# **Charlie and the Chocolate Factory**

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GRANDMA JOSEPHINE

He did!

GRANDPA GEORGE

He did.

GRANDMA GEORGINA

I love grapes!

GRANDPA JOE

(ignoring)

Of course, I was a much younger man in those days.

CUT TO:

9 INT. WONKA CANDY STORE - DAY [TWENTY YEARS AGO]

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CLOSE ON Grandpa Joe. He's 76, but still looks just as old.

As we PULL OUT, we reveal that he's working the main counter. The tiny store is overflowing with candy, filling the glass cases and every shelf around.

It's also crowded with DOZENS OF CUSTOMERS, all pushing and shoving to buy some of Wonka's fabulous candy. We can see a line stretching out the door.

GRANDPA JOE (V.O.)

Willy Wonka began with a single store on Cherry Street. But the whole world wanted his candy.

Grandpa Joe finds he's out of the bars he needs to finish an order. He ducks through a low door, heading into...

10 INT. CANDY STORE BACK ROOM - DAY [TWENTY YEARS AGO]

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The back room is a beehive of activity, with apron-wearing WORKERS carrying trays of freshly-made candy from the ovens to the racks, from racks to the wrapping tables. SUGAR-PULLERS whack heavy ropes of peppermint candy again marble slabs, while a clothesline full of giant lollipops WHIZZES past.

Grandpa Joe walks up behind a MAN wearing a velvet jacket.

GRANDPA JOE

Mr. Wonka!

# 15 EXT. A HALF-BUILT WALL - DAY [FIFTEEN YEARS AGO]

15

A MASON unwraps a giant chocolate bar, spreading ganache on the back with a trowel. He carefully sets this "brick" in place.

GRANDPA JOE (V.O.)

True to his word, the bricks were chocolate, and the cement holding them together was chocolate. All the walls and ceilings were made of chocolate as well.

# 16 INT. PALACE BEDROOM - DAY [FIFTEEN YEARS AGO]

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We MOVE THROUGH the room, which is decorated entirely in shades of brown and cream, headed towards the master bath.

GRANDPA JOE (V.O.)

So were the carpets and the pictures and the furniture. And when you turned on the taps in the bathroom...

WONKA'S HAND

turns the faucet. Steaming cocoa comes out.

WONKA'S VOICE

Hot chocolate. Precisely the most delicious temperature.

He's talking to Prince Pondicherry, who looks on in wonder.

PRINCE PONDICHERRY

It is perfect in every way.

WONKA'S VOICE

I warn you though, it won't last long. You'd better start eating right away.

PRINCE PONDICHERRY

Nonsense! I will not eat my palace!

(grandly)

I intend to live in it!

GRANDPA JOE (V.O.)

But Mr. Wonka was right, of course. Soon after this, there came a very hot day with a boiling sun.

### 17 INT. PALACE BEDROOM - DAY [FIFTEEN YEARS AGO]

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The Prince and his lovely PRINCESS are reclining on chocolate divans, eating packaged Wonka candies when a brown

DRIP

lands on the Prince's forehead. He wipes it off, and smiles at his beautiful bride.

A beat later, a sizable CLUMP of chocolate whacks the prince on the side of the head. Both royals hightail it as the entire room begins to collapse around them.

Like a delicious, fudgy disaster movie, the two royals barely escape as walls and pillars come CRASHING down.

# 18 EXT. THE KNOLL - DAY [FIFTEEN YEARS AGO]

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Covered with chocolate goo, Prince Pondicherry watches as his dream disintegrates into a brown puddle.

GRANDPA JOE (V.O.)

The prince sent an urgent telegram requesting a new palace...but Willy Wonka was facing troubles of his own.

### 19 EXT. FACTORY GATES - DAY [FIFTEEN YEARS AGO]

19

Done for the day, one shift of FACTORY WORKERS heads home. We see Grandpa Joe walking with two FRIENDS, laughing at a joke. Behind them, a SHIFTY-EYED WORKER surreptitiously hands off

A SLIP OF PAPER

to a nearby bush, where a man's hand reaches out to grab it.

GRANDPA JOE (V.O.)

All the other chocolate makers, you see, had grown jealous of Mr. Wonka. They began sending in spies to steal his secret recipes.

Charlie says his goodnights, giving each old person a hug. He saves his last for loopy Grandma Georgina. With sudden clarity, she WHISPERS to him...

GRANDMA GEORGINA Nothing's impossible, Charlie. Nothing.

Charlie gives her a strange look as he follows his parents out of the room. With one last look back, he switches off the light.

### A23 INT. CHARLIE'S LOFT - NIGHT

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Charlie climbs up into his little bed, which is set up in the rafters of the tiny, sway-backed house. The sloped ceiling is covered with fanciful sketches of Wonka's factory, and flattened wrappers from the few Wonka bars Charlie's eaten.

He looks out through a small round window. The Wonka factory dominates the view.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Indeed, that very night, the impossible had already been set in motion.

We PUSH THROUGH the window...

### 23 EXT. THE LITTLE HOUSE - NIGHT

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...flying up like a bat. We drift along the stone walls of the Wonka factory, coming to the far corner. There, on an empty snow-lined street, we find A YOUNG MAN ON A BICYCLE. He's dressed in wool, with a messenger bag over his shoulder. And he's not alone.

There are DOZENS of bicyclists, all identically dressed, riding in a phalanx through the night. As they reach an intersection, they branch off in different directions, headed for each part of the city.

### 24 EXT. CHERRY STREET - NIGHT

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The shops are all closed for the night. The street is quiet, until we hear the gentle TAPPING of hammers.

36	INT. SOME KID'S BEDROOM - DAY	36
	A BOY smashes his piggy bank with a hammer.	*
37	INT. BACK ROOM - DAY	37 *
	A BOXCUTTER slices through a cardboard Wonka shipping box. Twenty hands reach in to grab the bars.	
38	OMIT	38 *

### 39 THE VINTAGE GLOBE

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spinning once again. This time, we land on England, and a marker labelled: "BUCKINGHAMSHIRE."

CUT TO:

### 40 INT. COUNTRY MANSION - DAY

40

VERUCA SALT (9) stands atop a grand piano, waving the Golden Ticket above her head as she grins from ear to ear. She's delighted to have so many PHOTOGRAPHERS snapping her picture.

### **VERUCA**

V-E-R-U-C-A. Veruca Salt.

With the face of an angel, Veruca can be charming and friendly as long as everyone agrees that the universe revolves around her. Question that cosmology, and she reveals herself to be a spoiled hellion, who will stop at nothing until she gets exactly what she wants.

MR. SALT (55) is an old-monied nut baron, first cousin to the monocled Monopoly tycoon, with a fuddy-duddy accent and a fondness for idiotic platitudes. Lovely Veruca is the apple of his eye. He overlooks her tantrums and cruelty.

With his teetering, martini-swilling WIFE on his arm, he talks to the reporters:

MR. SALT

As soon as my little Veruca told me that she had to have one of these Golden Tickets, I started buying up all the Wonka bars I could lay my hands on! Thousands of them.
Hundreds of thousands!

41 INT. SALT NUT FACTORY - DAY [PAST]

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Trucks unload cases and cases of Wonka bars. We follow the boxes as they are unloaded onto a conveyor belt, where dozens of HAIRNET-WEARING WOMEN are lined up to begin work.

MR. SALT (V.O.)

I'm in the nut business, you see, So I say to my workers...

REVEAL Mr. Salt, giving the marching orders:

MR. SALT

Good morning, ladies. From now on you can stop shelling peanuts and start shelling the wrappers off these chocolate bars instead!

As ordered, they begin ripping the wrappers off the Wonka They toss the chocolate into trash bins.

> MR. SALT (V.O.) Three days went by, and we had no luck. Oh, it was terrible! My little Veruca got more and more upset each day. Every time I went home she would scream at me...

> > CUT TO:

42 INT. COUNTRY MANSION - DAY [PAST]

Veruca is throwing an epic tantrum.

**VERUCA** 

Where's my Golden Ticket! I want my Golden Ticket!

BACK TO:

43 INT. COUNTRY MANSION - DAY [PRESENT]

MR. SALT

Well, gentlemen, I just hated to see my little girl feeling unhappy like that. I vowed I would keep up the search until I could give her what she wanted. And finally, I found her a ticket.

