

Drake

An English butler with a kindly disposition. Part of Oliver Warbucks' domestic staff. Presence, posture, and speech is proper and refined. Head is always held high, with pleasant, yet guarded emotions.

Sings in 4 songs. Vocal range: Baritone Acting age: 40-70

Libretto audition: A1 S5 : P40 to P43

Music audition: I Think I'm Gonna Like It Here: bars 64 to 100 (no repeat at 79)

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DRAKE

Ah, good afternoon, Miss Farrell.

GRACE

Good afternoon Drake, everyone.

SERVANTS

(Bowling or curtsying)

Miss.

GRACE

Has Mr. Warbucks arrived yet?

DRAKE

No, Miss. His plane from Chicago landed at three thirty. So, we're expecting him any minute.

ANNIE

Do you really live here or is this a train station?

GRACE

We really live here.

ANNIE

Oh boy!

GRACE

Mrs. Greer,

MRS. GREER

Yes, Miss.

GRACE

Has the carpet been put down in the dining room, Mrs. Greer?

MRS. GREER

Yes, Miss.

GRACE

And has the Steinway been tuned?

MRS. GREER

Yes, Miss.

DRAKE

Everything is in order, Miss. Mrs. Pugh has prepared his favorite dinner.

MRS. PUGH

(Reading off a menu)

New England Clam Chowder...

GRACE

Wonderful.

MRS. PUGH

Kentucky fried chicken...

GRACE

Wonderful.

MRS. PUGH

Idaho potatoes...

GRACE

And?

MRS. PUGH

(In triumph)

...Baked Alaska.

GRACE

Fine.

MRS. PUGH

(Knowingly, as to how Grace feels about Warbucks)

It will be good to see Mr. Warbucks again.

GRACE

(Avoiding her eyes)

Yes, six weeks is a long time.

MRS. PUGH

Yes, Miss.

GRACE

Now, would you all come here for a moment, please?

DRAKE

Quickly everyone. Everyone, quickly.

(ALL assemble)

GRACE

Everyone, this is Annie. She'll be with us for the next two weeks. For Christmas.

SERVANTS

(MEN bow and WOMEN curtsey)

Miss.

GRACE

Annie, this is everyone.

ANNIE

Hi, everyone.

DRAKE

(As he would to a foreign dignitary)

May I take your coat, Miss?

I Think I'm Gonna Like It Here: Audition
 Bars 64 - 100 (No repeat at 79)

64 (GRACE) CECILLE: Green is her best color, no blue, I think.

65 66 67
 Ce - cille will pick out all your clothes. ANNIE: Inside the
 The swim - ming pool is to the left. house? Oh boy!

MRS. GREER: Bubbles... no, soap, I think.

68 69 70 71
 Your bath is drawn by Mis - sus Greer. ANNIE: I never even
 The ten - nis court is in the rear. picked up a racket.

72 ANNETTE: The silk... no the satin sheets, I think.

73 74 75
 An - nette comes in to make your bed.
 Have an in - struc - tor here at noon.

GRACE: Oh, and get that Don Budge fellow if he's available.
 DRAKE: Yes, Miss.
 GRACE: Annie, ...

(ANNIE)

76 77 78 79
 I think I'm gon - na like it here!
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80 (GRACE)

81 82 83
 When you wake ring for Drake, Drake will bring your tray.

84 85 86 87 88
 When you're through Mis - sus Pugh comes to take it a - way.

89 (GRACE/SERVANTS) ANNETTE: That's okay, I haven't got any toys anyway. SERVANTS: Aww!

90 91 92
 No need to pick up an - y toys

(GRACE)

93 94 95 96
 No fin - ger will you lift, my dear.

97 (GRACE/SERVANTS)

98 99 100
 We have but one re - quest: please put us to the test.