**AUDITION – Queen of Hearts & King**

KING: The Madhatter, your majesty.

QUEEN H: Age?

KING: Twenty-seven.

QUEEN H: Height?

KING: (Consulting his clipboard) Five-eleven.

QUEEN H: Weight?

*SILENCE*

QUEEN H: Weight!

KING: I am waiting, your majesty.

QUEEN H: No! Give me his weight!

KING: Oh, a hundred and six pounds.

QUEEN: What’s his behavior like?

KING: Well he’s pretty unemotional. He acts coldly towards the guards.

QUEEN H: I see.

KING: Icy, your majesty, exactly. But he’s a good laborer,

once dug out three water holes in one day.

QUEEN H: Well, well, well.

KING: Exactly, well, well, well [indicating]

QUEEN: [Addressing Madhatter] So, are you enjoying your

time here at the Royal Prison?

MADHATTER: Oh yes, I’m having a tea party

QUEEN H: [Back to talking with King] Tell me about his sentence.

KING: It was kinda sarcastic, your majesty.

QUEEN H: No, no, how long is the man’s sentence?

KING: [Counts on his fingers] It was seven words.

QUEEN H: No! How long is his jail term?

KING: Ten years, your majesty.

QUEEN H: And what’s he served?

KING: Porridge in the morning. Meat stew at night.

QUEEN H: No! How long has he been with us?

KING: [Checks watch] A minute and a half

QUEEN H: At the prison.

KING: Two years, your majesty

QUEEN H: [To Mad Hatter] What’s your background?

MADHATTER: [looks behind them] A cream wall and a throne. [Or whatever scenery is]

QUEEN H: I don’t wanna to see any lip.

KING: Yes your Majesty. [He holds his clipboard over Madhatter’s mouth.]

QUEEN H: No! Why did he end up here?

KING: He was arrested after a fight broke out at a tea party. But there have been

other charges brought against him over the years.

QUEEN H: With conviction?

KING: [Spoken with conviction] There have been other charges brought

against him over the years.

QUEEN H: No! When he was arrested what was he charged with?

KING: Caffeine?

QUEEN H: [To Madhatter] Kneel!

KING: Yes, your majesty