Kung Fu Panda

“Discover Your Inner Awesomeness!”

2014 Nativity 8th Grade Play
Scene 1
“Be Legendary”

JADE PALACE - Character groups are in the audience creating excitement with songs and cheers. Curtain is closed. Narrators are in front of Curtain Stage Right with a spotlight. A Gong is rung three times to call attention to the three narrators.

LING LING Legend tells of a would-be dragon warrior raised in a noodle shop, never seeking glory or fame.

BO LING Ooooh Ya! Many throughout Peace Valley dream of being the Dragon Warrior, the Kung Fu Master of DUCK DYNASTY. Hi Ya!

RO LING Master Shifu trains the Furious 5 in the secrets of Kung Fu so that someday one of them might become the beloved Dragon Warrior.

LING LING But could a humble noodle boy ever hope to master the skills of bodaciousness and awesomeness?

RO LING Could Po, the clumsy Panda, ever live and train and fight with the Furious Five?

BO LING Oooh Ya. Let’s find out about this legend of awesomeness.

RO LING Join the Nativity 8th Grade Class of 2014 as we journey to the Orient in search of this great Kung Fu Master, the Dragon Warrior. (Gong)

(A song and dance number as total cast enters down center aisle carrying Chinese dragon. Crowd goes wild with applause.)
Scene 2
“Dream Big”

OUTSIDE NOODLE SHOP. Curtain closed. Stage left with a single spotlight, Po is napping under the peach tree and cuddling with the Furious 5 action figures. He’s dreaming and doing Furious 5 Kung Fu moves, while the narrators speak. Narrators are Stage Right with a spotlight.

BO LING Here we have Po, the humble, sleeping panda who works in a noodle shop but dreams of being the Dragon Warrior, the Kung Fu Master of Peace Valley (Gong)

(Po is dreaming doing Kung Fu action Furious 5 moves. A thundering beat plays in the distance.)

LING LING Po dreams of being so deadly that his enemies go blind from overexposure to his pure awesomeness.

BO LING In his dreams, it matters not how many foes he faces. They are no match for his bodacity. (Po rubs his giant belly.)

RO LING Never before in any bear’s dreams has a panda been so feared...

LING LING & BO LING ...And so loved!

PO’S DAD (Po’s Dad hollering from behind the curtain or side stage.) Po! Get up!

PO’S MOM You’re late for work my son.

PO Whu?

(Po flops about. He tries to clear his head and wake up, on a Furious 5 pillow he has been wrestling with and he struggles to get up.)

PO’S DAD Po! Are you daydreaming again?

PO SIGHS. (He attempts to kick himself to his feet but alas his belly is too worthy a foe.)

PO’S MOM Po! What are you doing out there?
PO Uh, nothing! (He calls back. Po imitates the Furious Five) Monkey! Mantis! Crane! Viper! Tigress! The Furious 5! I love these guys.

(Po hops to his feet, He is loud and his action figures keep crashing to the floor. Add clanking sound effects here.)

PO’S DAD (O.S.) Po! Let’s go!

PO’S MOM (O.S.) Chop chop.

PO’s DAD (O.S.) It’s noodle time.

PO’s MOM Time to make the noodles! Time to make the noodles! (Curtain opens all the way)

PO (walks down into the audience talking to the kids...) I don’t wanna go make noodles. Do you? I wanna stay here and play with these guys. Aren’t they awesome? Someday, I wanna learn to do the most awesomest Kung Fu. Can you do Kung Fu? I wanna be like the Furious 5! Wouldn’t that be cool?

PO’s MOM Time to make the noodles!

(calling back to his mom and dad)

PO Ok, Mom and Dad I’m coming! (Spotlights off.)
Scene 3

“Hold On To Your Dreams”

NOODLE SHOP - Curtain opens. Po has crossed from stage right and re-enters stage left in front of the stage interacting with the audience. Chef Morimoto and Mr. Pong are cooking in the kitchen which is a large counter separating the dining area. They are chopping and cooking hibachi style. A large menu hangs above and behind the kitchen counter. Po’s mom and granny are serving several high-top tables of standing characters. OOGWAY is curled up in his shell stage left. Po trips in, stumbling and Kung Fuing around.

PO      Sorry, Dad.

PO’S DAD      Sorry doesn't make the noodles son.

PO      I know, I know, but Iron Chef Morimoto is here to help. How can it get any better than that?

(The Iron Chef Morimoto bows and takes a dramatic knife wielding stance to the audience.)

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO Yes, cousin, I am The Iron Chef, (to the audience) one of the best on food network, (back to Po) but since I am missing your Dad’s secret ingredient to his world famous noodle soup, I am not the best … yet!

GRANNY PONG Did you try Wasabi? It could be Wasabi. If my memory serves me, I think it might have been….. (turning to Morimoto)

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO Yes, yes Granny Pong, I tried Wasabi.

(Po gets to work, which is not easy since the kitchen's not really made for a panda his size. Po’s Dad ignores Iron Chef’s comment and turns to his son.)

PO’S MOM      So Po, what were you doing out there anyway?

K. PIG PINKIE Were you practicing Kung Fu? Hi Ya!

PO      What? No. I just had a crazy dream.

(They all continue preparing and serving food.)
PO’S MOM  Honey, I hope it wasn’t a bad dream.

PO  No, ma it wasn’t bad at all… *(dreamy)*

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO  What was it about?

PPUFF BUTTERCUP  Yeah, what was it about?

PO  Huh?

PPUFF BUBBLES  What were you dreaming about? Tell us.

PO  What was I… eh, I was dreaming about uh... heh...

EVERYONE IN REST. *(in unison.)* Po! What were you dreaming about?

PO  *(Po jumps looking at the bowl in his hand)*
Noodles...

EVERYONE IN RESTAURANT  GASP

PPUFF BLOSSOM  Whoa, Noodles!!

*(THOK. Dad stops chopping vegetables. Mom stops what she is doing in shock and drops a bowl. Iron Chef stops what he is doing and listens with his chef knife in mid-air. The restaurant people go back to eating.)*

PO’S DAD  Noodles! Were you really dreaming about noodles my son? Woohoo! *(Po’s Dad goes and grabs the mom they rush to Po.)*

IRON CHEF  No way cuz … you were not dreaming about noodles. You don’t even like to cook.

