

(RONA)

And I need to speak with Miss Olive Ostrovsky.

(OLIVE crosses to RONA as the volunteers are coming on stage.)

OLIVE

I'm Olive.

RONA

(pulls her gently aside)

Miss Ostrovsky. It seems we haven't received your entrance fee.

OLIVE

Entrance fee?

RONA

Did the school not tell you about the twenty-five dollar entrance fee?
Is your mom here maybe? Or your dad?

OLIVE

My dad had to go into work. He's gonna try to come later.

RONA

Who brought you to the bee, dear?

OLIVE

The bus.

RONA

All right. We'll talk about the entrance fee later. Take your seat.

(indicates that she should sit back down)

CHIP

(to the "new girl," taking her under his wing)

Hey, Marcy? Don't be nervous. Just watch what I do.

MARCY

Don't worry, I'm not nervous.

SCHWARZY

(to Coneybear)

Have you ever been in an underground gymnasium before?

(Line changes with theater configuration - eg: Have you ever been in a gymnasium with chandeliers before?)