

## **Aladdin**

### **Synopsis**

Aladdin lives with his mother, Widow Twankee and his brother, Wishee Washee. Times are hard, and they work long hours in the family launderette to make ends meet. Aladdin is a good lad, he believes with all of his heart that he will marry the girl of his dreams. Unfortunately that girl happens to be Princess Jasmine and her father, the Emperor, has no intention of letting her marry a penniless village lad.

When a stranger arrives in Peking claiming to be Aladdin's long lost uncle, Abanaazer, he is suspicious. But Abanaazer convinces Aladdin that he has the family's best interests at heart and promises him riches beyond his wildest dreams. All he has to do is retrieve a rusty old lamp from deep in a cave, in the Chow Mein Mountains.

Aladdin knows, that if he were a rich man, the Emperor would see him as a worthy suitor for the Princess and so he agrees to Abanaazer's plan.

As with all things that seem too good to be true, Abanaazer's scheme turns out to be far more complicated. What looks to be a simple task, turns into a dangerous adventure, which takes Aladdin on a fast and furious magic carpet ride to a whole new world.

In an attempt to make his fortune and win his girl, Aladdin gets into all sorts of shenanigans, which involve magic, ghosts and powerful genies.

## **Characters**

Aladdin – Our hero. Aladdin is a good boy who lives with his brother, and widowed mother. They run a family launderette.

Princess Jasmine – Jasmine is the Emperors daughter and lives in the Palace with her over protective father. She longs for adventure in the big wide world.

Widow Twankee – Aladdin's mother. (The Dame) After losing her husband, Aladdin's mother has brought up both her sons alone as well as keeping the family business afloat.

Wishee Washee – Aladdin's brother has a big heart but a small brain. His intentions are good, but he's usually too lazy to see them through.

Abanaazer – A clever but wicked sorcerer. Abanaazer uses his cunning powers for all things evil.

Feng Shui – Works for the Twankee's in the Launderette. She likes everything to be organised and ship shape.

Tofu – Abanaazers nasty sidekick. He may look big and threatening, but he's a bit of a softy.

Sweet – Jasmynes handmaiden. Sweet is a sweet girl who always looks on the bright side of life.

Sour – Jasmynes handmaiden. Sour has a foul temper and generally looks on the gloomy side of life.

Emperor Me lee ding – Jasmine's father. The Emperor is very protective of his daughter.

Genie - Slave of the ring – She's a genie with reasonable powers who has the ability to perform small to medium spells.

Razzle Dazzle (Razz). The Genie of the lamp. A genie of incredible power. Razz is able to grant the owner of the lamp what ever they desire.

P.C Yin – Village P.C Yin is quite particular; he does everything by the book.

P.C Yang – Village P.C Yins opposite - he takes chances and never thinks ahead.

Siri – voice only part at the end.

Chorus – x 4

## **Act 1**

**Scene 1** The Journey To Peking (Front of tabs into Peking street)

**Scene 2** An Over Protective Father (Front of tabs)

**Scene 3** A Long Lost Uncle (Inside Twankee's Laundrette)

**Scene 4** Shopping! (Front of tabs)

**Scene 5** Wash And Go (Twankee's Laundrette)

**Scene 6** Are We Nearly There Yet? (Front of Tabs)

**Scene 7** Trapped! (The Cave of Wonders)

## **Act 2**

**Scene 1** Aladdin's Return (The laundrette)

**Scene 2** Perfect Timing! (Front of tabs)

**Scene 3** New Lamps For Old (In the Palace)

**Scene 4** The Dungeon (Front of Tabs)

**Scene 5** The Rescue (Abanaazers Palace in Egypt)

**Scene 6** There's No Such Thing As Ghosts! (Front of tabs)

**Scene 7** Happy Ever After (Peking)

## **Suggested Songs**

### **Act 1**

Song 1 Don't Stop – Fleetwood Mac

Song 2 Dear Future Husband - Meghan Trainor

Song 3 Money Money Money - Abba

Song 4 A Whole New World - from Aladdin

Song 5 You Two - from Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Song 6 I Am The One And Only – Chesney Hawkes

### **Act 2**

Song 7 Come fly with me - Frank Sinatra

Song 8 I'd do anything – From Oliver

Song 9 Fabulous Baby/Genie - from Sister Act

Song 10 I'm Your Man - Wham!

Song 11 Don't Go Breaking My Heart – Elton John & Kiki Dee

Song 12 Don't Stop Me Now - Queen

## **Aladdin**

### **Act 1**

#### **Scene 1**

*Front of tabs.*

*There is a small treasure chest on stage with a ring in it.  
SFX Evil intro. Abanaazer enters with Tofu.*

**Abanaazer** At long last Tofu! After years of searching I've finally found it.

**Tofu** Where are we master?

**Abanaazer** This is the tomb of King Ding Ding. The most powerful Kin ever to rule ancient Egypt.

**Tofu** Why are we here, master?

**Abanaazer** For the ring, you Buffoon.

**Tofu** The ring?

**Abanaazer** Yes, the ring!

**Tofu** You mean, the ring of King Ding Ding?

**Abanaazer** Of course, get looking. It's here somewhere.

*Tofu goes to the treasure chest. He picks up the ring from the chest and gives it to Abanaazer.*

**Tofu** Is this it master?

**Abanaazer** *(snatching the ring and holding up)* Finally, after all these years of searching, I have found the magical ring of King Ding Ding. With this ring, I, Abanaazer will be the most powerful sorcerer ever.