PO  Uh, what? What else would I be dreaming about?

GRANDMASTER EAGLE  Dreaming? I dream about Granny Pong! *(winking)*

G.M. GORILLA  I dream of traveling the land as a grandmaster, teaching a higher form of Kung Fu, spreading all the ancient secrets that I know.
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<td>G.M. GORILLA</td>
<td>Ahhh yes. That is true.</td>
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<td>PPUFF BUBBLE</td>
<td>I dream about yoga. Check out my scorpion pose. (Quickly whipping out her yoga mat.)</td>
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<td>PPUFF BLOSSOM</td>
<td>Check out my firefly. (Quickly whipping out her yoga mat.)</td>
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<td>PPUFF BUTTERCUP</td>
<td>Check out my lotus pose. (whipping out her yoga mat.)</td>
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<td>K. PIG PINKIE</td>
<td>That’s incredible. But I don’t dream about yoga? I dream about bagel bites. (rubbing her tummy and knocking over all the yoga girls.) You with me Po?</td>
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<td>PO</td>
<td>Ya, those are good, but no......(Po hands a noodle bowl to Pigs.)</td>
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<td>GRANNY PONG</td>
<td>Careful, that soup is... hot!</td>
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<td>K. PIG UCHI WAZA</td>
<td>Thanks Granny! This noodle soup rocks!!</td>
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<td>PO’S DAD</td>
<td>Oh, happy day! My son, is finally having the noodle dream!</td>
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(He throws his arms around Po. Mom runs over and also embraces Po.)

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<td>You don’t know how long we’ve been waiting for this moment.</td>
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(When Mom and Dad pull out of the hug. Po is now wearing a noodle apron.)

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<td>Talk about a glorious day! The day I met you was glorious, my angel face, dreamy duckling.</td>
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<td>Hush, you old bird.</td>
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(Po looks at the apron nervously - what has he gotten himself into?)

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PO'S DAD      Po, your dream means that you are almost ready to be entrusted with the secret ingredient of my "Secret Ingredient Noodle Soup."

PO'S MOM      And then you will fulfill your destiny and take over the restaurant.

PO'S DAD      Just as I took it over from my father, who took it over from his father.

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO      So, am I out of the picture? I guess I'll never learn the secret ingredient, ever.

G.M GORILLA      (He stands up and put his arm around the iron chef.) Be patient my son. One never knows what the future holds.

PO      Dad, it was just a dream.

PO'S DAD      No son, it was THE dream. We are noodle folk. Broth runs through our veins.

PO      But Mom and Dad, didn't you ever, I dunno, want to do something else?

MORIMOTO      Something besides noodles?

PO'S MOM      Actually… when your father and I were young, we thought about running away to make ... TOFU!

(Po looks surprised. Dad winks at his wife who smiles back then has a wistful look in his eyes.)

PPUFF BLOSSOM      Mr. Pong, why didn't you?

PO'S DAD      Oh, because it was a stupid dream. Can you imagine, ME making tofu? (laughs at the thought)

GRANNY PONG      We all have dreams, Po dear. You just need to work hard to achieve them.

G.M. GORILLA      That is true Granny Pong.

GRANDMASTER GOAT      Dream of delighting the world with kindness and compassion, and you will experience the
GRANDMASTER EAGLE (jumping up and down) Granny, you are my miracle of life.

GRANNY PONG Grandmaster Screaming Eagle, are these your dentures on the table?

PPUFF BUBBLES I dream about doing yoga everyday after school.

PPUFF BLOSSOM And by (make air quotes) "doing yoga," do you really mean falling asleep in child’s pose?

PPUFF BLOSSOM Ahh, you are so mean Buttercup. That only happened once.

PPUFF BUTTERCUP It’s astounding how you think that “doing yoga” is the simple act of switching from skinny jeans to yoga pants.

PPUFF BUBBLE Ok, girls we’re talking about dreams here, not yoga pants.

K. PIG PINKIE Our dream has always been to guard and defend The Duck Dynasty. Hiii Yaaaa.

KARATE UCHI WAZA And all of the royal family. (PIGS stand at attention and do karate chop sequence.)

KARATE PIG UKE WAZA Ahhhhhh Kung Fuuuu!

PO’S DAD And your dream Po is to make noodles, many, many noodles here with me and your mom and your granny.

(PO’S DAD, K. PIG PINKIE, GRANDMASTER EAGLE and GRANNY PONG turn to look and gawk. The 5 sign autographs on their way to the counter.)

PO Oh my great fists of fury! It’s the The Furious Five.

MONKEY Good morning large panda.

PO AHHHHHH. I can’t believe it. The legendary Furious Five! You are here in our noodle shop!
You’re so much bigger than your action figures. Except for you, Mantis. You’re the same.

CRANE Can we get a couple Chai teas to go please?

PO Of course, of course. You are the most heroic heroes in all of Duck Dynasty.

VIPER Make mine a double espressssssssssssss half-caf sssssssskinny latte mocha, with whip pleasssssssssse. *(looking at Monkey)* What? I like what I like.

PO Sure anything, anything.

MONKEY Ok, then add a banana to mine.

MANTIS Add some protein powder to mine. I’m trying to bulk up like Tigress here.

TIGRESS May I please have a small Dew of a Mountain.

IRON CHEF Is that a Mountain Dew?

TIGRESS No sir. It’s a drop of dew from the sacred mountain. It is the juice of the universe.

MRS PONG *(Handing them drinks in a carrier with one whole banana sticking out of one.)* Here you go. Four speciality teas and one drop of dew. Thanks for stopping by. *(They pay her.)* We don’t get celebrities very often.

CRANE Our Master Shifu sent us on a journey looking for the great Master Oogway. We sensed he was here. Have you seen him? *(Talking to the old time grandmasters.)*

G.M GORILLA No, we haven’t seen him. But I love that wise old turtle. He taught me that joy is the essence of success.

GRANDMASTER EAGLE He taught me that love is unchanging and limitless. *(winking at Granny.)*
TIGRESS If you see him, please tell him Master Shifu is looking for him.

