Hello and welcome to Storyville auditions! I am so very excited to see you all! Below is the monologue you will read. **Note: This does NOT need to be memorized.**

During *Storyville* we will be getting a lot of inspiration from storytelling theatre! (if you would like some cool inspiration look up Peter and the Starcatcher at Steppenwolf and later on broadway!) Storytelling theatre utilises people playing multiple parts and that is what I want to see with this reading! Every time you see **Once upon a Time** try switching characters by changing your voice and the way that you move!

Monologue:

Excuse me, is anyone sitting here? No? Good. Hello and welcome to Storyville, the town where everyone has a different story. And stories, as you know, are like people... they are all different, But, in following with our narrative traditions, all Storyville stories begin with the same four words: Once upon a time. **Once upon a time**, in a jungle far away there lived a lion. He was the mighty ruler of the land... **Once upon a time**, there lived a farmer. He had a wife, two children, a cow and some chickens. **Once upon a time**, in a small village there lived a little old woman. Hse was very lonely. One day she decided to make some gingerbread.