

Dinosaurs and all that Rubbish script extract

(Final scene)

Miss Lila: So, young man. What's your view?

Bernardo: Some of the factory people have got money now, so the rest of us can't afford to pay their prices. And that place up there spits out stuff in the soil and the water. My father can't even grow food for us any more. What would you think?

Miss Lila: Miss Anita?

Anita: I don't know. I can't even dream nice dreams any more.

Miss Lila: If you dream, you must dream things right. Dreaming and thinking must go together. World wasn't made for one person, or one creature. Bad dreams are worse than no dreams at all. Shake up, Miss Anita.

Amina: I'd like to dream the world all blooming and growing again. I'd like to dream away all the dirt and the greedy people. I'd like to dream Sandro and Marcello would be our friends again.

Anita: *(Wailing)* It'll never happen.

Bernardo and Miranda: Shut up, Anita.

Bernardo: Things have to change. We have to make them change. If they don't, we'll all be dead as dinosaurs.

Miranda, Amina: Right.

Miss Lila, Marco: Too right!!

Anita: Oh I suppose you're right, but it's too hard to do. I keep thinking it's all hopeless. I keep forgetting and stopping and nothing seems clear

Miss Lila: Hold on, Miss Anita -

MUSIC CUE – WORLD LET LOOSE

Hold tight to what you know
Never let it slip and slide
Never let it go

Hold tight to what you feel
Look at it and turn it round
And let it reassure you
It is real

We'll see a world let loose
A real rocking power
Free to choose

To blossom and flower

Things you thought had gone away
Will suddenly decide to stay
Jaguars and dinosaurs
Towering things you see in dreams
Will all come true

World let loose
A real rocking power
Free to choose
To blossom and flower

No planners or schemers
Just leopards and lemurs
And everything under the sun
Rose, and fishes
Magic and wishes –
Frolics, and freedom and fun

Rise up world, we're coming to free you
All our dreams are coming to be through
A world let loose, a real rocking power
Free to choose, blossom and flower

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Rise up world, we're coming to free you
All are dreams are coming to be through
A world let loose, a real rocking power
A world let loose, to blossom and flower

Everything from sky to the ground
Every creature lost shall be found

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END WORLD LET LOOSE

Anita: See. It's no good. Nothing's happened. There's nothing we can do. It's all hopeless. (*Runs off, wailing*)

Girls: (*Run after her, exasperated.*) Come back, Anita, you silly fool. Wait! (*Marco and Miss Lila follow, talking quietly, heads together*)

(*Cracking noises. Heaving under tips. **Dinosaur** head pops out.*)

First Pink Dinosaur: Pooh! This place stinks! There's nothing on this planet but a mess. OK boys. Let's get to it!

MUSIC CUE DINOSAUR MUSIC

(Small Pink Dinosaurs start the dance, followed by two Small Brown Dinosaurs, followed by two Large Green Dinosaurs followed by Large Purple Pterodactyl. Finally the two man Brontosaurus lumbers on.)

As they dance the Dinosaurs remove some of the rubbish from the stage, then chase on Desiree, Marcello and Sandro, frightening them into clearing the rest.

End Dinosaur dance, Dinosaurs all remain on stage.)

MUSIC CUE BUTTERFLY DANCE

Enter three very small Butterflies (alternatively, small boy dancers can dress as insects - Bees or Flying Bugs. They fly around the Dinosaurs and settle on stage.)

End Butterfly dance

MUSIC CUE ROCKET NOISE

Rocket noise, Rocket landing.

(Enter Little Fat Man, getting out of rocket.)

Man: Wow. This is more like it. I was right. This grass is really sweet. Trees all standing there. Birdies? *(All cast make bird noises)* Sure are plenty of birdies. Time to settle down. At last I've found my paradise.

Big Dinosaur: Whose paradise?

Man: Mine of course. I found it. *(Suddenly notices Big Dinosaur)*

Dinosaur: Say that again.

Man: It's mine, all mine.

Dinosaur: RUBBISH!

Man: What d'you mean by rubbish? Why, with a head as small as yours you can't possibly have enough brain to look after this star.

Dinosaur: Oh no. Our heads are the same size. But my heart is much bigger than yours. If you had been ruled by your heart instead of your head you would not have destroyed this paradise before.

Man: I destroyed it?

Dinosaurs and Butterflies: You did!

Man: You mean this is earth?

Dinos and Butterflies: Yes it is.

(People begin to gather slowly on stage)

Man: But it can't be.

Dinos etc: But it is.

Man: *(Looks around, touches plant, trees etc.)* Why so it is. The dinosaur is right *(to Dino)*. Please. May I have just a small part of it back. Please. Just a tree, or a hill, or a flower.

(People gathering shake heads frantically - No!)

Big Dinosaur: NO!

(People sigh with relief)

Big Dinosaur: Not a part of it, but all of it. It is all yours. *(Consternation from people)*

Big Dino: But is also all mine. Remember, the earth belongs to everyone, not parts of it to certain people, but all of it to everyone, to be enjoyed and cared for. EVERYONE!

People: EVERYONE! EVERYONE!

MUSIC CUE REPRISE WORLD LET LOOSE

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