CRANE We heard he has had a vision about the Dragon Scroll. We must find him. (They bow to the old grandmasters and exit.)

PO Whaaaat? Theeee dragon scroll? (Po is beside himself and clumsily drops a tray of bosco sticks.)

MR PONG (Looking down at the fallen food.) Tell everyone on your journey that we’re having a special on bosco sticks.

(A song and dance number. A GONG sounds in the distance. Po exits. Everyone goes back about their business of eating and serving and chopping. Restaurant lighting dims grey. Courtyard becomes brightly lit.)
Scene 4

“The Time Is Now”

PALACE GARDEN - Shifu enters and strides purposefully around the garden searching for Master Oogway. Master Oogway is meditating hidden in his shell. Shifu walks past him a couple of times calling.

MASTER OOGWAY

SHIFU

Master Oogway. Where could he be? Oh where could he be? (Finally, Shifu sits on “the large rock”, which is Oogway’s shell, and is completely startled when it moves. Reveal Master Oogway... a wise, old tortoise. Shifu is startled then backs away and bows.) You summoned me. Is something wrong? (with concern and urgency in his voice)

SHIFU

OOGWAY

(patientsly and wise) Why must something be wrong for me to want to see my old friend?

SHIFU

So... nothing’s wrong?

OOGWAY

Well, I didn’t say that.

SHIFU

Continue… (impatiently)

OOGWAY

I have had a vision... Tai Lung, your former student, will return. He will come back for the Dragon Scroll.

(Shifu looks stricken.)

SHIFU

That is impossible. He is in prison.

OOGWAY

Nothing is impossible.

SHIFU

That is true, your wiseness. I must tighten security at Jancich Jail. (Clapping twice & calling out stage left) Ying! Yang! Ying! Yang!

(Ying and Yang come flying in. Shifu gets in their faces.)

YING

Ying at your service, Master Shifu
YANG Yang at your service, Master Shifu

SHIFU Go to Jancich Jail and tell them to double the guards, double their weapons. Double everything! Tai Lung does not leave that prison!

YING Yes, Master Shifu. Ka kaw.

YANG Yes, Master Shifu. Ka kaw.

YING Double the dungeon guards.

YANG Double the dungeon guards.

YING Tai Lung can’t escape.

YANG Tai Lung mustn’t escape.

BOTH Ka kaw. Ka kaw.

*(Both macaws fly off, but... SMACK! They run into each other; then they are off. Oogway, paces slowly, away from Shifu.)*

OOGWAY Double the guards all you want. But one often meets his destiny on the road he takes to avoid it.

SHIFU Well, I have to do something. We can’t just let Tai Lung march into Peace Valley, harm the villagers, steal the dragon scroll and take over Duck Dynasty. He’ll, he’ll- *(Getting more agitated as he talks.)*

*(OOGWAY walks over to a small pool/ bird bath type)*

OOGWAY Your mind is like this water in the mystical moon pool, my friend, when it is agitated it becomes difficult to see. *(Oogway uses his finger or stick to stir the water in the pool)* But if you allow it to settle, the answer becomes clear. *(Narrators GONG the GONG)*

SHIFU *(Looking into the moon pool)* The Dragon Scroll?

*(Spotlight on large Dragon Scroll hanging from the ceiling. Dramatic music playing.)*
OOGWAY  It is time. *(putting his hands together in prayer)*

SHIFU  Time? What? Oh yes.. It is time for THE DRAGON SCROLL to finally go to the Dragon Warrior in case Tai Lung DOES escape. But who? Who is worthy to be trusted with the secret to limitless power? Who can become...the Dragon Warrior?

OOGWAY  *(Oogway searches the audience then says)* I don’t know.

SHIFU  I will assemble the Furious 5 for a Kung Fu Tournament to find a Dragon Warrior worthy of receiving the Dragon Scroll. *(looking and pointing dramatically to the audience.)* Who do you think will become the Dragon Warrior?

*(They exit the stage. Lights go dim on Courtyard. Lights are lit in restaurant.)*
Scene 5

“Look for the Good News”

NOODLE SHOP - Po enters. He and Granny Pong and Po's mom are serving customers but Po has trouble squeezing between tables. Granny Pong is following Po around helping him.

GRANNY PONG Oop ... sorry, honey. Po can't help his size.
(As Po hits a customer.)

KARATE PIG UKE WAZA Hey! Watch it, Po!

GRANNY PONG He's sorry, dear.

(Po sucks his belly in, but this causes his backside to interfere with a customers meal.)

PPUFF BUTTERCUP Po! My noodles!!

GRANNY PONG Oop! Sorry! A thousand pardons for Po.

(Two palace fox walk into the courtyard. All the villagers look anticipating a royal announcement.)

PALACE FOX SLY (enters and bows) Here ye! Here ye! (GONG)

(The crowd says together or music plays)

CROWD. What does the fox say??

PALACE FOXES Ding, Ding, Ding Da Ding Da Ding Ding.

PALACE FOX TY His Wiseness Master Oogway, the most honorable Kung Fu Master of Duck Dynasty, will choose a Dragon Warrior today! (GONG)

OLD GRANDMASTERS What? What did the fox say?

PALACE FOXES Ding, Ding, Ding Da Ding Da Ding Ding.

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO Master Oogway's choosing the Dragon Warrior!

GRANNY PONG Today?

(Po is antsy and totally distracted from serving. Customers jump up excitedly.)
PPUFF BUBBLES This is a legendary day in Duck Dynasty. It’s finally time. One of the Furious Five will receive the Dragon Scroll!

PPUFF BLOSSOM I can’t believe it’s today.

PPUFF BUTTERCUP I’m just happy these Grandmasters are still around to see this historic event. (pointing to Gorilla, Eagle and Goat.)

G.M GORILLA Me too. First I must finish my soup. All things in good time.

(Po urges the villagers out the restaurant. Customers rush to finish their food.)

MORIMOTO We’ve been waiting a thousand years for this! Let’s go people!

(Other customers are finishing their soup.)

GRANNY PONG Let’s all hotfoot it to the Palace!

