# ARDEN jumps up and stomps over to SALEM

#### **ARDEN**

What's-your-face, I have a problem with you. You decided to cast me in the smallest part, which I have contacted my attorney about, so I will let you know about a suit. Also, I am not in the first scene. Don't you know that the audiences are coming to see me? I'm the celebrity bringing in the fans, like when they put celebrities on Broadway. No one sees any shows unless they're fans of whatever celebrity they put in it. Like, when I was Jean Valjean in Les Miserables, the only reason anyone came to see the show was because they heard that I was in it.

**NOELLE** 

Oh, yeah! That was fun, wasn't it?

**ARDEN** 

What was fun?

## **NOELLE**

Les Miserables. I was Chorus Girl #17. They added that part just for me! I had one line, "Help!" and then I got crushed by rubble.

#### **ARDEN**

Okay, I believe I was speaking about my experience as the lead, not your experience in the chorus.

#### **NOELLE**

Man, Mrs. Williams was such a good teacher. Wasn't she your mom?

**ARDEN** 

Uh...absolutely not.

### **NOELLE**

Oh, was that the year that Jake fell down the stairs, so he couldn't perform? We were so lucky that you knew all his lines.

## **ARDEN**

I think you're mistaken.

## **NOELLE**

Oh, no it was the year that Liam was going to be Sweeney, but then he went into anaphylactic shock because he was allergic to peanuts. Do you know why there were peanut m&m's in the candy bowl?

### **ARDEN**

I do not, and I wish that we would continue rehearsing.