

INT. GREEN ROOM - NIGHT

*Stare On Mrs. Tappan*

MELISSA is pacing back and fourth around the room. She is obviously nervous. NICHOLAS is sitting calmly in a chair.

NICHOLAS

Would you quit pacing? You're making me nervous.

Melissa is flabbergasted.

MELISSA

You're nervous? You aren't the one that has to go out there on stage in 5 minutes and perform.

NICHOLAS

No, I just represent the person that has to do that. So calm down. You are making me look bad.

MELISSA

Nick, I forgot all the dance steps! It's like my brain has shut down.

NICHOLAS

You'll be fine. I am sure it will all come back to you.

She keeps pacing. Nicholas watches her.

NICHOLAS

Alright! What's the first number you're doing?

She thinks for a second.

MELISSA

*No Better Way.*

NICHOLAS

Okay, think for a minute. How does the dance go?

She thinks. She starts pacing. She grows more frustrated.

MELISSA

I can't remember!

NICHOLAS

Dance!

This throws her off guard and she looks at him confused.

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NICHOLAS

I said dance!

She starts dancing. It's an awkward rendition of "One Night Stand". Nicholas gives her a strange look.

NICHOLAS

Oh god. We're in trouble.

MELISSA

That's what I have been saying!

Nicholas gets up. He walks over to her side.

NICHOLAS

Okay. Let's think. In "No Better Way" you start off like...

Nicholas does this funny little dance as he quietly sings to himself. Melissa stares at him shocked.

MELISSA

Have you even seen one of my shows!?

Nicholas stops for a moment. He looks offended.

NICHOLAS

I'm doing the best that I can here!

MELISSA

What are we going to do?

Just then the door opens and in peeks DEZ. She is wearing a headpiece and holding a clip board.

DEZ

2 minutes Ms. Jasper.

She pops back out. Nicholas and Melissa look at each other freaked out.

NICHOLAS

Okay. What other dances do you know?

Melissa keeps trying to think but draws a blank.

NICHOLAS

Come on! Anything!

Melissa starts to sing to herself and dances the "lawn mower". She then switches it up to "shopping cart". Nicholas shakes his head.

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NICHOLAS

(lying)

Okay, this could work. This could work.

MELISSA

Are you kidding me? I am so dead.

Dez walks back in.

DEZ

It's time.

She grabs Melissa by the arm and pulls her out through the door. Nicholas watches her leave. In a squeaky voice he says...

NICHOLAS

Good luck?.

FADE TO BLACK.