WILLIE: No, you can’t drink this. It’s shovel water.
EDDY: *(He grabs at the glass.*) Just a sip.
WILLIE: No! *(WILLIE takes and drinks the whole glass.)*
EDDY: Well now you don’t have any water for your shovel.
BRUCE: *(Entering.*) Eddy, come quick! Dolores was just found lying in her
dressing room. Dead!
EDDY: What? Not another one!

*(EDDY and BRUCE exit.)*

WILLIE: Uh-oh, Willie don’t feel too good. My head is spinning. So many
bright lights. My stomach hurts.

*(As WILLIE walks around, the lights change. This whole next part is to stage
WILLIE’s descent into insanity. A LION emerges from the darkness, along
with other ANIMALS. These ANIMALS include MONKEYS, an
ELEPHANT, a HORSE, and many others. The animals can change, as long
as they are animals that you typically see in a circus show. Music begins
playing as the ANIMALS approach.)*

ANIMALS: *(In a creepy whisper.*) Willie.
WILLIE: What? Who’s there?
ANIMALS: *(An intensified whisper.*) Willie.
LION: It’s us, Willie. We’ve come for you.
ANIMALS: For you.
WILLIE: What do you want with me?

*(The ANIMALS laugh sinistely.)*

“It’s OUR TURN NOW”

*(This song can and should be split up among groups of soloists. The names of the
animals are inserted between phrases to provide a sense of where solo lines
begin and end. However, when it says ‘ANIMALS,’ that should be all
singers.)*

LION:
Hey little girl,
Looking so scared,
Haven’t you heard,
War’s been declared!
MONKEYS:
    We’ve had enough,
    We’re getting tough,
ANIMALS:
    It’s our turn now,
    So be prepared!
HORSE:
    We ain’t takin’ no more of your abusive ways,
    Getting whipped to the bone’s not worth a praise,
ANIMALS:
    It’s the end of your days!
    Oh yes,
    It’s true,
    The animals are going crazy!
    Yippee!
    Yahoo!
LION:
    Let’s have ourselves a little killing spree!
ANIMALS:
    Farewell,
    Adieu,
    Goodbye to you!

(A dance break where the animals chase WILLIE.)

WILLIE:
    Won’t you guys please forgive me for the things I’ve done,
    Won’t you give me a chance to live, just one,
    Show some compassion!
    Maybe some day,
    We’ll find a way,
    To live in peace,
    Humans, animals, everyone!
HORSE:
    We’ve been more than patient!
ELEPHANT:
    We’ve been more than kind,
    But your time’s up,
MONKEYS:
There’s no changing our minds!
LION:
Give it a try,
ANIMALS:
You’re still gonna die!
It’s our turn now,
You can’t mend these broken binds!
Oh yes,
It’s true,
The animals are going crazy!
LION:
Yum, yum,
MONKEYS:
Oo-oo,
LION:
I bet she’s awfully tasty
DOG & ZEBRA:
Farewell,
Adieu,
So long,
ANIMALS:
Goodbye,
Boo-hoo,
The animals are gonna miss you.
Oh yes,
It’s true,
You’ll be dead in one, two,
Ha-ha-ha,
Whoop-dee-doo,
I’d say my prayers if I were you,
I’d get away somehow because it’s-
(Spoken.) Our turn now!!!

(At the end of the song, the animals pounce towards WILLIE. Shift to.)