GRANDMASTER EAGLE Let me escort you Granny Pong. It does not matter how slowly you go so long as you do not stop.

GRANNY PONG Well, ok. (They scoot off hand in hand.)

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO This is the greatest day in Kung Fu history! (watching the two walk off.)

(Only Po and his parents are left on stage. Po starts to run out.)

PO’S DAD Po! Where are you going?

(Po stops dead in his tracks, busted.)

PO To the ... Palace?

PO’S DAD But you’re forgetting your noodle cart! The whole valley will be there, and you’ll sell noodles to all of them.

PO Sell noodles? But Dad, you know, I was kinda thinking maybe I...

PO’S DAD Yeah?
PO

I was kinda thinking maybe I...

PO'S DAD

Uh huh?

(Po wants to say something to his dad, but he loses his nerve.)

PO

... we could also sell these bosco sticks that are on sale?

PO'S DAD

That's my boy! I told you that dream was a sign!
Scene 6

“Dare To Be Different”

JADE PALACE - In front of curtain Narrators are Stage Right while Emperor Phil, Empress Kay and Princess Pei enter Stage Left.

LING LING    The long awaited Dragon Warrior ceremony is about to begin and the entire Peace Valley has gathered at the Palace arena for this historic event.

BO LING    Not everyone, *(laughing)* Po is still trying to get his noodle cart and himself up the bazillion stairs to the Palace.

LING LING    I don’t think Po will make it. He might miss the ceremony.

RO LING    I hope not. Look, here we see the Royal Family of Duck Dynasty. It’s Emperor Phil, his Empress Kay, and their daughter, Princess Pei.

EMPEROR PHIL    What a good day for the Dragon Warrior ceremony. Let’s take our place on the Royal thrones.

PRINCESS PEI    What? Why do we have to be so formal. Can’t we just be in the crowd? Can’t I just be with my friends?

EMPEROR PHIL    My father and his father sat in those thrones. It is tradition. Next you will be telling me you don’t want to carry on our royal duties.

PRINCESS PEI    You are right Father, I don’t. I shouldn’t have to marry who you choose for me just because you think it will be beneficial for the dynasty. Plus, I’m not crazy about this tiara either.

EMPEROR PHIL    Not this argument again. Empress Kay, can’t
you talk to her? Princess Pei, I'm afraid that if I left it up to you, you would marry some yuppie singer from the band "One Wei" I can't have it! I won't have it!

PRINCESS PEI (pleadingly) Mother?

EMPRESS KAY I'm sorry, I must agree with your father. We know what is best for you and for the dynasty. And Phil honey, the band is called One Direction not One Wei.

PRINCESS PEI Neither of you understand me at all! I do want to fulfill my destiny… I want to get out and be with the people of the dynasty (to the audience while counting on her fingers) I want to make friends and have fun, not get married so young.

EMPRESS KAY Pei, you are a princess, being royal is your destiny, now act like it!

EMPEROR PHIL Come now. We are expected at the Palace for the ceremony to see who Master Oogway will choose as Dragon Warrior. Whoever it is will keep peace in our Duck Dynasty.

PRINCESS PEI Uggghhhhh. (Exasperated, Pei takes the chopsticks out of her bun and throws off her royal robe and runs off.)

UNCLE SI Now what's all that about? Princess Pei plumb near run me over!

EMPEROR PHIL Uncle Si, Princess Pei ran off into the Valley again.

UNCLE SI What? She don’t wanna be Royal no more? Heck, I hear ya’. Man, it’s a lot work bein’ Royal round here.

EMPERESS KAY All you do is sit around Si.

UNCLE SI Ya well, as long as ya’ll don’t make me shave my beard or stop wearin’ camo. I guess I'll
stick around.

EMPEROR PHI  Let's head over to the arena for the Dragon Warrior tournament. Si, you keep a look out for the Princess.

UNCLE SI  Alrighty! I sure will. But I hope they are serving PLTs at the ceremony… (to the audience) You know, PLT … that is Possum, Lettuce, Tomato! (pointing to a student) Don't you like to eat possum sandwiches?

EMPRESS KAY  Possum is spelled with an “O”. It'd be OLT Uncle Si.

UNCLE SI  Oh...whatever you say your Majesty. (They cross to the Royal chairs upstage. Curtain opens.)

Scene 7

“Choose Your Path”

JADE PALACE - Total cast, except prison scene characters, comes into courtyard from back of gym. Emperor and Empress are seated with Uncle Si and one empty chair for Princess. The crowd is interacting.

PPUFF BUTTERCUP  This Palace is amazing!

PPUFF BUBBLES  Do you see the Royal family?

PPUFF BLOSSOM  Wow! I wonder what the Princess is wearing today. Do you see her?

K. PIG UCHI WAZA  Wow! This is incredible. But I don't see Po. Po is the most legendary Kung Fu fan ever! I wonder if he'll make it. Hiii-Ya. (He karate chops Pork chop.)

K. PIG PINKE  I am sure he will "drop in" soon. (He jumps in the air and tries to kick Hi-ya in the teeth.)

K. PIG UKE WAZA  Po would never miss this! (Ducking to a near miss.)
(Po stands at the back of gym with spotlight on him with his noodle cart, looking up at the daunting task before him. Po struggles to pull his noodle cart down the aisle dropping stuff, hat hanging to the side, apron on funny, noodles hanging off the cart trailing behind, he trips over them. Until he gets to the bottom of the steps of the stage skirt.)

PO

What? No! Oh No!

(Four 10-10 elephants pass by carrying Granny Pong on 10-10 Rickshaw.)

MICK SHAW

Coming thru…

RICK SHAW

Watch it…

TRICK SHAW

Sorry, Po didn't see you there. You better hurry. The tournament is about to start. You don't want to miss it.

NICK SHAW

Don't worry, Po, I'll bring you back a souvenir!

(Pei walks in to meet Po at bottom of stage.)

PRINCESS PEI

Hey Po, was that your Granny in the 10-10 Rickshaw?

PO

Yeah, Granny gets free rides because Grandmaster Screaming Eagle owns the taxi company and he looooves Granny Pong. What are you doing outside the Palace, the Dragon Warrior Tournament is about to begin? Are you shirking your royal duties again?

