VALKYRIE

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ACT I - SCENE II

SETTING: Worthington Kingdom.

AT RISE: ALLIE is alone on-stage.

A PLACE TO HIDE

ALLIE

Slow down, breathe out No one's looking at you now It's gonna be fine Just find a place to hide

Eyes closed, no one knows Take a moment, let it go It's gonna be fine Just find a place to hide

Forget where you are Pretend it's not real Escape from this nightmare There's a world somewhere

Where I can disappear Be someone else Be bold and be daring, but not myself Make dragons fall and stars collide And find, I'll find a place to hide

(WYATT enters)

WYATT Oh, there you are. You seem a little lost.

ALLIE You could say that. I have no idea where I'm going.

WYATT

No problem. I can show you the way, although, I don't have a lot of time - I can't be late or the queen will be furious. Last time I was late, she threatened to chop off my head!

ALLIE

What !? That sounds awful. But...that's an empty threat, right?

WYATT

I've seen her do it before. (beat) But anyway, no time to waste. Follow me, Miss Alice.

ALLIE

Allie. No one calls me Alice, except for...

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WYATT

No problem. Allie it is. Not really a time-saver, but I suppose whatever strikes your fancy.

ALLIE Um, could you slow down for just a second?

WYATT

Nope. Never have, never will. Chop chop, Miss Allie. The Queen waits for neither rabbit nor reason.

ALLIE

What does this have to do with me?

WYATT Nevermind, I'll explain later. Come quickly!

ALLIE

A strange place A wonderland I feel lost but I'll make a plan It's gonna be fine I'll find a place to hide

WYATT

We've got the dodo birds over there, if you just want to blend in with the flock.

ALLIE

Do I look like a dodo bird?

WYATT Don't ask me. And certainly don't ask the dodos. They don't know much of anything, I suspect. Does it matter?

ALLIE

What about them? Who are they?

WYATT The flowers? Look, I'd stay away if I were you. They can be pretty poisonous.

ALLIE

Poisonous flowers?

WYATT

Trust me, they're vile and awful and I need to be going. You'll find a way to fit in, I'm sure. Toodeloo, Allie. (exits)

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ALLIE

Things aren't getting clearer But there's a place somewhere

(RACERS enter, forming a line)

ALL

Where I can disappear Be someone else Be bold and be daring, but not myself Make dragons fall and stars collide And find

ALLIE

RACER 1

I'll find a place to hide

Look out!

RACER 2 Yeah, stay in your lane, weirdo!

ALLIE

My lane? But I don't see-

RACER 2 You'll figure it out, just stay out of my way.

ALLIE

But I don't even-

RACER 3 We're about to start. I need to concentrate.

CAUCUS LEADER

At your marks...!

RACERS

Day by day and line by line Keep running, running We're running out of time

ALLIE

Wait! There's a time limit?

RACERS

Day by day and line by line Keep running, running We're running out of time CAUCUS LEADER

Get ready go! RACERS Running, running, running CAUCUS LEADER Get ready go! RACERS Running, running, running ALLIE Go? CAUCUS LEADER Go! (RACERS start to run around a small track & ALLIE does her best to keep up) CAUCUS LEADER, contd. Racer 1 sure has a lead. ALLIE Where are we running to? RACER 2 Just keep running! CAUCUS LEADER Oh, Racer 3 is falling behind. racer 3 She distracted me! I call fowl! ALLIE What? I'm just trying to-(CAUCUS LEADER blows a whistle & everyone stops running) CAUCUS LEADER Racer 2 has pulled ahead and won the race! ALLIE Where is the finish line? I'm so confused. CAUCUS LEADER Well, don't be! Just get back in line.

ALLIE

CAUCUS LEADER

Back in-

At your marks...!

ALLIE

CAUCUS LEADER

Wait, I'm not-

Get ready...!

racer 3

Get out of the way, new girl.

ALLIE

I'm sorry.

CAUCUS LEADER

Get ready go!

(RACERS start running again & ALLIE gets knock to the ground. VAL enters)

ALLIE

Disappear Be someone else Be bold and be daring, but not myself

RACERS & CAUCUS LEADER Running, running, running Running, running, running

(VAL helps ALLIE stand)

VAL & ALLIE Make dragons fall and stars collide and find

ALL

Get ready go

VAL & ALLIE Running, running

ALL

Get ready go

VAL & ALLIE Running, running, running

ALLIE

And find a place to hide

(RACERS & CAUCUS LEADER run off, exiting)