

BRUCE

Kids, get out of there. Now! (*CHRISTIAN and SMALL ALISON appear from the closed ends of a casket.*) Where's John? (*JOHN appears as well.*) How many times have you been told Do Not Get In the Caskets.

JOHN

We were making a commercial for // the Fun Home.

SMALL ALISON

Shhhh!!

CHRISTIAN

We're sorry, dad.

BRUCE

We've got two bodies. We've got work to do.

SMALL ALISON

My turn to do the directory! Who are they?

BRUCE

(*Handing her the directory letters*) Muriel Swartz. Dwight Johnson.

SMALL ALISON

Wait- Benny's Dad?

CHRISTIAN

Benny's in my class!

SMALL ALISON

What happened?

BRUCE

He fell off a ladder. Broke his neck. Get this cleaned up. (*To himself*) This is going to be a long night.

BRUCE exits. JOHN and CHRISTIAN begin to clean. SMALL ALISON begins putting names onto the directory board.

START:

CHRISTIAN

When you break your neck is it just like crack you're instantly dead?

JOHN

Probably his head was hanging from his neck and then he couldn't see, and he couldn't eat or anything and then he died from not eating and running into things.

CHRISTIAN

That's not right.

SMALL ALISON

You guys, we gotta practice the commercial. *(She fetches the tape recorder.)*

JOHN

Yeah, we messed it up before. *(The kids all try and grab the tape recorder)*

SMALL ALISON

Give it to me.

JOHN

I wan't it.

CHRISTIAN

My turn!

SMALL ALISON

(Seeing her dad) Shhhh!!

BRUCE crosses through, now wearing a gown and a surgical mask. The kids try to look innocent. He notices and shoots them a look but keeps moving through. When they're sure he's gone they return to their game.

CHRISTIAN

Should we start at the top?

SMALL ALISON

Yeah.

CHRISTIAN

Hold on, should we say Fun Home? We only call it that in the family?

JOHN

Yeah, that's right.

SMALL ALISON

It's our commercial. We can do what we want.

JOHN

That's right too.

CHRISTIAN

I guess.

SMALL ALISON

Come on!

CHRISTIAN

Okay, okay!

JOHN

(Into a fake megaphone) Places everybody!

They take their places. SMALL ALISON turns on the tape recorder.

SMALL ALISON

Fun Home commercial. Take seven million billion thousand.

Music in - No. 3 COME TO THE FUN HOME

END

JOHN

YOUR UNCLE DIED
 YOU'RE FEELING LOW
 YOU'VE GOT TO BURY YOUR MOMMA
 BUT YOU DON'T KNOW WHERE TO GO
 YOUR PAPA NEEDS HIS FINAL REST
 YOU GOT YOU GOT YOU GOT TO GIVE THEM THE BEST
 OH-

SMALL ALISON & CHRISTIAN

COME TO THE FUN HOME

JOHN

THAT'S THE BECHDEL FUNERAL HOME, BABY

SMALL ALISON & CHRISTIAN

THE BECHDEL FUN HOME

JOHN

NEXT TO BAKER'S DEPARTMENT STORE

THREE KIDS

In Beech Creek!

SMALL ALISON & CHRISTIAN

THE BECHDEL FUN HOME

JOHN

WE TAKE DEAD BODIES EV'RY DAY OF THE WEEK SO