PRINCESS PEI

Royal duties? seriously! My parents don't get me. I like it better out in the village, with my friends. Can I help you with that? (gesturing to the noodle cart)

PO

Sure, thanks. This is THE event of a lifetime and I can't get up the stairs with this noodle cart! My parents don't get me either. They think I am here to sell NOODLES!

PRINCESS PEI

I know, right.

PO

I just have to get in there. I will do anything!
PRINCESS PEI  I know a secret way into the arena … Dr. Huppe had a brand new elevator put in around this way (wink to the audience, parents)… follow me… (she helps him push the cart)

(Curtain closes so we can make set look like the arena with round center stage area for competition, stands for spectators, Sports Center announcer area, elevated royal box for royal family, etc.)
Scene 8

“Dreams Do Come True”

JADE PALACE ARENA - Show reporter box with all four Ninja Turtles sitting in high barstools wearing headsets like in ESPN gameday, overlooking the arena ready to report. The turtles can be making ninjutsu moves while talking. The Furious 5 are stretching and working out, taking center stage as the ringmasters introduce them. Audience around the arena are Oldtimers, PPuff girls, Bunnies, and K. Pigs. Bebo the Ox is working crowd control. The Palace fox are in the wings.

LEONARDO Here we are at the Palace for the Dragon Warrior tournament. It is a paramount day for Kung Fu, isn't it bros? (posing)

MICHELANGELO Absolutely Epic! (taking his pose)

DONATELLA Actually not just in Kung Fu history but in all of Martial Arts! (looking smart by rubbing his chin)

LEONARDO Let’s see… our line up today. We have the entire Furious Five here. We have Masters Tigress, Praying Mantis, Crane, Monkey and Viper. What is your take, bro?

RAPHAEL Well, there is Tigress, strongest of all of them, trained from childhood by Master Shifu and then there’s Francis, the Praying Mantis, with his “Staying still for a really long time” technique!

LEONARDO Yep, Master Praying Mantis used to be so impatient. Now he’s pure awesomeness.

MICHELANGELO Also, there is Viper with her powerful snake dance. You know how we all LOVE snakes here in Duck Dynasty. (wink wink to the crowd) And Crane, with his...with his… (whispering) Help me out here bro!

RAPHAEL (interrupting) Don’t forget, Monkey! My favorite! I have three words for him. B.A.D. I mean
letters. He’s so bad. Bad as in BADTASTILY awesome.

DONATELLA  (holding a pencil and paper) Well, if you look at the numbers, calculate technique and experience, my analysis is...

MICHELANGELO  (interrupting) Well looky here. Welcome Master Oogway. Are you ready to choose the Dragon Warrior?

OOGWAY  Yes it is time, and I feared I would not live to see this day.

MICHELANGELO  Us too, how old are you anyway? (laughing)

LEONARDO  (answering) Big day, big day! I am sure Master Oogway needs to be on his way. Thanks for your time, Master.

RAPHAEL  Yeah, he better get going before he misses the Tournament. Not all turtles are made for speed you know  (joking about how slow he is)

OOGWAY  Aw yes, the journey of a thousand miles begins but with a single step.

NINJA TURTLES  Alrighty then.  (Looking confused)

(As Shifu contemplates what this could mean, Oogway starts walking off. Shifu quickly joins Oogway as they head towards the roaring crowd below. The palace fox bangs the gong. Music plays.)

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RINGMASTER BARNUM  Let the DRAGON WARRIOR games begin!
RINGMASTER BAILEY  And may the odds be ever in your favor...
RINGMASTER BARNUM  Citizens of the Valley of Peace! It is our great honor to present to you...
RINGMASTER BAILEY  Master Tigress!
TIGRESS  (jumping into the arena with a big Kung Fu move) I'm Tigress! Get ready to feel my THUNDER!
RINGMASTER BAILEY  Master Crane!
CRANE  (jumping into the arena with a big Kung Fu move) I'm Crane! I soar … I swoop … Whoop Whoop
RINGMASTER BARNUM  Master Viper!
VIPER  (jumping into the arena with a big Kung Fu move) I'm Viper! Check out my sssssnakety-sssssssnake sssssskills. (signature ribbon move) Feel my power!
RINGMASTER BARNUM  Master Monkey!
MONKEY  (jumping into the arena with a big Kung Fu move) I'm Badtastically Fantastic! (back flip) Hi-yaah
RINGMASTER BARNUM  Master Francis the Praying Mantis!
PRAYING MANTIS  (jumping into the arena with a big Kung Fu move) Master Mantis! (to the audience) Lighting fast and furious.
ALL  Ahhh Kung Fuuuuu! (All jump out and do their signature pose! Paparazzi all jump in and take photos.)
RINGMASTERS:  The Furious Five!

(The Five jump into the middle of the ring and start prancing around the stage ready for the performance.)

ALL SPECTATORS  The Furious Five!

(Three Sassy Bunnies in front row of arena, highlighted with spot light.)

FIFI BUNNY  I can't believe we are here in the Palace.
Selfie! *(Taking a selfie with iPhone)*

CICI BUNNY I know right. Post that on Instagram! Take one of me!

MIMI BUNNY Send that to me! This is totally "cra" Look the Furious five!

FIFI BUNNY #best event of the year

CICI BUNNY #front row seats

MIMI BUNNY #Dragon Warrior rules

*(Lights shift back to center of arena on Shifu and Oogway.)*

SHIFU Warriors prepare!

*(Oogway senses something. He raises his hand, the music stops and the crowd hushes.)*

OOGWAY Wait! Hold on! I sense .... the Dragon Warrior .... already!

*(GONG Shifu motions for the Five to gather in the center of the ring.)*

RINGMASTER BARNUM Citizens of the Valley of Peace! Master Oogway will now choose... the Dragon Warrior!

*(Oogway closes his eyes and raises his hand as the Palace foxes play ceremonial DRUMS. Crowd grows silent. Telephone rings off stage. Crowd parts and spotlight shines on Po in the middle of the audience answering his cell phone.)*

PO Yello?

PO'S DAD *(O.S.)* Po?

PO Dad?

