

SCENE 5**Many Weeks Later****Spiker & Sponge's Decrepit Garden**

JAMES carries a litter-stick and begins picking up the cash and placing it into a burlap bag.

SPIKER

Nothin' to do now but count our money!

SPONGE

How many contracts do you think we signed?

SPIKER

Hundreds my dear! And we get all the money in advance! All we gotta do is deliver that peach!

SPONGE

That's it? Just deliver the peach?

SPIKER

We'll show it on TV, at conventions, we'll write gardening books, we'll be in magazines!

SPONGE

That seems easy enough.

SPIKER

We're rich!

SPONGE

And we're gonna be famous!

JAMES

Do you think we could move to the seashore? Or perhaps take a trip?

SPONGE

We ain't doin' nothin'!

JAMES

But it was me that made the peach grow.

SPIKER

Liar.

JAMES

But, I did make the peach grow.

SPONGE

You couldn't make my toenails grow.

JAMES

But—

SPIKER

(smiling broadly)

James, my dear, dear foolish boy. Raise your right hand and repeat after me: I, James Whatever Trotter...

JAMES

(raising his right hand)

I, James Henry Trotter...

SPIKER

Am a worthless, lying, little boy. And nobody will ever be interested in anything I have to say. Not today, not tomorrow not ever, ever, ever.

SPONGE

So keep your comments and your clever little ideas to yourself.

SPIKER

Hey Sponge, what do you think of my new scarf?

SPIKER holds the scarf that was JAMES' mother's high in the air.

SPONGE

It's not nearly as lovely as my new glasses!

SPONGE holds JAMES'S father's glasses high in the air.

SPIKER

Oh, dear. Look what I've done.

SPIKER holds up the scarf and then tears it into tiny pieces.

#23 – Scarf Tear (Sound FX)

JAMES

Stop, please don't.

SPONGE snaps the glasses in half.

#24 – Glass Break (Sound FX)

SPIKER

Now, you listen to me, James. Lying little nippers must be punished. So from now on, you will sleep outside.

The INSECTS stare at JAMES in silence.

LADYBUG

Look who's here!

GRASSHOPPER

My good boy, we've been waiting for you!

CENTIPEDE

The only thing I'm waitin' for is dinner. I'm starving—

SPIDER

But, whatever are we to eat?

The INSECTS all look to JAMES for advice. JAMES misinterprets their gaze thinking they mean to eat him.

JAMES

You're NOT going to eat ME!

JAMES goes into attack mode, flinging himself onto EARTHWORM!

Ahhhhhhh!

EARTHWORM

(JAMES wallops EARTHWORM)

Ahhh! Help! I'm being attacked! Help!

The INSECTS pull JAMES off of EARTHWORM.

GRASSHOPPER

Hold on everyone, calm down, calm down. I'm afraid there's been a bit of a misunderstanding.

EARTHWORM

(covering his eyes in fear)

What was that? Is it gone? Is it gone?!

SPIDER

Nothing to be afraid of, it's just a little boy.

CENTIPEDE

Little boys are the worst of his kind!

EARTHWORM

He does have a point.

CENTIPEDE

I'm eatin' him!

SPIDER

Take one step and I'll separate your head from your torso—

CENTIPEDE

Backin' off...

SPIDER

Proper introductions are in order.

LADYBUG

I will go first, I am royalty after all.

CENTIPEDE

Says who?

LADYBUG

I am a Lady. The Lady. Bug of the Order of the Nine-Spotters. You know, the more spots one has, the more respectable and intelligent one is.

(to JAMES)

And who might you be?

JAMES

I'm James. James Henry Trotter.

CENTIPEDE

Daft name.

GRASSHOPPER

I think it's a fine name. I'm Grasshopper.

SPIDER

And I'm Spider.

(looking into JAMES' eyes)

Look at them eyes. You're clever like a spider aren't you, James!

JAMES

I wouldn't know.

EARTHWORM

(his back to JAMES since he can't see very well)

I'm Earthworm. You gave me quite a scare, but I'm prone to irrational fits of fear.

(JAMES shakes EARTHWORMS hand)

Ah! What was that? What was that!

JAMES

It was just me, shaking your hand.

LADYBUG

I'm afraid he can't see very well... and well... he has

(whispering)

no spots.

EARTHWORM

(reacting to Ladybug's insult)

I may not see very well, but my hearing is impeccable, Ladybug.

CENTIPEDE

And I'm Centipede. Think of me as the guy who's gonna eat you while you're sleeping.

CENTIPEDE is face to face with JAMES.

JAMES

What are you?

GRASSHOPPER

We're insects, James. At least we were insects.

SPIDER

Until we ate the green things.

LADYBUG

Now I'm afraid we're something quite different.

JAMES

The crocodile tongues! You must have eaten the crocodile tongues. Of course!

GRASSHOPPER

So, James, tell us! What's your plan?

JAMES

Plan?

GRASSHOPPER

We must get away from those horrible women as soon as possible!

JAMES

(repeating what Spongers said to him)

Nobody wants to hear what I've got to say —

CENTIPEDE

I told you he wouldn't help us. We're doing it my way.

CENTIPEDE climbs to the top of the peach and begins to cut the stem of the peach.

SPIKER

What is that noise?

LADAHLORD

That noise was the giant peach, rolling ridic-u-matically towards Spiker and Sponge!
They gasped!

SPIKER & SPONGE

Gaaaaaaasp!

LADAHLORD

They screamed!

SPIKER & SPONGE

Screeeeeeeam!

LADAHLORD

They tried to run, but the peach was terror-ific-ly faster! It rolled right over them!
The peach flew through fences and fields frightening farm animals of all shapes and sizes!

FARM ANIMALS enter and scatter.

And then the peach veered left, heading directly towards the village! Where it crashed right through the walls of one of the world's most famous factories!

OOMPA-LOOMPAS and WILLY WONKA enter.

WILLY WONKA & OOMPA-LOOMPAS

OOMPA LOOMPA DOOPITY –

AHHHHHHHHHH!!!!

LADAHLORD

Now this building happened to be a famous chocolate factory,
but that's another story.

Back to the peach.

ALL

RIGHT BEFORE

LADAHLORD

The peach reached the chalky cliffs of Dover!

ALL

RIGHT BEFORE

LADAHLORD

It soared right over the edge of the cliff!