

# TSG AUDITIONS 2019

## MARY / MARTHA SIDE

### SCENE 1: MARY'S SITTING ROOM

**MARY**

Are you my servant?

*(Mary's AYAH appears)*

**MARTHA**

Well there, Mary Lennox. Me name is Martha. And now tha'rt up. I'll make tha' bed.

**MARY**

Aren't you going to dress me first?

**MARTHA**

Canna tha' dress thysel, then?

**MARY**

In India, my Ayah dressed me.

**MARTHA**

Well then, it'll do tha' good to wait on thysel' a bit. 'Tis far a wonder grand folks children don't turn out fair fools, bein' washed and took out to walk like they was puppies.

**MARY**

What is this language you speak?

**MARTHA**

Well, of course, you've not heard any Yorkshire, livin' in India, have ye? Mrs. Medlock said I'd have to be careful or you wouldn't understand what I was sayin'. But I didn't know what to expect from you either. When I heard you was comin' from Bombay, I thought you'd be a solid brown, I did. But you're not brown at all. More yellow, I'd say.

Eh, now lassie, I didn't know you'd be so easy vexed. I'll help you on with your clothes this time, if you like. You just pretend you're back in India, and I'm your servant, and you just give me that little yellow foot.

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**MARY**

I'm quite all right. Thank you.

**MARTHA**

Look there. Out the window. It's the moor, it is. Like a dull purple sea this morning. Do you like it?

**MARY**

I hate it.

**MARTHA**

Ah, you wait 'til spring, then. For the moor is fair covered in gorse and heather, and there's such a lot of fresh air. My brother Dickon goes off and plays on the moors for hours. He's got a pony that's made friends with him, and birds and sheep and such as eats right out of his hand.

**MARY**

*(Has been examining the closet)*

These are not my clothes.

**MARTHA**

Ay, miss, your Uncle doesn't want you dressing in black.

**MARY**

These are nicer than mine.

**MARTHA**

You get these new clothes on then, and wrap up warm and run out and play. That'll give you stomach for your porridge.

**MARY**

Mrs. Medlock told me there's nothing out there but a big old park.

**MARTHA**

Well, maybe you'll run into our Dickon out there. Maybe he'll give you a ride on his pony. Maybe he'll...

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**MARY**

I don't know anything about boys.