

SCENE 1: EAST HIGH SCHOOL – LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

(A high-energy musical prologue rocks the house. The curtain rises on... the final class of the year. A giant clock on the back wall counts down the last few seconds of the school day. TROY, GABRIELLA, CHAD, TAYLOR, KELSI, ZEKE, SHARPAY, RYAN, MARTHA COX and the rest of the WILDCATS/STUDENTS can barely contain themselves, waiting for the summer to start! Lights up on JACK SCOTT. Once behind the microphone, this nerdy kid turns into the smooth-talking, quick-witted Velvet Fog of East High.)

JACK SCOTT

Yo, yo, yo, Wildcats! Jack Scott here, the Velvet Fog of East High, with the totally altogether absolutely ultimate final announcement of the school year: Summer has officially begun!

(Finally, the clock strikes 3:00 p.m.! The school bell rings and the STUDENTS jump out of their chairs.)

WHAT TIME IS IT

Funky rock ♩=120

ALL:

What time is it? — Sum - mer time.

It's our va-ca-tion! What time is it? — Par - ty time.

That's right, say it loud! — What

time is it? — The time — of our lives: an-ti-ci-pa-tion! What

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (Bb). It features a funky rock rhythm with a tempo of 120 beats per minute. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some triplets. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The score is for a group of all students (ALL:).

SHARPAY

Arghh!!

(FULTON leaves, racing back offstage. SHARPAY sobs in front of the mirror.)

(JACK SCOTT takes the stage.)

JACK SCOTT

Wow, a back handspring into a full layout, while playing the accordion! Pretty amazing. Now start slapping those paws together as we bring out Theresa Templeton and her Ten Tappalacious Toes! Yeah, baby!

(The audience applauds as THERESA taps onto the stage. Stage left, TROY fixes his apron and walks up to CHAD, ZEKE, TAYLOR and MARTHA COX. A moment of tension.)

TALENT SHOW 4: THERESA TEMPLETON

Tapalicious (swung 8ths) ♩=127

vocals 1st time only

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TROY: CHAD:

Hey. Hey.

6

TROY:

Ful - ton gave me my old job back.

8

CHAD:

And?

TROY

And I told Sharpay I'm not singing with her.