

**SCENE 8. THE FACTORY GATES****#11 – Red Carpet**

*Crowds and reporters gather.*

*Hundreds of flashbulbs.*

*JERRY and CHERRY announce the arrivals.*

**START**

**CHERRY**

Ladies and Gentlemen, the long wait is over, the big day has finally arrived. We're gathered here to witness the arrival of the five ticket-toting tots who've won a trip to Chocolate Heaven!

**JERRY**

We're coming to you live from right here outside Willy Wonka's Factory Gates. And here comes the first child now.

**CHERRY**

That's right Jerry, arriving with her father in a 3 block long limousine... it's Veruca Salt!

*VERUCA, accompanied by her FATHER, arrives in a pink fur coat and does ballet along the red carpet.*

**ALL REPORTERS**

Veruca! Over here! Over here! (*Hubbub*)

**CHERRY**

Veruca, *zdravostuyte malenkaya devotchka!* — is there anything you want to say?

*VERUCA waves her ticket.*

**VERUCA**

We have a saying in Russia. Mine! Mine! ALL MINE!

*VERUCA laughs with haughty arrogance.*

HA-HA-HA!!

**CHERRY**

If will to win's what Wonka's after, then Veruca Salt's a ballet shoe-in for the prize.

JERRY

Who's this one now, Cherry? — Oh god — the smell of meat.

CHERRY

That means just one thing, Jerry. It's the boy they're calling The Bavarian Beefcake — Augustus Gloop.

AUGUSTUS and his MOTHER enter in full Alpine Dress with sausages.

**END**

AUGUSTUS & MRS. GLOOP

YODEL-AY HEE HOO, YODEL-AY HEE HOO,

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ALL REPORTERS

Augustus! (*Hubbub*)

CHERRY

Augustus, what are your thoughts on this great day?

AUGUSTUS

(BURP)

*ALL cheer.*

CHERRY

Gloop's got guts Jerry, that's for sure, but is guts what Wonka wants?

JERRY

Cherry — who's this landing now in a great big pink balloon?

CHERRY

That's not a balloon, Jerry. That's a big bubble o' gum, which could only mean one thing.

*The BEAUREGARDES enter.*

VIOLET

I'M THE QUEEN OF POP!

ALL REPORTERS

VIOLET OVER HERE!

VIOLET

I'M THE QUEEN OF POP NOW!