

SCENE 10

(SOMEWHERE ELSE IN THE HOUSE)

(WEDNESDAY and LUCAS emerge. PUGSLEY eavesdrops.)

LUCAS

Put the ring on. Just for a minute.

WEDNESDAY

After dinner.

LUCAS

But what if they hate each other?

WEDNESDAY

What if they don't? Be like me. Look on the bright side.

LUCAS

You make me so crazy.

(They kiss. PUGSLEY interrupts.)

PUGSLEY

Maybe you two should get a room.

WEDNESDAY

Pugsley! Stop sneaking around like that!

PUGSLEY

It's my house too, OK?

WEDNESDAY

(to Lucas)

Excuse me while I kill my brother.

LUCAS

(To Wednesday)

I'll take care of this.

(to the boy, extravagantly)

Hey, it's the Pugster. What up, little man?

(Tries to high-five PUGSLEY, to no effect.)

PUGSLEY

You trying to be cool?

LUCAS

Uh-huh.

PUGSLEY

'Cause you're not cool.

LUCAS

Your sister thinks I am.

PUGSLEY

She'll get over it.

(He puffs on his cigar.)

LUCAS

Aren't you a little young to be smoking?

PUGSLEY

(pointedly)

I'm under a lot of stress. My sister's having an identity crisis.

WEDNESDAY

We're gonna go now.

PUGSLEY

Can I come?

WEDNESDAY

Sorry, Pugs. I'm with Lucas now. Bye.

[MUSIC IN]

(PUGSLEY'S tough act evaporates, and all that's left is a lonely little brother.)

PUGSLEY

But wait! Wait!

(WEDNESDAY waves to PUGSLEY and pulls LUCAS off. PUGSLEY is bereft, center.)