A44 INT. SALT NUT FACTORY - DAY [PAST]

> Of course, it's one of Mr. Salt's UNWRAPPERS who finds it. With a quick glance around, she tries to pocket the ticket. Suddenly, Mr. Salt grabs her wrist from behind.

They lock eyes.

The ticket FLUTTERS to the ground.

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# 44 INT. COUNTRY MANSION - DAY [PAST]

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Mr. Salt hands Veruca the shiny gold ticket. For just a moment, she is lovely again. Radiant. She looks into her father's eyes and says:

CHARLIE

It's my candy bar and I'll do what
I want with it.

He SNAPS the bar into seven pieces. The grown-ups share a look -- Charlie really is one of a kind.

CUT TO:

46 EXT. STREET CORNER NEWSTAND - DAY

46

A BUSINESSMAN holds the morning paper up to read the inside. On the front page, the headlines scream:

# TWO GOLDEN TICKETS FOUND Only one ticket left

Finished reading, the businessman half-folds his paper and drops it in a nearby bin. Before it hits bottom, Charlie catches it and reads the headline.

CUT TO:

47 INT. GRANDPARENTS' BEDROOM - DAY

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GRANDPA JOE

All right, let's hear who found them.

Father holds the newspaper up close to his face because his eyes are bad and he can't afford glasses.

FATHER

The third ticket was found by Miss Violet Beauregarde.

CUT TO:

48 THE VINTAGE GLOBE

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back in motion. This time, we slow on the East Coast of America, finding a marker for: "ATLANTA."

CUT TO:

VIOLET

I'm the junior world-champion gum chewer. This piece of gum...

(pointing to her mouth)
I've been working on for over three months solid. That's a record.

CUT TO:

MS. BEAUREGARDE

Of course, I did have my share of trophies. Mostly baton.

CUT TO:

VIOLET

So it says that one kid is going to get a special prize better than all the rest. I don't care who the other four are. That kid is going to be me.

MS. BEAUREGARDE

Tell 'em why, Violet.

VIOLET

Because I'm a winner.

CUT TO:

52 INT. THE GRANDPARENTS' BEDROOM - DAY

GRANDMA JOSEPHINE

What a beastly girl.

GRANDMA GEORGINA

Despicable!

GRANDPA GEORGE

You don't know what we're talking about!

GRANDMA GEORGINA

(venturing a guess)

Dragonflies?

GRANDPA JOE

And who got the fourth Golden Ticket?

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**FATHER** 

(reads newspaper)
The fourth Golden Ticket was found
by a boy named Mike Teavee.

CUT TO:

53 THE VINTAGE GLOBE

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swirling below us. This time, we sweep across the U.S. to find a marker in the Midwest for: "DENVER."

CUT TO:

54 INT. MIKE TEAVEE'S LIVING ROOM - DAY

54 \*

MIKE TEAVEE, 13, looks right past camera, leaning left and right to get a better view of the absurdly violent videogame he's playing on his own television.

The intellectual equivalent of a grade-school bully, Mike lords his cleverness over those around him and is always the first to point out gaps in logic.

MIKE

All you had to do is track the manufacturing dates, offset by weather and the derivative the Nikkei index. A retard could figure it out.

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In the doorway, Mike's dad MR. TEAVEE talks to reporters. He's a pale, simple sort of man, happy enough to spend Sunday in the la-z-boy watching the game.

MR. TEAVEE

Most of the time, I don't know what he's talking about. Kids these days, what with all the technology...

Mike jams the buttons on his videogame controller.

MIKE

Die! Die! Die!

MR. TEAVEE

...doesn't seem like they stay kids very long.

Finished killing the level boss, Mike continues his story:

MIKE

I only had to buy one candy bar.

REPORTER

And how did it taste?

MIKE

I don't know. I hate chocolate.

CUT TO:

55 INT. GRANDPARENTS' BEDROOM - DAY

GRANDPA GEORGE

Well, it's a good thing you're going to a CHOCOLATE FACTORY, you ungrateful little...

Father quickly puts his hands over Charlie's ears. Everything goes SILENT while Grandpa George continues his obscenity-filled tirade. The old man finally stops. Father takes his hands off Charlie's ears.

CHARLIE

Dad?

FATHER

Yup?

CHARLIE

Why aren't you at work?

**FATHER** 

Oh. The toothpaste factory gave me some time off.

CHARLIE

Like summer vacation?

**FATHER** 

Sure. Like that.

Charlie doesn't catch it, but the small wince in Father's expression betrays this as untrue.

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Charlie's heard enough. He walks away, defeated. He misses the rest of the conversation:

SECOND MAN (CONT'D)

But then, I was watching the news this afternoon, and it turns out the ticket was a forgery.

FIRST MAN

You're kidding!

SECOND MAN

People these days, y'know?

CUT TO:

61 EXT. CITY STREET - DUSK

61

Charlie walks with the icy wind blowing in his face. His eye suddenly catches a piece of paper lying in the gutter, half-buried in the snow.

Charlie steps off the curb and bends down to examine it. He sees at once what it is:

A TEN-DOLLAR BILL.

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Charlie quickly looks around. Has somebody dropped it? No, that's impossible because of the way it is buried.

Several PEOPLE hurry past him on the sidewalk, their chins sunk deep in the collars of their coats. None of them take the slightest notice of the small boy crouching in the gutter.

Carefully, Charlie pulls the bill out from under the snow. It is damp and dirty, but otherwise perfect.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Ten dollars was more money than Charlie Bucket had ever held. In that moment, he felt rich.

WIDER,

we find that we're in front of a newspaper and stationery stand. The kind that sells almost everything, including candy and cigars. In fact, there's a big sign proclaiming: WONKA BARS!

### GRANDPA JOE

Hard to say. It's been years!

We continue to Augustus Gloop, who takes another candy bar from his mother. Next to them, we find the Beauregardes. Violet and her mother wear matching blue tracksuits.

### MS. BEAUREGARDE

Eyes on the prize, Violet. Eyes on the prize.

Finally, we come to Mike Teavee and his father, who looks much more excited to be here than his son.

Suddenly, with a CLANG of great gears, the gates begin to swing open. Violet and her mother push past the others to be the first to step onto the Wonka factory grounds. Charlie and Grandpa Joe are the last ones in.

### 73 EXT. WONKA FACTORY YARD - DAY

Charlie glances back over his shoulder and sees the great iron entrance gates slowly close. The crowds on the street still push and SHOUT. Then, as the gates close with a CLANG, all sight of the outside world has disappeared.

The ten visitors walk along a snowy path, headed for the giant building ahead. The place seems deserted, yet perfectly maintained.

### GRANDPA JOE

Nothing's changed at all!
(he points)
That's the bench we used to sit on when we would talk about Lindberg!

### MR. SALT

It must have been  $\underline{\text{very}}$  interesting. Back then.

### 74 UP AHEAD

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The giant doors to the main factory building begin to open. Smoke and steam curl into the cold air. WONKA'S VOICE is carried over loudspeakers:

### WONKA'S VOICE

Dear visitors, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to my humble factory.

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WONKA

Oh yes! That was fantastic!
(to Mr. Teavee)
I was worried it was getting a

little dodgy in the middle part, but then! The finale, well...

VIOLET

Who are you?

GRANDPA JOE

(excited)

He's Willy Wonka!

CHARLIE

Really?

Wonka checks the label on the inside of his jacket, which reads "Willy Wonka."

WONKA

I am!

**VERUCA** 

Then shouldn't you be up there?

She points to the stage.

WONKA

I couldn't very well watch the show from up there, now could I, little girl?

Wonka starts to take off his sunglasses, but finds the glare too bright -- he hasn't been out in years.

GRANDPA JOE

Mr. Wonka, I don't know if you remember me, but I used to work here in the factory.

Suddenly very serious...

WONKA

Were you one of those despicable spies, who every day tried to steal my life's work and sell it to those parasitic copycat candymaking cads?

GRANDPA JOE

No, sir!

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WONKA

Then wonderful! Welcome back. Hurry along, now. All of you.

WONKA

I have to keep it warm inside. My workers are used to an extremely hot climate. They can't stand the cold!

CHARLIE

Who are the workers?

WONKA

All in good time. Now...

Violet does an end-run around Wonka.

VIOLET

Mr. Wonka, I'm Violet Beauregarde.

WONKA

Oh, I don't care.

Without warning, she hugs him around the waist. Wonka emits a terrified SHRIEK. (He doesn't like to be touched.)

VIOLET

Well, you should care, because I'm the girl who's going to win the special prize at the end.

Peeling her off...

WONKA

You do seem confident. And confidence is key.

Ms. Beauregarde is beaming. Veruca pushes her way past Violet. Wonka takes a nervous step back.

**VERUCA** 

I'm Veruca Salt. It's very nice to meet you, sir.

She curtseys.

WONKA

I always thought veruca was a type of wart you got on the sole of your foot.

Now Augustus wedges his way in...

AUGUSTUS

I am Augustus Gloop! I love de chocolate!

WONKA

So do I! I never expected to have so much in common.

Though he was reluctant to learn their names, Wonka now seems quite interested in the children. Pointing...

WONKA (CONT'D)

You, you're Mike Teavee. The genius who cracked the system. Quite impressive.

Mike just shrugs. Wonka finally comes to Charlie.

WONKA (CONT'D)

And you. Well. You're just lucky to be here, aren't you? And the rest of you must be their p-p-p-...

Afraid to interrupt Wonka, no one jumps in to finish his word.

WONKA (CONT'D)

P-p-p-p-p-p-p-p-p-...

Finally...

MR. SALT

Parents?

WONKA

Yes, p-p-p... (gives up)

Mothers and fathers.

For just a moment, Wonka seems completely transported, lost in a distant memory...

WONKA (CONT'D)

Father. Father? Father, but I...

Just as suddenly, he snaps out of it.

WONKA (CONT'D)

Okay, then. Let's move along.

Charlie feels a little slighted, but Grandpa Joe takes him by the shoulder. They follow Wonka as he leads them down a long hall.

Below the waterfall, a whole mass of enormous glass pipes dangle down into the river from somewhere high up in the ceiling. They suck up the brownish muddy water from the river and carry it away to goodness knows where.

One can hear the never-ending SUCK-SUCK-SUCKING sound of the pipes as they do their work.

CHARLIE

It's beautiful.

WONKA

What's more, it's all eatable! (is that a word?) Edible? Well, it's delicious!

Graceful trees and bushes grow along the riverbanks -- weeping willows and alders and tall clumps of rhododendrons with their pink and red and mauve blossoms. In the meadows are thousands of buttercups.

WONKA (CONT'D)

I can't abide ugliness in factories. Who in their right mind would want to eat an ugly thing? After all, you are what you eat!

Wonka leads them down a path towards the river.

WONKA (CONT'D)

Every drop of that river is hot melted chocolate of the finest quality.

(pointing)

Those pipes suck up the chocolate and carry it away all over the factory! Thousands of gallons an hour.

The children and their parents are completely bowled over by the hugeness of the whole thing.

WONKA (CONT'D)

The waterfall is most important! It mixes the chocolate! Makes it light and frothy! No other factory in the world mixes its chocolate by waterfall!

(MORE)

### WONKA (CONT'D)

And do you like my meadow? Try a blade! Oh, please do! It's all delectable! And darn good-looking!

As Wonka talks, everyone is sampling the local flora. Veruca picks petals off candy-flowers, while Augustus gets down on all fours, chewing the grass.

Nearby, Ms. Beauregarde and Mr. Salt sample delicious leaves. Ever flirtatious, Ms. Beauregarde makes a point of licking the sugar from her fingers.

MS. BEAUREGARDE

I can see where Veruca gets her looks. Everyone says Violet has my eyes.

MR. SALT

Maybe you should ask for them back.

Elsewhere, Mike squashes a candy toadstool and SNAPS off candy branches, just because he can.

Charlie is about to pick one piece of fruit when evercompetitive Violet snatches it first. She tucks her gum behind her ear for safe-keeping.

CHARLIE

Why do you hold onto it? Why not start a new piece?

VIOLET

Then I wouldn't be a champion. I'd be a loser. Like you.

Mrs. Gloop shoves candy into her purse.

While trying some samples of their own, Mr. Teavee and Grandpa Joe look out over the "valley."

MR. TEAVEE

Said you used to work here?

GRANDPA JOE

None of this was here before. I can't believe how much has changed.

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the air is filled with SCREAMS of excitement. Veruca Salt points frantically to the other side of the river.

VERUCA

Daddy, look over there! What is it? It's a little person! Down there below the waterfall!

Everybody stops picking buttercups and stares across the river.

MS. BEAUREGARDE

There's two of them!

MR. TEAVEE

There's more than two.

WONKA'S VOICE (CONT'D)
They were living on green

caterpillars, which tasted revolting.

81 INT. OOMPA-LOOMPA CHIEF'S HOUSE - DAY [PAST]

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His knees at his Adam's apple, Wonka scrunches in to share a meal with the OOMPA-LOOMPA CHIEF, who looks exactly like all the other Oompa-Loompas, except for his ornate headdress.

The Chief is mashing caterpillars with a mortar and pestle.

WONKA'S VOICE

The Oompa-Loompas kept looking for other things to mash up with the caterpillars to make them taste better -- red beetles, eucalyptus leaves, the bark of the bong-bong tree -- all of them beastly, but not quite so beastly as the caterpillars.

The Chief offers Wonka a taste of the caterpillar goo.

WONKA'S VOICE (CONT'D)

The food they longed for the most was the cocoa bean. An Oompa-Loompa was lucky if he found three or four cocoa beans a year. But oh, how they craved them. They used to dream about cocoa beans all night and talk about them all day

BACK TO:

82 INT. THE CHOCOLATE ROOM - DAY

82

In a meadow by the river, everyone but Augustus listens to Wonka's story.

WONKA

The cocoa bean happens to be the thing from which chocolate is made. So I said...

BACK TO: \*

83 INT. CHIEF'S HOUSE - DAY 83 \* Wonka talks to the Chief. WONKA Look here, if you and your people will come live in my factory, you can have all the cocoa beans you want! I'll even pay your wages in cocoa beans if you wish! The Chief considers for a moment, then eagerly shakes Wonka's hand. BACK TO: 84 OMIT 84 85 INT. THE CHOCOLATE ROOM - DAY 85 WONKA They are wonderful workers. I must warn you though, they are rather mischievous. Always making jokes. Veruca tugs on her daddy's sleeve. **VERUCA** Daddy! Daddy! I want an Oompa-Loompa. I want you to get me an Oompa-Loompa! MR. SALT Now, now pet. We mustn't interrupt Mr. Wonka. **VERUCA** But I want an Oompa-Loompa! MIKE (mocking her accent) I want an Oompa-Loompa! Veruca glares at Mike, who is startled. That's one spooky little girl.

Mrs. Gloop calls down to the riverbank --

MRS. GLOOP

Augustus! Augustus, mein schatz. Dat is not a good thing you do!

August Gloop is kneeling on the riverbank, scooping hot melted chocolate into his mouth as fast as he can.

WONKA

Please, boy, please! My chocolate must be untouched by human hands!

MRS. GLOOP

Come away from dat river at vonce!

But Augustus is deaf to everything except the call of his enormous stomach. He lies full-length on the ground with his head far out over the river and laps up the chocolate like a dog.

MR. TEAVEE

Careful, son. You're leaning too far out!

Mr. Teavee is absolutely right. For suddenly there is a SHRIEK, and then a SPLASH. Augustus Gloop disappears under the brown surface.

Everyone runs to the riverbank...

MRS. GLOOP

He'll drown! He can't svim! Save him! Save him!

The wretched boy is sucked closer and closer toward the mouth of one of the great pipes that dangles down into the river.

Grandpa Joe pulls off his shoes, ready to make a desperate rescue. Mr. Teavee does the same. For his part, Mr. Salt fusses with his tie just a bit.

CHARLIE

Look! The Oompa-Loompas!

The Oompa-Loompas are pulling on swimming caps. One by one, they dive gracefully into the chocolate river, swimming toward Augustus.

As he floats in the chocolate river, Augustus is divided between his instinct to breathe and his instinct to eat. He alternately gasps and gobbles.

86 THEN ALL AT ONCE,

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the powerful suction takes hold of him completely. He is pulled under the surface and then into the mouth of the pipe.

The crowd on the riverbank waits breathlessly to see where he comes out.

VIOLET

There he goes!

And sure enough, because the pipe is made of glass, Augustus Gloop is seen clearly shooting up inside it, head first like a torpedo.

MRS. GLOOP

Help! Call the fire brigade!

MS. BEAUREGARDE

It's a wonder how that pipe is big enough.

CHARLIE

It's not big enough! He's slowing down!

MIKE

He's gonna stick.

MR. TEAVEE

I think he has.

MR. SALT

He's blocked the whole pipe!

Indeed, chocolate is SWISHING around the boy in the pipe. The pressure is terrific. Something has to give.

From a HIGH ANGLE, we look down on Augustus. In the river below, we see the Oompa-Loompas have circled the pipe. Like swimmers in an Esther Williams movie, they begin to perform a series of elaborate and beautiful synchronized formations: flowers, spirals, starbursts. It's oddly glorious.

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gather on the shore. Mike seems particularly perturbed by their proximity. MIKE Back off, you little freaks! **VERUCA** What are they doing? WONKA Why, I believe they're going to treat us to a song! It's quite a special occasion, of course. They haven't had a fresh audience in years! OOMPA-LOOMPAS (singing) Augustus Gloop! Augustus Gloop! The great big greedy nincompoop! August Gloop! So big and vile. So greedy, foul and infantile! 'Come on!' we cried, 'The time is ripe To send him shooting up the pipe!' (soloist) But don't, dear children, be alarmed; (all) Augustus Gloop will not be harmed. Augustus Gloop will not be harmed. The Oompa-Loompas sing and dance with the precise synchronicity of a Busby-Berkley musical. Meanwhile, Augustus is still stuck in the pipe, BANGING on the glass. MRS. GLOOP Augustus! Mein kleines schweinchen! WHOOF! Augustus suddenly shoots up like a bullet in the barrel of a qun. He disappears as the pipe passes through the ceiling. Everyone GASPS.

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MORE OOMPA-LOOMPAS

OOMPA-LOOMPAS

Although, of course, we must admit

He will be altered quite a bit.

Slowly, wheels go round and round,

And cogs begin to grind and pound;

The synchronized singers act as the "machinery" doing dastardly things.

OOMPA-LOOMPAS (CONT'D)

We'll boil him for a minute more,
Until we're absolutely sure.
Then out he comes! By God! By grace!
A miracle has taken place!
A miracle has taken place!
This greedy brute, this louse's ear,
Is loved by people everywhere!
For who could hate or bear a grudge
Against a luscious bit of...

88 THE SONG ENDS. 88\*

...Fu-uuh-uhh-uhh-dge!

With a quick bow, the Oompa-Loompas disperse, leaving the visitors bewildered. Wonka, however, is APPLAUDING heartily.

WONKA

Bravo! Well done! Aren't they
delightful? Aren't they charming?

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MR. TEAVEE
They sure are a musical people.

Mrs. Gloop is apoplectic.

MRS. GLOOP

Ach! Ver is my son? Ver does that pipe go to? He vill be made into marshmallows!

WONKA

Impossible! Unthinkable! He could never be made into marshmallows. That pipe doesn't go to the Marshmallow Room. It doesn't go anywhere near it.

She seems a little relieved.

WONKA (CONT'D)

That pipe happens to lead directly to the room where I make the most delicious kind of strawberry-flavored chocolate-coated fudge.

MRS. GLOOP

Then he'll be made into strawberryflavored chocolate-coated fudge! They'll be selling him by the pound all over the vorld...

WONKA

I wouldn't allow it. The taste would be terrible. Just imagine it! Augustus-flavored chocolate-coated Gloop! No one would buy it.

Ms. Beauregarde puts a sympathetic hand on Mrs. Gloop's shoulder.

MS. BEAUREGARDE

He's right. They wouldn't.

Wonka CLICKS his fingers three times. Immediately, a new Oompa-Loompa appears, as if from nowhere, and stands beside him.

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The Oompa-Loompa bows and smiles, showing his beautiful teeth. The top of his head comes just above Wonka's knee.

WONKA

I want you to take Mrs. Gloop up to the Fudge Room and help her find her son. Take a long stick and start poking around inside the big chocolate-mixing barrel. I'm almost certain you'll find him there.

The Oompa-Loompa gives a strange kind of salute, then scurries off. Wonka gestures for Mrs. Gloop to follow him. She runs, disappearing around the bend in the path.

MR. SALT

I do say, that all seemed rather rehearsed.

MIKE

Like they knew what was going to happen to him.

WONKA

Nonsense! Improvisation is a parlor trick. Anyone can do it. You, little girl.

(points to Violet)
Say something. Anything at all.

She takes the gum from behind her ear and pops it in her mouth.

VIOLET

Chewing gum.

WONKA

(singing)

Chewing gum is really gross, Chewing gum, I hate the most! (finished)

See? Exactly the same.

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MIKE

No it isn't.

WONKA

You really shouldn't mumble. I can't understand a word you're saying. Now, on with the tour!

Before anyone can protest further, Wonka heads down to a dock built on the chocolate river.

CHARLIE

(to Grandpa Joe)
Are the Oompa-Loompas really
joking, Grandpa?

GRANDPA JOE

Of course they're joking. That boy will be fine.

Grandpa Joe takes Charlie's hand, just in case.

### 89 INT. THE RIVER DOCK - DAY

89

In the distance, a steamy fog rises up from the great warm chocolate river. Out of the mist appears a most fantastic pink boat.

Built like a Viking ship of old, it looks to be made of bright, pink glass. (In fact, it's sugar.) There are many oars on either side of it, and as the boat comes closer, we can see the oars are pulled by masses of identical OOMPA-LOOMPAS -- at least six of them to each oar.

The boat glides up to the dock, where Wonka is changing into an outfit better suited for sailing.

The Oompa-Loompas rest on their oars and stare up at the visitors. Then suddenly, for some reason best known to themselves, they all burst into shrieks of LAUGHTER.

VIOLET

What's so funny?

WONKA

Oh, don't worry about them!
They're always laughing! I think
it's from all the cocoa beans.

(MORE)

WONKA

Child stars, former celebrities, the usual lot.

Five seconds later, a bright red door comes into sight straight ahead. The sign reads:

INVENTING ROOM
PRIVATE -- KEEP OUT!

Wonka waves his gold-topped cane in the air and SHOUTS --

WONKA (CONT'D)

Stop the boat! This you have to see!

96 INT. THE INVENTING ROOM - DAY

96

The place is like a witch's kitchen: black metal pots BOIL and BUBBLE on huge stoves, kettles HISS, pan SIZZLE, strange iron machines CLANK and SPUTTER.

Wonka hops through the saucepans and the machines like a child among Christmas presents, not knowing which thing to look at first. He lifts the lid from a huge pot and takes a good sniff, then rushes over and dips a finger into a barrel of sticky yellow stuff and has a taste.

## WONKA

This is the most important room in the entire factory, where I develop all my secret new inventions! Prodnose and Fickelgruber would give their front teeth to be allowed inside for just three minutes!

The group breaks into smaller clusters as the visitors investigate different strange contraptions.

Amid all the fancy devices, Charlie is examining a rather dusty, plain-looking one. Wonka leans over his shoulder.

WONKA

That was my very first invention: a candy ribbon-er. Turn the crank.

The handle SQUEAKS a bit as Charlie turns it. Wonka feeds a bit of pliable sugar into the opening.

The gears pull it through a series of wheels, emerging on the far side as flat, folded ribbon candy. It's an incredibly simple but elegant device. Charlie is fascinated.

Wonka can't himself: with a handkerchief, he wipes Charlie's fingerprints off the crank.

Violet calls out...

VIOLET \*

Mr. Wonka! What is this?

Their private moment broken, Wonka and Charlie join the other children around a small shiny machine that goes PHUT-PHUT-PHUT. Every time it goes PHUT, a large green marble-like candy drops out of it into a basket on the floor. Wonka picks one up.

WONKA (CONT'D)
Everlasting Gobstoppers! They're
for children who are given very
little allowance money.

(MORE)

### A TINY DRAWER

pops out of the side of the machine. In the drawer lies something so small and thin and grey that everyone thinks it must be a mistake. It looks like a little strip of grey cardboard.

MIKE

You mean that's it?

WONKA

That's it? Don't you know what "it" is?

VIOLET

It's gum!

WONKA

Yes! It's a stick of gum!

Violet and her mother are psyched -- they're back in the zone.

WONKA (CONT'D)

It's a stick of the most amazing and sensational gum in the world! For you see, this gum is a whole three-course dinner all by itself!

MR. SALT

Why would anyone want that?

WONKA

It will be the end of all kitchens and all cooking! Just a little strip of Wonka's magic chewing gum - and that's all you'll ever need at breakfast, lunch, and dinner! This piece of gum happens to be tomato soup, roast beef, and blueberry pie!

No one notices as Violet takes her own world-record piece of chewing gum out of her mouth and sticks it behind her left ear.

MR. TEAVEE

What do you mean, it's tomato soup, roast beef, and blueberry pie?

WONKA

If you were to start chewing it, then that is exactly what you would get. You could taste it perfectly! It would fill you up! It's terrific.

GRANDPA JOE

It sounds great.

**VERUCA** 

It sounds weird.

VIOLET

It sounds like my kind of qum.

Violet grabs the stick out of the drawer.

WONKA

I would rather you didn't. There are still one or two things...

VIOLET

I'm the world-record holder in chewing gum. I'm not afraid of anything!

Before Wonka can stop her,

98 VIOLET POPS IT INTO HER MOUTH.

At once, her well-trained jaws start chewing away on it like a pair of tongs.

MS. BEAUREGARDE

How is it, honey?

VIOLET

It's amazing. Tomato soup! I can feel it running down my throat!

WONKA

You really should spit it out.

GRANDPA JOE

Young lady, I think you better...

VIOLET

(still chewing)

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WONKA

Squeeze her. We've got to squeeze the juice out of her immediately. But don't worry, ma'am. We've had lots of practice with this.

Already, ten Oompa-Loompas roll the enormous blueberry across the floor and out the door.

VIOLET

Mother!

Ms. Beauregarde hurries after them.

TRANSITION TO:

100 INT. ANOTHER HALLWAY - DAY

100

Walking just as briskly as ever, Wonka leads the remaining party to a new section of the factory.

There are doors every twenty feet or so along the corridor now, and they each have something written on them, and strange CLANKING noises come from behind several of them. Sometimes little jets of colored steam shoot out from the cracks underneath.

WONKA

Without the boat, we'll have to move double-time just to keep on schedule. There's really far too much to see.

Charlie almost has to run to keep up with him.

CHARLIE

Mr. Wonka?

WONKA

Yes!

CHARLIE

Why did you decide to let people in?

WONKA

So they could see the factory, of course!

CHARLIE

But why now? And why only five?

Wonka stops.

WONKA

Do you always ask so many questions?

CHARLIE

Yes.

MIKE

What's the special prize? And who gets it?

WONKA

The best kind of prize is a surprise.

Feeling left out...

**VERUCA** 

Will Violet always be a blueberry?

WONKA

She'll be a rich shade of purple. But that's what you get from chewing gum all day. Disgusting.

MIKE

If you hate gum so much, why do you make it?

Stumped...

WONKA

Once again, you really shouldn't mumble!

Wonka notices another door he hadn't planned to show. But now that they've stopped...

WONKA (CONT'D)

Oooh! I am very proud of my Square Candies That Look Round. Let's take a peek.

## 101 INT. SQUARE CANDY ROOM - DAY

101

Wonka leads the group up to a long table with rows and rows of small white square-shaped candies. The candies look very much like sugar cubes -- except that each of them has a funny little pink face painted on one side.

At the end of the table, a number of Oompa-Loompas busily paint more faces on more candies.

WONKA

There you are! Square candies that look round.

MIKE

No they don't.

MR. TEAVEE

They don't look round to me.

VERUCA

They look square. They look completely square.

WONKA

But they are square. I never said they weren't.

**VERUCA** 

You said they were round.

WONKA

I never said anything of the sort. I said they <u>looked</u> round.

VERUCA

But they don't look round! They look square!

WONKA

They look round.

**VERUCA** 

They most certainly do not look round.

MR. SALT

He's lying to you, Veruca. Pay no attention to Mr. Wonka.

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As Mr. Salt moves to comfort Veruca, all the rows and rows of little square candies quickly turn to look at him.

MR. TEAVEE

Holy...

WONKA

There you are! They're looking 'round! There's no argument about it! They are square candies that look 'round!

GRANDPA JOE

By golly, he's right!

**VERUCA** 

Well, I wouldn't want to eat one.

WONKA

They wouldn't want to eat you either!

MR. TEAVEE

Mr. Wonka, no offense, but you make some really strange candy.

WONKA

I suppose I make whatever I feel like. Always have, right from the start.

CHARLIE

What was the first candy you ever ate?

WONKA

I'm sure I don't remember.

All the square candies look at each other -- yeah, right.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

In fact, Willy Wonka remembered precisely the first candy he ever ate.

TRANSITION TO:

102 INT. WONKA FAMILY LIVING ROOM - DAY [THIRTY YEARS AGO]

Still wearing his draconian headgear, Little Willy sweeps the ashes out of the fireplace, dumping them into a bucket.

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108 EXT. CHERRY STREET - DAY [THIRTY YEARS AGO] 108 Little Willy checks his reflection in the candy shop's window. He takes the lollipop out of his mouth and sticks out his tongue, which is now six different colors. He LAUGHS to himself as we transition... BACK TO: 109 INT. SQUARE CANDY ROOM - DAY 109 Wonka looks around, disoriented. By the puzzled looks on people's faces, he's been "gone" for a minute or two. WONKA I apologize. I was having a... flashback. MR. SALT I see. Mr. Salt moves his daughter away from the crazy man. MR. TEAVEE These flashbacks happen often? WONKA Increasingly. Today. 110 INT. FACTORY HALLWAY - DAY 110 Wonka is back to his senses, leading the visitors further. WONKA These are all the additions and inserts: the nougats, the sprinkles, the whistle-y centers... MR. SALT Ah, now here's a room I know all For you see, Mr. Wonka, I myself am in the nut business. He hands Wonka a business card. MR. SALT (CONT'D) Tell me, are you using the Havermax

4000 to do your sorting?

MR. SALT

Veruca, dear. You have many wonderful pets.

Veruca begins to cry fiery tears.

VERUCA

All I've got at home is two dogs and four cats and six rabbits and two parakeets and three canaries and a green parrot and a turtle and a bowl of goldfish and a silly old hamster! I want a squirrel!

MR. SALT

All right, pet. Daddy'll get you a squirrel just as soon as he possibly can.

**VERUCA** 

But I don't want any old squirrel, I want a trained squirrel!

MR. SALT

Very well. Mr. Wonka, how much do you want for one of these squirrels? Name your price.

WONKA

They're not for sale. She can't have one.

VERUCA

Daddy!

WONKA

(as Mr. Salt) I'm sorry, darling. Mr. Wonka is

being unreasonable.

**VERUCA** 

(to her father)

If you won't get me one, I'll get one myself.

Squeezing between the bars,

112 VERUCA LEAPS DOWN. 112

The bars are too close together for an adult to follow.

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WONKA (CONT'D)

My goodness, she is a bad nut after all! Her head must have sounded quite hollow.

Veruca kicks and SCREAMS, but it's no use. The tiny strong paws hold her tightly and she can't escape.

**VERUCA** 

Daddy! I want them to stop!

MR. SALT

Where are they taking her?

WONKA

Where all the other bad nuts go. Down the garbage chute.

As he talks, Wonka sorts through his keys, trying to find one that unlocks the railing gate.

MUSIC begins, a new song starting.

MR. SALT

What happens to the bad nuts? Where does the chute go?

WONKA

Why to the furnace, of course. The incinerator. Don't worry. They only light it on Tuesdays.

Wonka tries a key, but it doesn't fit.

MIKE

Today is Tuesday.

WONKA

There's always a chance they decided not to light it today.

MR. SALT

My darling Veruca! She'll be sizzled like a sausage!

The squirrels toss Veruca into the hole.

MR. SALT (CONT'D)

Aah!

Hearing their cue, the...

113 OOMPA-LOOMPAS MARCH IN. 113 \* This time, their SONG AND DANCE NUMBER has a Bollywood flair. OOMPA-LOOMPAS (singing) Veruca Salt. The little brute. Has just gone down the garbage chute. WONKA Now, she may be stuck in the chute just below the top. If that's the case, all you'll have to do is reach in and pull her up again. He still can't find the right key. OOMPA-LOOMPAS (CONT'D) She will meet, as she descends, A rather different set of friends. A fish head, for example, cut This morning from a halibut. A steak that nobody would chew, An oyster from an oyster stew, Some liverwurst so old and gray, One smelled it from a mile away! A rotten nut, a reeky pear, A thing the cat left on the stair; And lots of other things as well, Each with a rather horrid smell. These are Veruca's newfound friends That she will meet as she descends! The squirrels try to nip at the Oompa-Loompas's heels as they dance. Wonka turns a key, and the gate opens. Frantic, Mr. Salt rushes up to the edge of the hole. MR. SALT Veruca! Are you down there!

Veruca!

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Now, is it really right,
That every bit of blame,
Finger-pointing giggles,
Not to mention shame,
Should fall upon Veruca Salt?
Is she the only one at fault?

A girl can't spoil herself, you know.

MR. SALT

Veruuuuccca! Sweetheart. I'll buy you anything you want.

Mr. Salt bends further forward to get a closer look. His enormous butt sticks up in the air like a giant mushroom. It is a dangerous position to be in. He needs only one little push, one gentle nudge in the right place.

## OOMPA-LOOMPAS

Who turned her into such a brat? Who's the culprit? Who did that? Alas you shouldn't look so far To find out who the sinners are. They are (and this is very sad) Her parents, yes -- like dear old Dad

With a flying kick, one squirrel hits Mr. Salt dead center. He topples into the hole head-first, SCREECHING like a parrot. On the platform, everyone is horrified.

The song nearly finished...

OOMPA-LOOMPAS (CONT'D)

And that is why we're glad he fell Into the garbage chute as wel-l-l-l-l-l!

The song ends.

An Oompa-Loompa tugs at Wonka's leg. Wonka leans down as the Oompa-Loompa WHISPERS to him.

WONKA

(to everyone)
I've just been informed the
incinerator is broken. There
should be three weeks of rotten

garbage to break their fall!

MR. TEAVEE

Well, that's good news. Sorta.

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With a DING!, we...

CUT TO:

114 INT. THE GREAT GLASS ELEVATOR - DAY

114

The doors slide open, revealing what's left of the visitors: Charlie and Grandpa Joe, Mike Teavee and his father, and Wonka himself. He's fixing the cuffs on another new outfit.

WONKA

I don't know why I didn't think of this earlier. The elevator is the most efficient way to get around the factory.

As they get inside, the visitors notice that the walls, floor and ceiling are made of glass -- you can see though to the studs of the building. Also, there are hundreds of buttons.

MIKE

There can't be this many floors.

WONKA

Oh, this isn't just an ordinary upand-down elevator! This elevator
can go sideways and longways and
slantways and any other way you can
think of! It can visit any single
room in the whole factory, no
matter where it is! You simply
press a button and you're off! We
can see dozens of rooms in no time!

He hits a bunch of buttons randomly.

115 THE DOORS CLANG SHUT

115

and the elevator leaps sideways as though it has been stung by a wasp. All the passengers (except Wonka) are flung off their feet against the wall.

The elevator rushes on at the speed of a rocket. Now it begins to climb. It shoots up and up and up on a steep slanty course as if it were climbing a very steep hill. Then suddenly, it drops like a stone.

And through the glass walls of the elevator, as it rushes along, the passengers catch sudden glimpses of strange and wonderful things going on in some of the other rooms.

In one, a great, craggy mountain is made entirely of fudge. Oompa-Loompas (all roped together for safety) hack huge chunks of fudge out of its sides.

WONKA

I only hope no one's using the other elevator at this moment.

CHARLIE

What other elevator?

WONKA

The one that goes the opposite way on the same track as this one.

GRANDPA JOE

You mean we might have a collision?

WONKA

I've been lucky so far.

Different rooms keep RUSHING PAST:

WONKA (CONT'D)

Okay, let me point out a few rooms. Jelly Beanstalks. Slicorice. The Snottermellon patch. Chewable slacks. Sugarloafers. Oh, here! The administrative offices: Smackaging, Unhuman Resources, Taste Accounting -- Hello Doris! The Puppet Infirmary. Rooster Purchasing. The Oompa-Loompery...

MIKE

Why is everything here completely pointless?

Wonka is taken aback.

CHARLIE

Candy doesn't have to have a point. That's why it's candy.

We're moving so fast that the light takes on a flickering quality, like looking through helicopter blades.

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MIKE

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It's stupid.

We SWOOP IN into a giant close-up of Mike's lips.

MIKE (CONT'D)

Candy is a waste of time.

When we PULL BACK OUT, we've...

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TRANSITIONED TO:

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117 INT. WONKA FAMILY LIVING ROOM - DAY [THIRTY YEARS AGO] 117

It was actually Dr. Wonka who said the line. We've entered in the middle of an argument between Little Willy and his father.

DR. WONKA

No son of mine is going to be a chocolateer!

LITTLE WILLY

Then I'll run away! To Switzerland! Bavaria! The candy capitals of the world!

DR. WONKA

Go ahead. We won't be here when you come back.

Little Willy grabs his knapsack and runs out the front door.

118 MONTAGE 118 \*\*

Knapsack over his shoulder, Little Willy walks toward camera as a procession of international flags moves behind him, illustrating his great journey. Through it all, Little Willy maintains a stoic, inspired attitude.

A man's hand lands on his shoulder. Little Willy looks up to find a SECURITY GUARD.

SECURITY GUARD

Sorry, son. We're closing for the night.

WIDER

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we reveal that this "montage" has actually just been Little Willy walking through the local museum. The sign on the wall reads: "FLAGS OF THE WORLD."

CUT TO:

119 EXT. PICKWICKET AVENUE - EVENING [THIRTY YEARS AGO]

119\*

Dejected, Little Willy walks home. He's given up on his dream. As he reaches the front steps of his family's house, he notices something odd.

THE HOUSE IS GONE.

It's been ripped from its foundation and carried away, leaving the two narrow row houses on either side of it.

Little Willy drops his knapsack in disbelief.

TRANSITION TO:

120 INT. THE GREAT GLASS ELEVATOR - DAY

120

Dispirited, Wonka slumps over a bit. The elevator is still whizzing past rooms.

MIKE

I wanna pick a room.

WONKA

Certainly. Anywhere you'd like.

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Mike scans the choices, then settles on a button marked "Television Room."

He pushes the button. Suddenly, the whole elevator LURCHES to the right, throwing everybody but Wonka against the left wall.

After another dizzying trip, the elevator finally stops. With a DING!, the doors open.

121 INT. THE TELEVISION ROOM - DAY

121

Mike and his father, Charlie and Grandpa Joe step out of the elevator into a room so dazzlingly white and bright that they screw up their eyes in pain. Wonka hands them each a pair of dark glasses.

WONKA

Put these on quick! And don't take them off in here whatever you do! This light could blind you!

The giant room is painted white all over, even the floor. From the ceiling, huge lamps hang down and bathe the room in a brilliant blue-white light.

At one end of the room is an enormous camera on wheels, with a whole army of OOMPA-LOOMPAS clustered around it. They oil its joints, adjusts its knobs, and polish its great glass lens. The Oompa-Loompas wear white space suits, complete with helmets and goggles.

They work in silence. There is no chattering or singing among them here, and they move about over the huge black camera slowly and carefully in their space suits.

WONKA (CONT'D)

This is the testing room for my very latest and greatest invention: Television Chocolate!

At the other end of the room, about fifty feet away from the camera, a single OOMPA-LOOMPA (also in a space suit) sits at a black table. With a remote control, he idly CLICKS through channels on a large television.

Briefly, we see Kubrick's 2001. It's the part with the apes on the rocks.

WONKA (CONT'D)

One day, it occurred to me: If television can break up a photograph into millions of pieces and send it whizzing through the air, then reassemble it on the other end, why can't I do the same thing with chocolate? Why can't I send a real bar of chocolate through the television, all ready to be eaten?

MR. TEAVEE Sounds impossible.

MIKE

It <u>is</u> impossible. You don't understand anything about science! First off, there's a difference between waves and particles. Duh! (MORE)

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MIKE (CONT'D)

Second, the amount of power it would take to convert energy into matter would be like, nine atomic bombs.

WONKA

Again, with the mumbling. I can't understand a word you're saying!
 (to everyone else)
I shall now send a bar of chocolate from one end of this room to the other -- by television! Get ready, there! Bring the chocolate!

Immediately, ten Oompa-Loompas march forward carrying on their shoulders an enormous bar of chocolate -- the size of a mattress.

WONKA (CONT'D)

It has to be big. You know how on
t.v., you can film a normal-sized
man, but he comes out this tall?
 (shows with fingers)
Now then! Switch on!

One of the Oompa-Loompas grabs a very large switch and pulls it down. A blinding FLASH. Charlie is the first to notice --

CHARLIE

It's gone!

Indeed, the enormous bar of chocolate has disappeared completely into thin air.

WONKA

It is now rushing through the air above our heads in a million tiny pieces. Quick! Come over here!

He dashes over to the other end of the room to the large television set. The others follow.

WONKA (CONT'D)

Watch the screen. Here it comes. Look!

Indeed, massive Wonka bar appears smack in the middle of Kubrick's 2001, replacing the black monolith.

To the opening strains of THUS SPAKE ZARATHUSTRA, the little apes HOWL in awe and fright. The bravest of them reaches to touch it.

MR. TEAVEE

He's gone! Mike! He's gone!

WONKA

Quick! The television!

Everyone huddles around it, looking for Mike.

WONKA

I just hope that no part of him gets left behind.

MR. TEAVEE

What do you mean?

WONKA

Sometimes only half of the little pieces find their way through. (to Mr. Teavee)

If you had to choose only one-half of your son...

MR. TEAVEE

I'd probably pick the top half. (beat; considering)
Yeah, definitely. The top half.

WONKA

He should be through by now.
(to the Remote-Controller)
Try every channel! We must find him!

They all stare intensely at the screen, which flips from channel to channel.

As MUSIC kicks in, the other Oompa-Loompas throw off their helmets and start one last song-and-dance around the television. This time, however, the action also takes place ON SCREEN, as we click between:

A123 A NEWS PROGRAM.

A123\*

A singing Oompa-Loompa is the NEWSREADER.

OOMPA-NEWSREADER

The most important thing, that we've ever learned,

B123	A COOKING SHOW.	B123*
	OOMPA-EMERIL kicks it up a notch.	*
	OOMPA-EMERIL The most important thing we've learned	*
C123	A TALK SHOW.	C123*
	OOMPA-WINFREY holds the microphone with both hands.	*
	OOMPA-WINFREY  As far as children are concerned:	*
D123	A CAT FOOD COMMERCIAL.	D123*
	OOMPA-BACHELOR feeds his tabby.	*
	OOMPA-BACHELOR  Is never, never let them near the television set.	*
E123	A SLASHER MOVIE.	E123*
	A terrified OOMPA-SUMMER-CAMPER hides in a slash of light.	*
	OOMPA-SUMMER-CAMPER Or better still just don't install the idiotic thing at all.	*
F123	INT. TELEVISION ROOM - DAY [CONTINUOUS]	F123*
	As the song moves into its woh-oh-oh-oh CHORUS, the technician Oompa-Loompas dance around the television.	*
	Charlie spots something on the screen:	*
	CHARLIE There he is!	*
	Mike appears in the middle of a "Top of the Pops"-style musi show. Standing center-stage, he waves to his father and the others, grinning from ear to ear.	
	MR. TEAVEE Mike!	*
	MIKE Told you I was right!	*

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OOMPA-LOOMPAS \*

(Never never let them...Never never let them.)

WONKA \*

Grab him! Quick!

Mr. Teavee reaches for him, but Mike is knocked down by the OOMPA-GUITARIST's power slide.

G123 THE ROCK SHOW. G123\*

The OOMPAS play their number-one smash hit.

OOMPA-LEAD-SINGER \*

It rots the senses in the head,
It kills imagination dead.
It clogs and clutters up the mind.
It makes a child so dumb and blind.
(So dumb and blind...So dumb and blind)

Mike keeps ending up in bad situations: tripped by cords, hit by drumsticks, blinded by spotlights.

Mike's troubles continue as we INTERCUT BETWEEN channels. The song continues throughout, sung by whatever Oompa-Loompa is on-screen.

OOMPA-LOOMPAS \*

He can no longer understand A fairytale of fairyland. (Of fairyland! Of fairyland!) His brain becomes as soft as cheese, His thinking powers rust and freeze, He cannot think he only sees! (He only sees...He only sees)

INTERCUTTING:

H123 THE NEWS PROGRAM. H123\*

Mike keeps getting whacked by on-screen graphics, knocked by boom mikes. He runs the wrong way along the ticker that scrolls across the bottom of the screen.

J123 THE COOKING SHOW. J123\*

Mike gets his head twisted like a pepper shaker, get dusted \* with flour, and is tossed into a frying pan. \*

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J123	CONTINUED:	J123
K123	THE TALK SHOW.	K123
	Like all talk show guests, Mike breaks down and cries. He gets smothered in Oompa-Winfrey's bosum.	:
L123	THE CAT FOOD COMMERCIAL.	L123
	The cat chases after the mouse-sized Mike.	
M123	THE SLASHER MOVIE.	M123
	THE PLANKER an Oompa-Loompa with a mask and wooden board full of rusty nails chases after Mike.	i E
N123	THE ROCK SHOW.	N123
	TEMPO changes for Sgt. Pepper-style stanza:	:
	OOMPA-LOOMPAS  Regarding little Mike Teavee,  We very much regret that we  (Regret that we)  Will simply have to wait and see.  (Wait. And see! And wait. And see!)	
	Chaos again as we CONTINUE INTERCUTTING.	:
	OOMPA-LOOMPAS  We very much regret that we shall  Simply have to wait and see.  If we can get him back to size  But if we can't  (can'tcan't)  It serves him right!	•
	Just as Mike is about to be eaten/smothered/fried/planked.	

P123	INT. TELEVISION ROOM - DAY [CONTINUOUS]	P123*
	Mr. Teavee picks the tiny figure of Mike	*
	OUT OF THE SCREEN.	*
	Mike is smaller than an Oompa-Loompa, even. His voice is high and squeaky:	*
	MIKE (bawling) Daddy! TV nearly killed me.	*
	MR. TEAVEE You're alright, Mike. I got you.	*
	The Oompa-Loompas hand the remote to Mr. Teavee. He CLICKS.	*
	The television picture shrinks down to a tiny dot, disappearing with the MUSIC.	*

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Wonka takes the remote back and walks with the Teavees.

WONKA

Thank heavens! He's completely unharmed!

MR. TEAVEE

We can't send him back to school like this. He'll get trod upon. Squashed.

MIKE

Just put me back through the other way!

WONKA

There is no "other way." It's tele<u>vision</u>, not tele<u>phone</u>. There's quite a difference. Scientifically.

MR. TEAVEE

Well, how can we make him grow?

WONKA

Young men are extremely springy and elastic. They stretch like mad. So what we'll do, we'll put him in the taffy puller.

MR. TEAVEE

How far d'you think he'll stretch?

WONKA

Who knows? But he's going to be awfully thin. Everything gets thinner when you stretch it.

Wonka sends him off with a pat on the shoulder. As Oompa-Loompas lead Mr. Teavee away, the lights overhead switch off.

CUT TO:

123 MOMENTS LATER 123 \*

The television room is quite a bit darker -- just a few pools of light.

Back at the table with the television set, Wonka takes Charlie and Grandpa Joe's sunglasses and begins walking back to the great glass elevator.

WONKA

There's still a lot to see. Now, how many children are left?

Charlie looks up at Grandpa Joe. Grandpa Joe looks back at Charlie.

GRANDPA JOE

Mr. Wonka, there's only Charlie left now.

Wonka swings around and stares at Charlie. There is silence. Charlie stands there holding tightly onto Grandpa Joe's hand.

WONKA

You mean you're the only one?

CHARLIE

Yes.

WONKA

But my dear boy, that means you've won! Oh, I do congratulate you! I really do!

(shakes Charlie's hand)
I'm absolutely delighted! I had a
hunch, you know, right from the
beginning! Well done!

Of course, Charlie has no idea what he's won. He and Grandpa Joe simply follow along.

WONKA (CONT'D)

Now we mustn't dilly! Or dally! We have an enormous number of things to do before the day is out! (MORE)

WONKA (CONT'D)

But luckily for us, we have the great glass elevator to speed things up!

WHACK! He walks right into the side of it -- it's nearly invisible. Trying to cover his blunder...

WONKA (CONT'D)

Door's on this side.

124 INT. THE GREAT GLASS ELEVATOR - DAY

124

As the doors shut, Wonka reaches for a button high up on the glass ceiling of the elevator. Charlie and Grandpa Joe both crane their necks to read what is says on the little label beside the button.

It says: UP AND OUT.

CHARLIE

Up and out? What kind of room is that?

Wonka presses the button. The glass doors close.

WONKA

Hold on.

125 WHAM! 125

The elevator shoots straight up like a rocket.

WONKA

Faster!

(bangs wall of elevator)
Faster! Faster! If we don't go
any faster than this, we'll never
break through!

CHARLIE

Break through what?

WONKA

See, I've been longing to press this button for years! But I couldn't bear the thought of making a great big hole in the roof of the factory! Here we go, now. Up and out!

GRANDPA JOE

But do you really mean...you don't really mean this elevator...

WONKA

Oh yes, I do! You wait and see. Up and out!

GRANDPA JOE

But it's made of glass! It'll smash into a million pieces!

Looking up, Charlie and Grandpa Joe see the rafters and beams of the roof quickly approaching. Grandpa Joe holds Charlie tight, sheltering him as the elevator

126 CRASHES THROUGH 126\*

layer after layer of wood, straw, dust, insulation, tile and steel, finally emerging...

127 EXT. ABOVE THE FACTORY / THE TOWN - DAY 127

Sunshine pours through the glass roof. In five seconds, they are flying a thousand feet up in the sky, hovering over the factory and over the very town itself which lay spread out below them like a picture postcard.

Charlie and Grandpa Joe each open an eye, not certain they're still alive.

Looking down through the glass floor, Charlie sees the small far-away houses and streets. Snow lays thick over everything, while smoke curls up from chimneys.

WONKA

First thing, let's check on our other guests.

WONKA

You must be the boy's p-p-p-p-...

FATHER

Parents?

WONKA

Yes, that.

GRANDPA JOE

He says Charlie's won something!

WONKA

Not just some something! The most something something of any something that's ever been. I am giving this boy my entire factory.

A long beat.

GRANDPA JOE

You must be joking.

WONKA

It's quite true. You see, a few months ago, I was having my semiannual haircut, and I had the strangest revelation!

CUT TO:

A132 INT. FACTORY BARBER SHOP - DAY [PAST]

A132

Wonka sits in a barber chair, doodling on a sketchpad while OOMPA-BARBER SNIPS away. (The barber is on a ladder.)

Brushing the hair away as it falls on his paper, Wonka notices something strange.

SPLIT FOCUS

Wonka stares at a single SILVER HAIR -- his very first.

WONKA (V.O.)

In that one silver hair, I saw reflected my life's work: my factory, my candy, my beloved Oompa-Loompas. Who would watch over them after I was gone? I realized in that moment...

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Grandpa Joe spent the whole day out of bed. He didn't feel tired at all.

134 INT. TOOTHPASTE FACTORY - DAY

134

Father shakes hands with the Foreman.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Charlie's father got a better job at the toothpaste factory, repairing the machine that had replaced him...

135 OMIT 135

136 EXT. SHOE SHINE STAND - DAY

136 \*

Smiling, Charlie finishes buffing the wingtips of a HAPPY BUSINESSMAN.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

...while Charlie made extra money after school.

137 INT. THE LITTLE HOUSE - NIGHT

137

Mother and Father get dinner ready while Charlie sets the repaired kitchen table.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

Things had never been better for the Bucket family.

For the first time, there's plenty of food, and no cabbage soup.

NARRATOR (V.O.) (CONT'D)

The same could not be said for Willy Wonka.

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140 CLOSE ON WONKA 140

We gradually PULL OUT as he talks. He's agitated, irritable. He hasn't been sleeping well.

WONKA

I can't put my finger on it. Candy has always been the only thing I was certain of, and now I'm not certain at all.

Wonka is lying on a couch. An OOMPA-LOOMPA with glasses -- his psychiatrist -- takes notes in a pad.

WONKA (CONT'D)

I don't know which flavors to make, which ideas to try. I'm second-guessing myself, which is mad. I've always made whatever candy I feel like.

A beat, then Wonka has a sudden insight. He sits up.

WONKA (CONT'D)

That's just it, isn't it!? I make the candy I feel like, but now I feel terrible, so the <u>candy</u> is terrible.

(to the psychiatrist)
Ooh. You're very good.

The Oompa-Loompa takes off his glasses and nods.

141 EXT. SHOE SHINE STAND - DAY

141\*

Charlie finishes up ONE MAN'S shoes, taking his tip.

CHARLIE

Thank you.

Charlie moves down to the next man waiting, who is already up in the chair. The CUSTOMER has his face buried in the business section of the local paper.

CUSTOMER

Pity about that chocolate fellow...Wendell...Walter...

DR. WONKA (CONT'D)

Willy?

Wonka can barely talk with the instruments in his mouth. Garbles:

WONKA

Hello, Father.

DR. WONKA

All these years. You haven't flossed.

WONKA

Not once.

The men embrace. Charlie smiles.

CUT TO:

A145 INT. DR. WONKA'S PRIVATE STUDY - DAY

A145\*

We PAN ACROSS articles cut from newspapers and magazines, charting the 20-year rise of Willy Wonka from budding entrepreneur to reclusive candy magnate. The clippings cover every wall.

As Charlie reads them, fascinated, Wonka looks back to his father in the doorway. Like the most sophisticated chocolate, the moment is bitter-sweet: Willy Wonka learns his father is proud of him, though 20 years have been wasted in stubborn silence.

Still, there's a glimmer of hope on each man's face.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

It was on this day that Willy Wonka repeated his offer to Charlie, who accepted on one condition.

CUT TO:

145 INT. THE LITTLE HOUSE - DUSK

145

Charlie and Wonka come in through the front door, shaking the snow off their jackets. The whole family is there, getting ready for dinner.

CHARLIE

Sorry we're late. We were brainstorming.

GRANDPA GEORGE

Thought I heard thunder.

FATHER

Willy, are you staying for dinner?

WONKA

Yes, please!

GRANDPA JOE

I'll shuffle the plates.

Grandpa Joe squeezes in an extra setting at the table. It's very crowded, but everyone manages to fit. Wonka takes a seat next to Grandma Georgina.

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GRANDMA GEORGINA

You smell like peanuts! I love peanuts!

She hugs him. For the first time, he doesn't flinch at being touched.

WONKA

You smell like old people. And soap!

GRANDMA JOSEPHINE Charlie, elbows off the table.

He does as he's told.

A146 EXT. THE LITTLE HOUSE - DUSK [CONTINUOUS]

A146

As a gentle snow falls, we look in through the window to find the whole Bucket family -- including the grandparents -- crowded around the kitchen table for a feast. Willy Wonka fits perfectly.

WONKA

(to Charlie)

How do you feel about raspberry kites?

CHARLIE

With licorice instead of string!

MOTHER

Boys, no business at the dinner table.

CHARLIE

Sorry, Dad.

WONKA

(low; to Charlie)

You're on to something, though.

As we PULL OUT through the window, we start to get a better view of the entire house.

NARRATOR (V.O.)

In the end, Charlie Bucket won a chocolate factory. But Willy Wonka got something even better: a family.