PO'S DAD *(CONT'D)* How’s the noodle sale going? Selling any bosco sticks?

PO What? I can’t hear you. We’ve got a bad connection. Let me move over here... sorry....sorry *(stepping on people, oblivious, bumping into them moving towards the center of ring)* Can you hear me now? Can you hear me
now?

PO'S DAD *(O.S)*

Noodles, son ... Noodles

PO

I'm not selling noodles! I just want to see who the dragon warrior will be!!

PO'S DAD

But I don't understand. You finally had the noodle dream.

PO

I lied. I'm sorry. Will you forgive me? I don't dream about noodles. I'm losing you dad. Can you hear me now? Ugh! Dad I'm losing ...you. I don't dream about noodles. I love Kung Fuuuuuuu.

(Po trips over the last person in the crowd and tumbles over himself until he lands in the middle of the ring and loses his phone. Po is in front of Tigress. Right as Oogway's arm sweeps down the line of the expectant Furious Five... The tension builds as the Furious Five wait to see who will be picked. Po sees the Furious Five looking down at him, appalled. Po comes round slowly, getting his bearings. He looks around and sees Oogway. Strangely, the old turtle is smiling.)

PO

What's going on?? What are you pointing-?

(He looks up. An awful realization starts to dawn on him. Po GULPS. He is desperately embarrassed.)

PO

Oh. Okay. Sorry. I just wanted to see who the Dragon Warrior was.

(He tries to shuffle away, mumbling apologies.)

OOGWAY

How interesting.

TIGRESS

Master, are you pointing at...me?

OOGWAY

Him. *(pointing at Po)*

PO

Who-?

(Po tries moving out of the way of Oogway's finger, but it keeps following him.)

OOGWAY

You.

PO

Me?

(Oogway grabs Po's hand and holds it up for all to see.)
OOOGWAY

Warrior!

PO

What?

FURIOUS FIVE

What?

SHIFU

What?

FIFI BUNNY

Wow! Somebody better post that on Youtube!!

(GONG. The crowd goes wild! They cheer! They scream! The ringmasters get everyone excited. Bebo signals for the confetti to fall and for Music to play)

SHIFU

Stop! Wait! (Turning to Bebo) Who told you to-

BEBO the OX

(Confused) I just thought?.... Oogway pointed?

(Po stands there, utterly stunned, his mouth hanging open.)

SHIFU

Master Oogway, wait! That flabby panda can't possibly be the answer to … our problem. You were about to point at Tigress. That “thing” fell in front of her. That was just an accident!

OOOGWAY

There are no accidents; just providence.

(Rickshaw elephants enter carrying a rickshaw over to Po and attempt to carry him off.)

RICK SHAW

How are we gonna get him on this?

NICK SHAW

Yeah, I think they were planning on a smaller Dragon Warrior

(Po attempts to get on the rickshaw.)

MICK SHAW

1, 2 and lift!!

TRICK SHAW

Wow this panda is one heavy bear!

(Po is being lifted with great effort on 10-10 taxi. The crowd circles around Po and the Elephants singing and dancing., blocking the audiences view. A crash sound. The crowd parts and Po, the Elephants and the rickshaw are in a pile on floor.

Shifu looks at Oogway. Oogway just smiles. The Kung Fu Pigs, like SWAT team style, hut, hut, hut, help pick up Po and the Elephants and they all exit stage heading to the Palace. Stunned, Shifu watches them
go. Behind him, the Five approach Shifu and bow.)

TIGRESS Forgive us, Master. We have failed you.
(Bowing her head)

SHIFU No. If the panda has not quit by morning, then
I will have failed you.

(The celebration continues around them. Curtain closes.)
Scene 9

“Nothing Can Hold Me Down”

JANCICH JAIL - Curtain is closed. Narrators are standing in spotlight.

LING LING Now we are headed to Jancich Jail where Tai Lung is held prisoner for his crimes against the people of Peace Valley.

RO LING Tai Lung, along with his two partners in crime, the notorious Lobos brothers, are secure in a prison carved into a side of a frozen mountain.

BO LING Made of 15 stories of iron and rock with no windows. Guarded by the toughest and roughest Rhinos in Peace Valley

(Curtain opens)

WOLF COAL (singing) Nobody knows the trouble I have seen, Nobody knows my sorrow.....

WOLF ACE Really that song AGAIN... 20 years of that same song...

WOLF COAL It’s my singing isn’t it? Just say you don’t like my singing....

WOLF ACE You’re right, your singing AND the song are driving me crazy...

TAI LUNG (slow and methodical) Boys Boys, save your energy for when we are free.

WOLF COAL Free, you mean when we get out of here. HaHaHa!

WOLF ACE No chance of that, you are crazier than that old turtle who put you here.
TAI LUNG Ahhh yes, Oogway, the wise turtle, who denied me the Dragon Scroll even after I mastered Kung Fu AND his notorious nerve attacks. And there is ShiFu, who did nothing to object Oogway’s decision. They will soon regret they put me here.

WOLF COAL Boss, even if you did escape, Oogway’s power is too great. He defeated you when you unleashed your fury on the Palace. And put us here in Jancich Jail.

WOLF ACE Yeah, remember, you tried to take the Dragon Scroll by force and Shifu stopped you.

TAI LUNG Yes, I remember well. After training me in Kung Fu from a young cub, treating me like his only son, Shifu still refused me what was I was due. Shifu let Oogway convince him I was too proud and overconfident to be the Dragon Warrior. However, Shifu was weak. Because he cared for me, he wasn’t able to defeat me. hhhaaaaa

WOLF COAL Right, right. It was Oogway and his powerful pressure points attack that defeated you.

TAI LUNG (Irritated by the memory, Growls) Quiet!! Someone is coming...

(Commander and Vice Commander Rhino are walking across the stage toward 3 more prison guard rhinos lined up standing shoulder to shoulder. STOMP dance sequence)

(Ying and Yang come flying in all haphazardly running in to the Commander.)

YING Wait!

YANG Wait!

YING We bring a message from Master Shifu.

YANG You must double the guards here at the prison.

YING You must double the guards here at the
prison.

BOTH Ka Kawn. Ka Kawn.

COMMANDER KAMAE What? Double the guards! I think I'm HEARING double with you twin birds. And I don't like what I'm hearing the first time.

VICE COMMANDER ZUKI That's the trouble with you birds. The double talk.

YANG You must take extra precautions.

YING Take extra precautions.

VICE COMMANDER ZUKI Extra precautions? Ha!

(The birds are quaking in fear. Stern Rhinos are standing in a line shoulder to shoulder blocking the view of Tai Lung from the audience.)

COMMANDER KAMAE You doubt my prison's security?

YING Absolutely not!

YANG Definitely not!

YING But...Shifu does.

YANG Yeah Shifu, not us.

YING We are just messengers of Oogway's vision.

YANG We are here to warn you.

BOTH Tai Lung will escape!

COMMANDER KAMAE Escape? I'll give you a message for your Master Shifu:

COMMANDER & VICE (together) Escape from Jancich Jail.

Impossible!

YING & YANG Impossible?

(The commander hits the bird on the back.)

COMMANDER KAMAE My guards are on highest alert guarding Tai Lung!
RHINO SILVERADO  *(Scary Grunt)* Nobody gets past us!

RHINO DAKOTA One way in.

RHINO ESCALADE One way out.

RHINO SILVERADO High alert! 24/7!

COMMANDER KAMAE We have a thousand rhino guards surrounding Tai Lung and his cohorts in crime.

RHINO DAKOTA They are our only prisoners.

RHINO ESCALADE Yeah, 1000 rhinos to 3! Beat those odds.

YING. Impressive.

COMMANDER KAMAE Behold, Tai Lung. *(scary music plays.)*

YING & YANG Ahhhhh… *(The birds back away in fear.)*

VICE COMMANDER ZUKI There’s nothing to worry about. It’s perfectly safe. We have them completely guarded!

*(He shoves the birds out ahead of him. Feathers fly off the birds all over the floor. Tai Lung grabs a very large feather from floor with no one but the audience noticing. Tai Lung hides it.)*

YING Oof!

YANG Scaaaary!

*(They approach TAI LUNG, a giant, muscular snow leopard behind a prison gate. Two other prisoners, the Lobos brothers Coal and Ace, are in the cell with him. He barely registers signs of life. The commander walks right up to him.)*

COMMANDER KAMAE Hey, tough guy, did you hear? Oogway’s finally gonna give someone the Dragon Scroll…

VICE COMMANDER ZUKI …and it’s not gonna be you! *(laughing)*

YING What are you doing?

YANG Don’t get him mad!

WOLF COAL What?! That Dragon scroll belongs to Tai Lung!
WOLF ACE    Shifu would never. Tai Lung trained his whole life for that scroll.
(The birds can't believe it. Tai Lung does not respond.)

COMMANDER KAMAE  What's he gonna do about it? He can't escape.

RHINO SILVERADO  He'll never break free.

RHINO DAKOTA    Tell Shifu he's got nothing to worry about.

RHINO ESCALADE  And tell Oogway that the people of Peace Valley in the Duck Dynasty are 100 percent safe! (Grunt)
(While the Rhino's are talking, Tai Lung uses the bird's feather to pick the lock. Tai Lung BURSTS free from his cell. He runs over and picks the locks of his buddies. An ALARM RINGS OUT!)

YING       What's happening?
(The Rhino's and Tai Lung and his gang have a stage battle.)

TAI LUNG   (Tai Lung grabs Ying)  I'm glad Shifu sent you. I was beginning to think I had been forgotten!! Fly back and tell your Master, The real Dragon Warrior is coming home.
(Tai Lung sends the birds off.)

WOLF COAL  (Yelling after the birds)  Yeah, go tell them Tai Lung was just pardoned!

WOLF ACE    That's right! Free as a bird! And he is coming home to roost! (laughing)
(Tai Lung growls at the wolves. Tai Lung and his gang run after the birds. The Rhinos chase them.)

COMMANDER KAMAE  You won't get far Tai Lung.

VICE COMMANDER ZUKI We are coming after youuuuuuuuu.
Scene 10

“Prepare to Persevere”

JADE PALACE COURTYARD - Shifu and Po are standing in front of closed curtain.

SHIFU  Sooooo, you're the legendary Dragon Warrior. Hmmm?

PO      Uh...I guess so?

(Shifu smiles and shakes his head.)

SHIFU      Wrong! You are not the Dragon Warrior. You will never be the Dragon Warrior until you have learned the secret of the Dragon Scroll.

(He points to a dragon on the ceiling with a single scroll in its mouth.)

PO      (in awe) Whoa... So how does this work? How do I get up there? You have a ladder or trampoline or...?

SHIFU   You think it's that easy? That I am just going to hand you the secret to limitless power? (his voice rising with each word.)

(Po nods “no” several times.)

SHIFU   One must first master the highest level of Kung Fu. And that is clearly impossible if that one is someone like you.

PO      Someone like me?

(Curtain opens. Shifu steps out of the way and Po's face goes into shock. The Five are performing death-defying Kung Fu moves in the training hall, with Sensei Jillian helping. Tigress does a signature Kung Fu move and Po is awestruck! Po is intimidated and overwhelmed.)

(Po and Shifu walk into training room to meet Sensei Jillian and the Furious Five. She walks around Po - pointing out his weaknesses.)

SHIFU   Po, this is Sensei Jillian, she is a top trainer at
the Palace. She works with the Furious 5.
She will help us get started.

SENSEI JILLIAN
Really Shifu, seriously, Look at him... flabby arms. Pokes him in the arms with staff.

PO
Hey! Those are sensitive ... in the flabby parts.

SENSEI JILLIAN
And this Bo-dacious belly and no regard for hygiene

(Jillian HITS Po in the belly with her body bar.)

PO
Hey...Now wait a minute. That's a little uncalled for (pointing at Shifu.) Listen...Oogway said that I was the- (Shifu pinches Po's outstretched digit.) Wha? The Wuxi Finger Hold? Not the Wuxi Finger Hold!

SHIFU
(saying to Jillian) Oh, he knows this hold?

