

IDOL WORSHIP

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1 INT. IDOL WORSHIP SET - DAY

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Idol Worship HOST, an excitable, young(late teens, early 20s) energetic, overly hip, overly fashion conscious individual that overtly tries too hard to be 'in' addresses the camera and the LIVE STUDIO AUDIENCE.

HOST

Hey America! Welcome back! Okay, if you're just joining us, this is a recap of what happened before the break."

2 INT. IDOL WORSHIP STAGE - DAY

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CHRISTINE (late teens), completes singing a pop song with an over-the-top 'diva' finish in front of 4 judges sitting at one long table

LIVE STUDIO AUDIENCE

APPLAUSE and CHEERING

Judge #1 BARRY (45), writes down notes on a paper in front of him

BARRY

Thank you, Christine.

Christine walks off to the side of the stage

HOST (V.O.)

Okay, judges. Six, six, seven, and an eight. That gives Christine 27 points, a nice, nice score.

3 INT. IDOL WORSHIP STAGE - DAY

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HOST

Our next contestant is, Grace, coming all the way from Alaska is coming up and she'll be singing an original composition for us. Let's see what she has in store for us.

Two stage hands dressed in simple workman's clothes wheel out a massive aquarium onto the stage containing water and a young adolescent whale.

BARRY

Okay, anytime you're ready.

Grace begins singing a WHALE SONG for 45 seconds.

BARRY

Okay, wow. That (beat) was amazing.
I've never heard anything like it.
It was truly original. I give it,
a nine."

Barry holds up a card with a 9 written on it.

JUDGE #2

I hate to say it, but I finally have
to agree with Barry. I give it a nine.

Judge #2 holds up a card with a 9 written on it.

JUDGE #3

A nine? Are you kidding? Are we
listening to the same thing? I give it
a ten!

Judge #3 holds up a card with a 10 written on it.

JUDGE #4

I do believe that was the best
performance we have ever seen on this
stage. Ever. Ten!

Judge #4 holds up a card with a 10 written on it. Christine's
jaw drops.

HOST

Wow, a total of 38, absolutely
eclipsing poor Christine!"

CHRISTINE

What the-

BEEP

HOST

Oh wow, it seems that Christine is
a poor loser.

Christine storms onto stage between the tank and the judges.

CHRISTINE

Are you serious? This gets a perfect 10 and you only gave me an eight? She's a whale!

Christine gestures towards Grace's tank.

JUDGE #4

Now, Christine, her weight has nothing to do with this. In fact, you could stand to lose a few pounds yourself.

Christine, feeling incredibly self conscious, smooths out her dress and looks down at her stomach.

CHRISTINE

B-b-but- She can't even sing. She just made noise.

JUDGE #2

Oh, I don't know. I think she can sing. Let's see you hit the same notes that she did. Go on. Try.

All four judge's eyes and the Host fixate on her, expecting her to try and sing. Christine momentarily freezes in place not able to say a word.

CHRISTINE

I-I can't hit those notes. Those aren't even notes. I can't even speak that language.

BARRY

So the fact that she can't even speak English, you think I should hold that against her. Honestly, I think that's even more impressive! Besides, you're barely able to spit a word out without stuttering right now. I think I'll raise my score to a 10.

CHRISTINE

No! N-no! You can't- she- she's an animal!

JUDGE #3

Well now you're just being mean,

calling her names. I don't think I
like that at all. I can't
comfortably give you the score I
gave you. I'm going to withdraw the
eight I gave you and give you a five.

LIVE STUDIO AUDIENCE
Hostile BOOING and JEERING

BARRY
Okay, okay. That's enough. Christine,
please take a seat.

Christine walks off to the side. The workmen wheel Grace's tank
off stage.

HOST
Okay, now help me welcome our next
guest, Polly!

One stage hand wheels out a perch with an African Gray Parrot.
Christine SCREAMS at the top of her lungs and tears at her hair.
She then runs across the set and out an exit.