



## MONOLOGUES

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### *What Happens in Neverland Stays in Neverland* by Jon Jory

#### WENDY

Hi, I'm Wendy, and I would like to straighten a couple of things out. No, I won't do your spring cleaning. I took that job with Peter because I was sick of my mother forcing me to play the tuba in the marching band. The tuba is not a musical instrument, it's something you have to bench press that makes farting sounds. Now you might think that you know how horrible it is to clean up after a bunch of thirteen-year-old boys who live under a tree, but it's worse than that. Really, it smells like a locker room where skunks have gotten into a fight. But I digress. You all know what happened on what I will call, "The Night." My parents had gone out to a square dance because my father played the fiddle and once toured with the Nitty Gritty Dirt Band. Anyway, I was left behind to babysit my brothers John and Michael who are dirt bags. We all fell asleep watching wrestling. Anyway, I suddenly woke up to find this boy dressed in a leafy green onesie sitting on the floor trying to stick his shadow back on his feet. No, really. I could see immediately he needed professional help. So I said very carefully in a non-judgmental tone, "Boy, why are you crying?" and he said his shadow had come off and he couldn't get it back on. So, I knew he was nuts. Anyway, blah, blah, blah. To cut to the chase, John and Michael wake up.

And this guy who said his name was Peter Pan teaches us to fly. So then I get it—I'm having a dream! So fine, we fly around the room, with his assistant who says she's a fairy and Peter whatshisname says do we want to go with him to Neverland—a definite dream name—and we fly out the window—and he's talking to the stars and snatching food out of eagle's beaks and asking if we want some, which is insanely yucky. And we get to this island and we fly down and the first thing we see is this grimy pirate hacking a kid to death with his sword. Really. Blood everywhere. And I'm thinking, "this dream really sucks" but then comes this terrible realization...how do you get out of a dream you don't like? I pinch myself, I fly into a tree on purpose, I yell for my parents, nothing works. I am literally stuck in this nightmare. So I meet what he calls, the Lost Boys who live under the tree who have bad teeth and snot all over them and keep laughing like maniacs and the only thing they want is for me to read them *Cinderella*. *Cinderella*?! They're like, you know, freshmen in high school and all they want to do is hear Cinderella! Blah, blah, blah. So anyway I'm trapped in this dream I can't wake up and these kids and the pirates and some lost tribe do nothing all day but kill each other. So that's the deal, so I made the video you're seeing and stuffed my phone in this big bottle and threw into the sea and if you're watching you need to call the police and get me out of here. There's this maniac fairy named I don't know what, Blinkybell who pinches me



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all day long and worst of all there's this pirate named Smee who spits chewing tobacco and wants to marry me. Please, if you find this, go to number fourteen on Oak Street, ring the bell and tell my parents to wake me up! There's a reason they call this place Neverland, with an emphasis on Never. I am trapped in a dream and I have got to get out of here!

*(She exits.)*

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**Length:** 30-35 minutes

**Cast Size:** 6-17 actors (suggested casting: 8F, 2M, 7 any)

**Genre:** Comedy

**Synopsis:** You thought you knew Neverland... Take an inside look at what is really going on with your favorite characters. Tinkerbell explains her unrequited love for Peter, Captain Hook wants you to know the real him, and Peter Pan gives a commencement speech worthy of a TED Talk. "In Neverland, fun is a little gory."