

- 1 EMILY: Bye, and don't come back!
- 2 HAILEY: Well, that's it. So much for Alex. We made the decision
- 3 for him.
- 4 JORDAN: I still think he would have picked me.
- 5 OLIVIA: No way! He would have picked me!
- 6 ROCHELLE: No, he would have picked me!
- 7 VICTORIA: I think he would have picked me.
- 8 EMILY: No, he would have picked me.
- 9 HAILEY: If Alex picked anyone, it was going to be me!
- 10 JORDAN: No way!
- 11 OLIVIA: You wish!
- 12 HAILEY: Well, he wouldn't have picked any of you!
- 13 EMILY: Yes he would have! I'm sure he would have picked me!
- 14 VICTORIA: And I'm sure he would have picked me!
- 15 ROCHELLE: No, he would have picked me!
- 16 OLIVIA: Then why don't we go ask him!
- 17 JORDAN: Yeah, let's go ask him!
- 18 HAILEY: Fine with me!
- 19 ALL: *(They run off screaming.)* "Alex! Alex! Wait up!"

## 26. Dreadful Dancing

CAST: (1M, 3F) TONY, MAXIE, BRANDY, SABRINA

SETTING: Outside the school building  
at the end of the day.

- 1 MAXIE: So anyway, my mom agreed to let me get my nails done
- 2 for the Valentine Dance next Friday.
- 3 BRANDY: Who are you going with?
- 4 MAXIE: At this point, I'm wondering that myself.
- 5 BRANDY: Well, you can't go alone!
- 6 MAXIE: Oh, I could.
- 7 BRANDY: But would you?
- 8 MAXIE: Sure, if I wanted to stand by the refreshments.
- 9 BRANDY: So Chris is a definite no?
- 10 MAXIE: Chris can go jump in a lake!
- 11 BRANDY: Uh-oh. He asked Hailey to the dance, didn't he?
- 12 MAXIE: You know, I'd like to show up at the dance with the
- 13 hottest guy in town!
- 14 BRANDY: That'd be nice, but I'm afraid all the hot guys are
- 15 already taken.
- 16 MAXIE: This is just great! I finally get my mom to agree to let
- 17 me get my nails done and I get to go to the Valentine Dance
- 18 and talk to the punch bowl!
- 19 BRANDY: Maxie, there has to be someone you can go with.
- 20 MAXIE: You'd think.
- 21 BRANDY: *(Points.)* What about him?
- 22 MAXIE: Who's that?
- 23 BRANDY: I don't know, but let's go find out! *(Pulls MAXIE over*
- 24 *to TONY who is bouncing a ball.)* Hello.
- 25 TONY: Hello. *(Looks up at the girls.)* Hello!
- 26 BRANDY: So, my friend Maxie and I were wondering ...

1 MAXIE: Are you new around here? You don't look familiar.  
 2 TONY: Oh, I don't go to school here. I'm just waiting for my  
 3 friend, Josh.  
 4 BRANDY: Oh, so you go to school across town! The rich school!  
 5 TONY: Well, it's not exactly across town, it's...  
 6 BRANDY: *(Interrupting)* Which means you probably don't have  
 7 a date to the Valentine Dance.  
 8 TONY: What dance?  
 9 BRANDY: This is perfect, Maxie!  
 10 TONY: What's perfect?  
 11 MAXIE: Oh, silly me waited until the last minute to find a date  
 12 to the dance next week.  
 13 TONY: Hey, I volunteer!  
 14 MAXIE: You do?  
 15 TONY: Yeah! That'd be great! I've never been to a dance before.  
 16 BRANDY: Never?  
 17 TONY: This would be my first.  
 18 BRANDY: Uh ... what's your name?  
 19 TONY: Tony.  
 20 BRANDY: Tony, do you even know how to dance?  
 21 TONY: Everyone knows how to dance!  
 22 BRANDY: Prove it.  
 23 MAXIE: Brandy! He doesn't have to prove it!  
 24 TONY: You want me to prove that I can dance?  
 25 BRANDY: Yes.  
 26 MAXIE: Of course not. You don't have to prove it.  
 27 TONY: *(Begins dancing awkwardly.)* See, I can dance. Look, I'm  
 28 dancing. Like my moves? Check out my cool moves! *(He*  
 29 *continues to dance.)*  
 30 BRANDY: We'll be right back. *(Pulls MAXIE aside.)* Maxie, he  
 31 can't dance! Look at him!  
 32 MAXIE: Well, maybe we can teach him!  
 33 BRANDY: And you know what else? He's short!  
 34 MAXIE: Brandy, this whole thing was your idea!  
 35 BRANDY: I know, but from afar he looked taller and cuter! And

