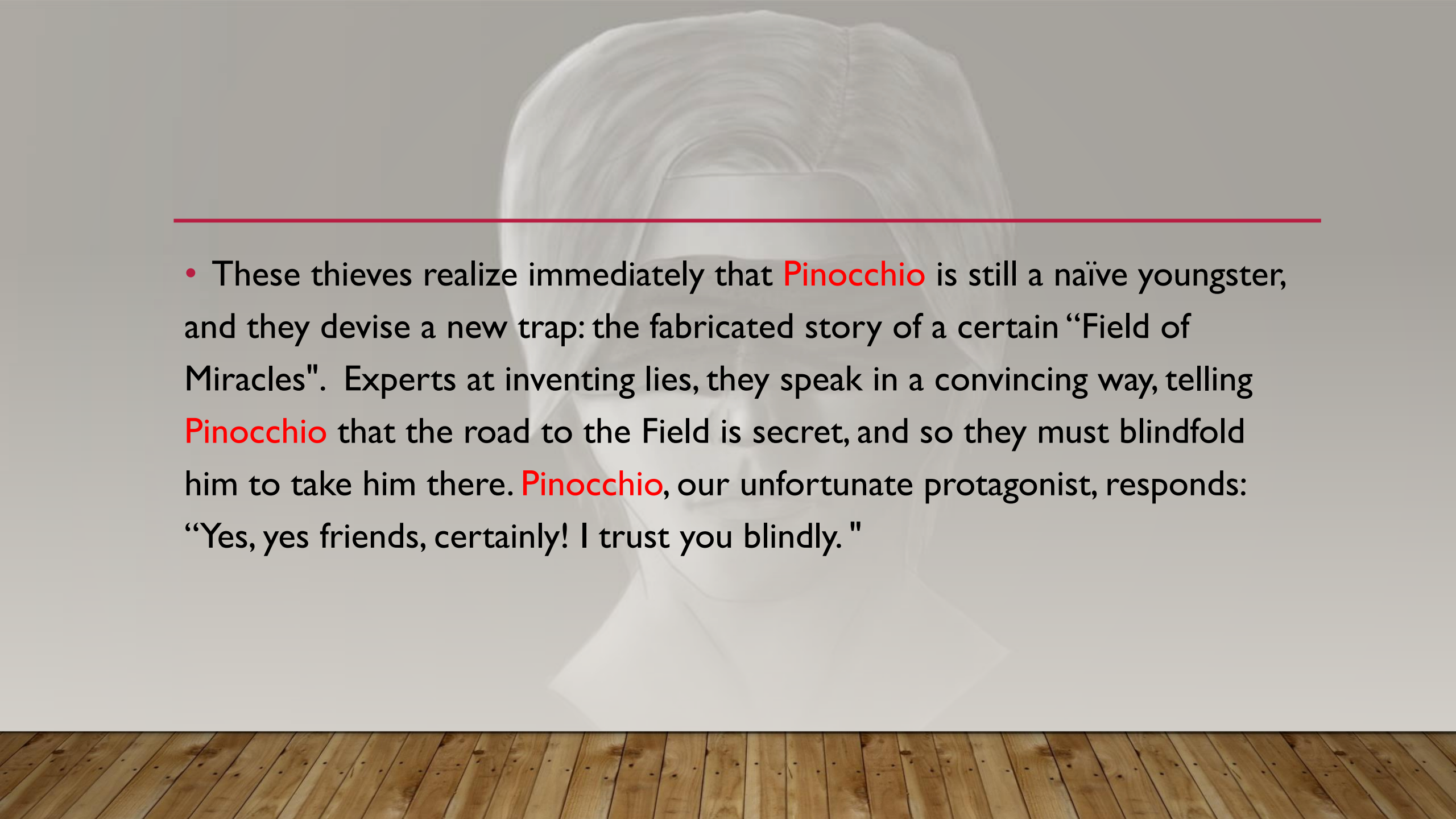
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THE FIELD OF MIRACLES



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- An illustration of the Cat and the Fox from the story of Pinocchio. The Cat is on the left, wearing a red cap and a yellow jacket. The Fox is on the right, wearing a blue cap and a red jacket. They are both looking towards the right. In the background, there is a town with buildings and a white van. There are also several colorful balloons (pink, blue, and white) floating in the air.
- The Cat and the Fox return in this scene, and look for Pinocchio, still intending to rob him of his gold coins. Pinocchio does not know that it was they who tried to kill him. When he sees them, he thinks they are his lost friends, now found again. He greets them with joy.

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- These thieves realize immediately that **Pinocchio** is still a naïve youngster, and they devise a new trap: the fabricated story of a certain “Field of Miracles”. Experts at inventing lies, they speak in a convincing way, telling **Pinocchio** that the road to the Field is secret, and so they must blindfold him to take him there. **Pinocchio**, our unfortunate protagonist, responds: “Yes, yes friends, certainly! I trust you blindly. ”



**RECITATIVO**

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- Thus blindfolded, they lead him from one place to another, only to arrive at the same place they started from. When the Cat takes off the blindfold, Pinocchio looks around and says, that it looks like the same place as before. The crooks quickly say, "Nonsense!" and he continues to trust them. He plants his precious coins in the hole dug in the ground. Then he falls asleep. The thieves take the coins and escape away, scoffing at Pinocchio who lies dreaming. This whole conversation is sung in RECITATIVE mode, and the music is very suggestive of the sinister sentiment of the scene. It is not a dry recitative.

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- When the puppet awakens, the **Cricket** arrives again.
  - With sadness, he quotes to **Pinocchio** another famous phrase:

