**OVERTURE**

***Speaker 1:*** Do you hear that beat? It’s the sound of Broadway, and no one can stop it!

***Speaker 2:*** It’s the sound of singing voices and dancing feet!

***Speaker 1:*** It’s the sound of people entering the theater on the most famous street!

***Speaker 2:*** It’s the sound of the overture playing as the spotlights pan…

**BOTH*:***  It’s the sound of…

**CHORUS:** THE BAND!

**YOU’RE IN THE BAND**

***Speaker 3:*** That was a song from, *School of Rock,* a musical about a substitute teacher who teaches a group of elementary students how to ROCK!

***Speaker 4:*** Like many newer Broadway musicals, *School of Rock* started out as a hit movie and later, was adapted for the stage.

***Speaker 3:*** Our next song comes from *Matilda*, which started out as a popular children’s book, then became a movie, and eventually was turned into a musical.

***Speaker 4:*** It’s the inspiring story of a young girl who dreams of a better life.

***Speaker 3:*** *Matilda* teaches us that the family we choose can sometimes be more valuable than the one we’re born into.

***Speaker 4:*** From *Matilda*, here is **When I Grow Up**.

**WHEN I GROW UP**

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***Speaker 5:*** Another musical which began as a book is the smash hit *Wicked*!

***Speaker 6:*** Based on the novel “Wicked: The Life and Times of the Wicked Witch of the West”, it’s a re-telling of the classic film The Wizard of Oz.

***Speaker 5:*** *Wicked* tells us the story of two school friends: Galinda, who becomes Glinda the Good Witch, and Elphaba, who eventually becomes the Wicked Witch of the West.

***Speaker 6:*** From *Wicked*, here is **One Short Day**.

**ONE SHORT DAY**

***Speaker 7:*** It’s hard to talk about Broadway without mentioning Disney.

***Speaker 8:*** For many years, Walt Disney Studios was the leading producer of movie musicals.

***Speaker 7:*** It only makes sense that they would eventually turn their sights toward the bright lights of Broadway.

***Speaker 8:*** Disney has turned nearly a dozen of their movies into hit Broadway musicals including: *The Lion King*, *Aladdin*, and *Frozen…* just to name a few.

***Speaker 7:*** Our next song comes from one of their most recent adaptations based on the New York City Newsboys Strike of 1899.

***Speaker 8:*** From Disney’s Broadway musical *Newsies*, here is **Seize the Day**.

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***Speaker 9:*** Just like *Newsies*, many musicals have brought to life important events from history.

***Speaker 10:*** Like *Titanic the Musical*?

***Speaker 9:*** That’s right! And don’t forget the recent hit musical about one of our founding fathers…

***Speaker 10:*** *Hamilton*! Oh yes, that’s my favorite!

***Speaker 9:*** With historical characters and powerfully relevant songs, *Hamilton* has become an international phenomenon.

***Speaker 10:*** From *Hamilton*, here is **My Shot**.

**MY SHOT**

***Speaker 11:*** If the heart of New York City is Times Square, then the musicals that play on Broadway are its heartbeat!

***Speaker 12:*** Do you hear that beat? It’s the sound of Broadway…

**CHORUS:** AND NOBODY CAN STOP IT!

**SEIZE THE DAY (*REPRISE*)**