**Tofu** But you are powerful sorcerer master.

**Abanaazer** No Tofu, I just do clever tricks. This ring will make me a household name. *(evil laugh)*

*SFX Evil sting.*

**Tofu** *(pointing to the audience)* Who are all these people master?

**Abanaazer** They must be from *(insert town/village )* on the Nile. Awful place...full of undesirables! Not that I care, this ring is going to take me away from all of that. *(evil laugh)* It's magic you see...don't believe me, eh? I'll show you.

*He rubs the ring. SFX Dr Who Tardis. Genie appears.*

**Tofu** Wow, how did you do that?

**Abanaazer** With just a little rub of my ring.

**Genie** Thank heavens! I'm so glad to be out of that ring. It feels great to stretch my legs. I've got cramp in places I didn't know you could get cramp! Hi, I'm Genie, the slave of the ring. Who are you?

**Abanaazer** I am the great Abanaazer, your new master.

**Genie** It's nice to meet you Abanaazer. How can I be of assistance?

**Abanaazer** I want to be the most powerful man in the world, I want to be rich beyond my wildest dreams and I want to live in a Palace.

**Genie** You don't want much do you? Who's your girlfriend?

**Abanaazer** He's not my girlfriend. Now, get on with it.

**Genie** Look mate, I think you've got me confused with somebody else.

**Abanaazer** You're a genie aren't you?

**Genie** Of course, but I'm not qualified to do that. I only scraped through magic school with one GCES.

**Tofu** Don't you mean GCSE?

**Genie** No, I mean GCES. A Genie's Certificate for Easy Spells.

**Abanaazer** What exactly are you capable of then?

**Genie** I can escape a locked box or pull a rabbit from a hat – that sort of thing. I'm also a member of the magic semi-circle...I only ever get half a trick right. I can manage a bit of time travel occasionally,

**Abanaazer** But I want to be rich and powerful!

**Genie** Sorry mate, not my thing!

**Abanaazer** Whose *thing* is it then?

**Genie** There is only one with the power to grant that kind of wish.

**Abanaazer** And who is that?

**Genie** The great and mighty Razzle Dazzle, genie of the magic lamp.

**Abanaazer** And where can I find this genie of the lamp?

**Genie** In the lamp!

**Abanaazer** (*impatiently*) Obviously, where can I find the lamp?

**Genie** China.

**Abanaazer** Where in China, you fool?

**Genie** Keep your hair on! It's said, the Magic lamp is surrounded by vast riches and rare artefacts. Deep within the Cave of Wonders, high in the Chow Mein Mountains of Peking.

**Abanaazer** Take me there, now.

**Tofu** (*excitedly*) Ooh...can we visit the Great Wall of China? I bet it's chipped. My mum had a china teapot, it had loads of cracks!

**Abanaazer** That's not the only crackpot she had! The wall isn't made of china, you twit.

**Genie** It's a fair distance!

**Abanaazer** I thought you said you could travel through time.

**Genie** I can. I'm pretty sure I can get us somewhere in the vicinity...or thereabouts.

**Abanaazer** Excellent! Once I have that lamp from the cave, I will be the most important and powerful man in the world. (*evil laugh*)

**Genie** I hate to burst your bubble, but it doesn't work quite like that.

**Abanaazer** What do you mean?

**Genie** Legend says that, to keep the riches from falling into the wrong hands, only one who is pure of heart can retrieve the lamp.

**Abanaazer** Where do I find someone pure of heart in this day and age?

**Genie** There is one; he goes by the name of Aladdin. He alone can enter the cave. Anyone else who attempts to remove the lamp, will meet with a gruesome ending.

**Abanaazer** I see...that does change things a bit.

**Genie** I thought that's what you'd say. Do you have any other requests?

**Abanaazer** Yes, take me to the home of Aladdin.

**Genie** What makes you think he will help you?

**Abanaazer** Tofu can be extremely persuasive when he wants to be. Isn't that so, Tofu?

**Tofu** (*menacingly*) Yes master, Tofu will convince him.

**Genie** I'll be no part of this nasty plan.

**Abanaazer** You don't have any choice, dear Genie. As long as I'm wearing this ring you will do as I say...it's in the contract.

**Genie** Blast, he has a point! So be it, but I do it under protest.

**Abanaazer** Whatever, just take us to Peking - and make it fast. (*evil laugh*)

**Genie** Okay...you have to close your eyes, tap your heels together three times and say 'There's no place like Peking'. Ready?

*They do it, but nothing happens.*

**Tofu** That was amazing! It didn't feel like we moved at all.

**Abanaazer** That's because we didn't, you imbecile!

**Genie** Hmm, I wonder what went wrong? Of course! (*to audience*) For the magic to work, everyone has to do it! (*to audience*) You have to join in as well. Let's try again, shall we? Close your eyes, tap your heels together three times and say 'There's no place like Peking'. Are you ready?

*SFX Dr. Who Tardis. The curtain opens on a street in Peking and they are outside Twankee's laundry.*

**Genie** Here we are, Peking!

**Abanaazer** Where's Aladdin?

**Genie** How should I know? I'm a genie – not google earth.

**Tofu** I'll make enquiries master.

**Abanaazer** You do that, Tofu. Let me know when you find him.

**Tofu** Yes master.

## **ACT 2**

### **Scene 1**

*Front of tabs.*

*Aladdin enters dressed in all his Royal finery. The lamp hangs from his belt and he carries a bag. Genie and Razz enter. Genie carries a rolled up rug.*

**Aladdin** Boy, it's good to be out of that cave! And look at me - I'm a Prince! We have to get back to Peking. Any suggestions?

**Genie** Magic carpet?

**Aladdin** Magic carpet? I was thinking more like private jet or helicopter.

**Razz** Don't knock it until you've tried it.

**Genie** It's comfortable, reliable and very economical.

**Razz** And it's kind to the environment!

**Aladdin** Magic carpet it is then!

**Razz** What's in the bag, Aladdin?

**Aladdin** Sweets. I found them in the cave, so I thought I'd bring them along for the journey.

**Genie** We can't, it's prohibited to take sugary goods into Peking.

**Aladdin** What shall I do with them?

**Razz** I don't know.

**Genie** Give them to this lot.

**Razz** They don't want sweets; they've been stuffing their faces in the interval.

**Aladdin** I bet they do.

**Razz** Oh, no they don't.

**Aladdin** Oh, yes they do etc.

**Genie** It seems they do! Let's do it, we've got a flight to catch.

*Sweets are distributed.*

**Genie** Right, we're ready to go. Hop on.

*Genie rolls out the carpet and they all jump on. SFX Engine starting. SFX Intercom 'bing bong'.*

**Genie** My name is Genie and I will be your Captain today. I would like to welcome you on board this Easy Rug Magic Carpet flight 001, to Peking. Our flight time today will be approximately two minutes, unless we have a stopover due to excess applause! We will be flying at an altitude of around (*looks down from stage*)...two foot and travelling at the speed of a snail. There are several exits on this this Axminster A380 and if you need to evacuate the carpet in an emergency, then we suggest you jump out of one of them. Your life vest is located under your seat, along with a spare pair of knickers in case of a false alarm. Could you please make sure your seat backs and tray tables are in their upright position and that your seat belt is correctly fastened. Enjoy the flight!

## **Song 7**

*SFX Intercom 'bing bong'.*

**Genie** Welcome to Peking. The local time is a quarter to nine. The local temperature is fair and the local pub is the (*insert local pub*). The local locals, should generally be avoided whenever possible. Thank you for choosing to fly with Easy Rug and we look forward to seeing you back on board soon.

*They step off the rugs and roll it up.*

**Aladdin** That was an experience. I've never travelled by carpet before. I usually take the train.

**Razz** Eurostar?

**Aladdin** Thanks, I have been on telly but I'm no Brad Pitt!

**Genie** I've never been on the Eurostar. I did travel on the Orient Express though, it was murder.

**Razz** Personally, I prefer to travel by caravan.

**Genie** Camper?

**Razz** (*camp voice*) Personally, I prefer to travel by caravan.

**Aladdin** Let's get back to the launderette. I can't wait to see mums face when I tell her the news.

*They turn to face the curtain which opens on the village square. Wishee enters, hurrying along with his head down and a laundry bag over his shoulder. He bumps into Aladdin.*

**Wishee** Sorry Sir, my fault. I wasn't looking where I was...Aladdin, is that you?

**Aladdin** Hi, Wishee.

**Wishee** Where have you been? What's with all the posh gear, Aladdin?

**Aladdin** It's Prince Aladdin now.

**Wishee** Yeah right! And I'm King Wishee Washee.

**Razz** That is no way to speak to a Prince, young man.

**Aladdin** Wishee, may I introduce Razz and Genie.

**Razz** Hey there.

**Genie** Delighted.

**Wishee** Blimey, the circus is in town! Mum's been worried sick, Aladdin. When Uncle returned without you...

**Aladdin** He's not our Uncle, Wishee. He's an imposter! Where is he?

**Wishee** I have no idea. He wasn't very happy, he said you'd betrayed him and left him stranded. That he was lucky to escape with his life.

**Aladdin** Huh, it was the other way round.

*Twankee calls from off stage.*

**Twankee** Wisheee.

*She enters with Feng Shui.*

**Wishee** Mum, look who's home.

*Twankee rushes to Aladdin, they embrace and she proceeds to check him all over.*