1 look at him!  
 2 MAXIE: Well, I need a date!  
 3 BRANDY: Maxie, you're taller than him!  
 4 MAXIE: I'll wear flats!  
 5 BRANDY: And slump down?  
 6 MAXIE: Brandy, I don't care if he's shorter than me.  
 7 BRANDY: OK, fine!  
 8 MAXIE: *(They return to TONY.)* Hey, Tony, how about if we all get  
 9 together this weekend and practice some of those cool  
 10 moves for the dance next week? Brandy is an expert at  
 11 dance moves.  
 12 TONY: Are you asking me to the dance?  
 13 MAXIE: Do you want to go?  
 14 TONY: You bet! I'd love to go! My very first dance! Yea! I can't  
 15 wait!  
 16 BRANDY: Excuse us. *(Pulls MAXIE aside.)* Maxie, are you sure  
 17 about this?  
 18 MAXIE: Well, he is kind of cute.  
 19 BRANDY: But he's short!  
 20 MAXIE: He's available!  
 21 BRANDY: And a horrible dancer!  
 22 MAXIE: And we can teach him how to dance! You'll help me,  
 23 won't you?  
 24 BRANDY: How did I get myself into this?  
 25 MAXIE: Brandy! Please!  
 26 BRANDY: Of course I'll help you!  
 27 MAXIE: Come on. *(They return to TONY.)*  
 28 TONY: Hey, I know! Last week I saw this old movie with John  
 29 Travolta called *Saturday Night Fever*. I could dance like  
 30 him! *(Imitates the John Travolta move as he moves his hand*  
 31 *from the ceiling to the floor.)* Want me to do this?  
 32 BRANDY: No! Please, no!  
 33 TONY: And Maxie, you and I could take over the dance floor!  
 34 Then I could stand in the center and do this! *(Continues*  
 35 *with the moves, singing.)* "Fever, night, fever, night, fever ..."



1 MAXIE: Uh, Tony, I don't think you should do that!

2 TONY: Have you ever seen that movie? John Travolta was cool!

3 BRANDY: Tony, that was like fifty years ago!

4 TONY: It wasn't that long ago. Or wait, wait! I know!

5 MAXIE: What?

6 TONY: Have you ever seen that movie "Dirty Dancing"?

7 BRANDY: Forget it, Tony.

8 TONY: No, no, listen! I could stand at the front near the band or

9 D.J., then you could run through the crowd and I could

10 catch you and lift you up in the air! Like this! Want to

11 practice?

12 BRANDY: No!

13 MAXIE: No, Tony!

14 TONY: And if you can wear a full skirt, I can flip it up while you

15 turn in circles!

16 BRANDY: No!

17 MAXIE: No!

18 TONY: It was just an idea! I thought it would be cool. Plus, we'd

19 be like the main attraction at the dance!

20 MAXIE: I'd rather just have a date to the dance and mingle and

21 blend. You know?

22 TONY: Or we could go rent these matching outfits ...

23 BRANDY and MAXIE: *No!*

24 TONY: Strut across the dance floor like we owned it ...

25 BRANDY and MAXIE: *No!*

26 TONY: I'll hold your hand and twirl you out onto the floor like

27 this ... *(Demonstrates.)*

28 BRANDY and MAXIE: *No!*

29 TONY: And then you squat down and I raise my leg over your

30 head like this ... *(Demonstrates.)*

31 BRANDY and MAXIE: *No!*

32 TONY: And then I'll go down into the splits. *(Attempts to do the*

33 *splits.)* OK, OK, maybe not that. Wow, that hurt!

