

SCRIPT EXCERPT - SCENE 6: ELEPHANT GRAVEYARD



YOUNG SIMBA

(finally noticing their surroundings)

This is it! We made it!

(A pile of huge, terrifying bones comes into view. The CUBS love it!)

YOUNG NALA

It's really creepy.

YOUNG SIMBA

Yeah. Isn't it great?!

YOUNG NALA

We could get in big trouble!

(ZAZU swoops in.)

ZAZU

I know! That's where I come in.

YOUNG SIMBA, YOUNG NALA

Zazu...

ZAZU

This is waaaay beyond the boundary of the Pridelands. Very dangerous!

YOUNG SIMBA

Danger? Ha! I walk on the wild side. I laugh in the face of danger. Ha-ha-ha-ha-ha!

HYENA VOICES

Hee-hee-hee-hee-hee!!!

(YOUNG SIMBA is startled as three HYENAS slink out of hiding: BANZAI, SHENZI, and ED.)

SHENZI

Well, well, well, Banzai. What have we got here?

BANZAI

Hmmm . . . I don't know, Shenzi. What do you think, Ed?

ED

Hee-hee-hee!



BANZAI

Just what I was thinkin'. A trio of trespassers.

ZAZU

A simple navigational error, let me assure you. We'll be leaving now.

SHENZI

Whoa! Wait...

(sniffs)

I know you. You're Mufasa's little stooge.

ZAZU

I, madam, am the king's major domo!

SHENZI

Looks more like the king's major dumbo.

(The HYENAS cackle with laughter. BANZAI approaches YOUNG SIMBA.)

BANZAI

And that would make you...

YOUNG SIMBA

The future king!

SHENZI

Do you know what we do to kings who step out of their kingdom?

YOUNG SIMBA

Huh. You can't do anything to me!

ZAZU

Er...technically they can. We are on their land.

YOUNG SIMBA

But Zazu, you told me hyenas are nothing but slobbering, mangy, stupid, poachers!

BANZAI

Slobbering?

SHENZI

Mangy?



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BANZAI, SHENZI

And stupid?!?

ED

Huh?

ZAZU

Oh, my, my, my. Look at the sun. It's time to go!

BANZAI

(grabs ZAZU)

Not so fast, food.

SHENZI

How about some take out?

(grabs YOUNG NALA)

Make mine a cub sandwich!

BANZAI

Time to chow down.

SHENZI

Heads or tails?

ED

Yum yum yum yum yum...