34 BRANDY: No one dances like that, Tony!

35 TONY: They don't? On TV they do.

1 MAXIE: Tony, you've never been to a dance and we're telling

2 you, they don't dance like that!

3 TONY: But we could stand out from the rest of the crowd! Like

4 Johnny and Baby did in "Dirty Dancing"!

5 BRANDY and MAXIE: *No!*

6 TONY: Or ...

7 BRANDY and MAXIE: *No!*

8 TONY: OK, OK. I guess I can just learn the latest moves at your

9 house this weekend.

10 MAXIE: Thank you.

11 TONY: But if you change your mind, call me and I'll bring over

12 those DVDs so we can watch them and copy their moves.

13 MAXIE: Sure, but I wouldn't count on it.

14 TONY: And in the meantime, I will practice my dancing!

15 *(Dances.)*

16 BRANDY: Excuse us for a minute. *(Pulls MAXIE aside.)*

17 TONY: No problem.

18 BRANDY: Maxie, there's still time for you to get out of this!

19 *(Pointing)* Look at him!

20 MAXIE: Brandy, I don't want to go to the dance alone!

21 Especially with Chris taking Hailey!

22 BRANDY: But do you want Chris laughing at you for going with

23 ... with *that*?

24 MAXIE: And we're going to teach him how to dance this

25 weekend, remember? And if worse comes to worse and

26 he's still dreadful, we'll just dance the slow songs. Surely

27 he can't mess that up!

28 TONY: Hey, Maxie, I'm going to buy you a corsage to wear on

29 your dress. OK?

30 MAXIE: I'm not wearing a dress!

31 TONY: And you can get me one of those boutonniere thingies.

32 BRANDY: Tony, this isn't the prom! It's just a Valentine Dance.

33 MAXIE: I'm wearing jeans.

34 TONY: Jeans?

35 MAXIE: Yes!

1 TONY: And you don't want one of those flowers to put right  
 2 here? Or one for your wrist?  
 3 MAXIE: No!  
 4 TONY: So I shouldn't rent that tuxedo?  
 5 BRANDY: Look, Tony, maybe for the prom...  
 6 TONY: Gosh, that'll be in like five or six years!  
 7 MAXIE: Five or six years?  
 8 BRANDY: Don't you mean in two or three years?  
 9 TONY: *(Counting on his fingers)* No. About five more years!!!  
 10 the prom for me ... that is assuming I go my junior year.  
 11 BRANDY: Oh my gosh! What grade are you in?  
 12 TONY: Does it matter?  
 13 BRANDY: It might!  
 14 MAXIE: Tony, you don't go to school across town, do you?  
 15 TONY: I never said I went to school across town.  
 16 BRANDY: Then where do you go to school?  
 17 TONY: Well, you know ...  
 18 BRANDY: No, we don't know! Tell us!  
 19 TONY: Just down the street.  
 20 BRANDY: At Travis Elementary?  
 21 TONY: Yeah.  
 22 MAXIE: *Travis Elementary?*  
 23 BRANDY: *Travis Elementary?*  
 24 TONY: Yeah, so?  
 25 BRANDY: *You're a sixth grader?*  
 26 MAXIE: Oh my gosh! I can't believe I have a date to the  
 27 Valentine Dance with a sixth grader!  
 28 BRANDY: I told you he was short!  
 29 MAXIE: I thought he was just short for his age!  
 30 BRANDY: He is short for his age!  
 31 TONY: Hey, I can still go to the dance. Dance lessons this  
 32 weekend, right?  
 33 BRANDY and MAXIE: No!  
 34 TONY: No?  
 35 MAXIE: I ... I ... I have to ...

BRANDY: She has to wash her hair! Sorry! *(Pulls MAXIE away as they run off.)*  
 TONY: But ... OK. See ya. *(Continues with his dance moves.)*