PO
YES! It was developed by Master Wuxi in the Third Dynasty. It is the most feared Kung Fu technique in all Peace Valley.

(The 5 now walk over to Po, Jillian, and Shifu.)

CRANE
Oh, then you must know what happens when he flexes his pinky.

(Po nervously eyes his finger locked in Shifu's grip and nods quickly.)

MONKEY
You know the hardest part of this? The hardest part is cleaning up afterwards...(laughing)

PO
Okay! Okay! Take it easy...

SHIFU
Now listen closely, Panda. Oogway may have picked you, but when I'm through with you, I promise you, you're going to wish he hadn't. Are we clear?

PO
Yeah, We are so clear.
(Shifu lets go of Po, Po recoils and rubs his finger, kissing it)

SHIFU  Good.  Sensei Jillian, lets get started.

(The Furious 5 walk over to Po.  Po is in awe with the Furious 5 standing before him.)

PO    Whoa! The Furious Five right here!  I get to see you twice in one day!

PRAYING MANTIS  Ok, right, you’re the giant panda from the noodle shop. Let’s see what you can do noodle boy.

PO    Wait wait wait...What? Now?

TIGERESS  Yes...now. Unless you think the great Oogway was wrong, and you are not the Dragon Warrior.

PO    Oh, okay. Well- I don't know if I can do ALL of those moves.

SENSEI JILLIAN  Well, if we don't try, we'll never know will we?

PO    Uh, yeah. It's just, maybe we can find something more suited to my level.

SHIFU    And what level is that?

PO    Well, ya know...I'm not a master, but uh, let's just start at zero, level zero.

VIPER    There is no such thing as level zero.

PO    Hey! Maybe I can start with that.

(Po points at a rather friendly-looking dummy.)

MANTIS   That? We use that for training children.

MONKEY   And for propping the door open when it's hot.

SHIFU    Go ahead Po, if you insist...

(Relieved, Po turns to the blow up punching dummy. The Five gather around him.)

SENSEI JILLIAN  Go ahead, panda. Show us what you can do. “Get comfortable with being uncomfortable!”
PO  Um, are they gonna watch? Or should I just wait until they get back to work or something...

SHIFU  Hit it.

PO  Ok. I mean, I just ate. So I'm still digesting... So my Kung Fu might not be as good as later on. Alright. Whatcha got? You got nothin cause I got it right here. You picking on my friends? Get ready to feel the POWER. I'm comin' at him with the crazy feet. Whatcha gonna do about my crazy feet? I'm a blur. I'm a blur. You never seen bear style, you only seen praying Mantis! OR... I could come at you Monkey style. OR... I'm comin' at ya snikity-snake.

(Jillian, Shifu and the Five stare at Po, perplexed.)

VIPER  WOULD YOU HIT IT! You feather-brained panda.

CRANE  Hey, feathers are our friends.

(Po lightly hits the dummy and it rocks back into place.)

MONKEY  Why don't you try again?

MANTIS  A little harder...

(Po punches it again, knocking it all the way backwards. He turns to Shifu, smug.)

PO  How's tha. WHAP! (The dummy rights itself and smacks Po. Totally dazed, Po trips and stumbles…) Ow, that hurts.

SENSEI JILLIAN  Let's show him how to do it.

(The Furious Five and Jillian sing and dance to a choreographed number to showcase that Po isn't good at Kung Fu. He tries desperately to do the dance moves. He's awful. Shifu is disgusted with Po.)

PO  How did I do?

SHIFU  There is now a level zero.

SENSEI JILLIAN  Zero (holding out hand in a zero)
(Shifu & Jillian walk off stage shaking their heads)

(The Five walk over to locker room bench and are doing cool down stretches in locker room and talking together. As the others are talking very animatedly, Po has moved to the side stage just in view, the Furious 5 don’t realize he is still in the room, hearing everything.)

PRAYING MANTIS There are no words. We will need intensive prayer!

CRANE No denying that.

VIPER I don't understand what Master Oogway was thinking. The poor guy's just gonna get himself hurt.

CRANE (mocking) Ha ha. The Dragon Warrior fell into the way of Oogway's staff.

MANTIS When he walks, the very ground shakes!

MONKEY And when he walks backwards, you hear a beep, beep, beep.

VIPER … back it up back it up back it up.. (moon walking backward…)

TIGRESS One would think that Master Oogway would choose someone who actually knew Kung Fu.

CRANE Yeah, or could at least touch his toes.

MONKEY Or even see his toes.

(Po from the side stage just in view, attempts to look at his toes but just sees gut. He lifts up his stomach, leans forward.. leans.. leans.. and falls over. The Monkey, crane, mantis and viper all staring at him in disbelief!)

TIGRESS (talking to Po) You're a disgrace to Kung Fu, and if you have any respect for who we are and what we do, you will be gone by morning.

CRANE And you better be glad that Tai Lung can’t escape from that prison.
(They turn their backs on Po, who slumps sadly and exits stage left. Curtain closes Tai Lung & the Lobos Brothers run across the stage with the Rhinos chasing them. Ying and Yang follow after them.)
Scene 11

“You Must Believe”

JADE PALACE COURTYARD - Curtain is closed. Princess Pei enters stage right. Po is sitting dejected below the tree.

PEI Hey Po, how was your first day of being the Dragon Warrior?

PO Horrible. Completely UN-legendary! This Kung Fu stuff is harder than I thought, and I know the Furious 5 hate me.

(Uncle Si enters.)

UNCLE SI Hey little princess, you need to get back to the palace. Pei, your parents have me looking all over for you!

PO Uncle Si, Pei doesn’t like being the Princess. She just wants to hang out here with her friends and be a normal kid. Can’t you do something?

UNCLE SI Nope, she’s a Princess, and you're the Dragon Warrior. That’s a fact Jack.

PEI I know, we are both destined to be something special.

UNCLE SI Funny ain’t it? Yep, we all gotta follow God’s plan even when we don’t think we can. Duck Dynasty’s countin’ on ya’ll kids! Come on Pei let’s get our rears in gear little lady.

(Uncle Si and Pei exit. Po sits down and starts gorging on peaches under the peach tree. Curtain opens. A dejected Po sits under a peach tree in the moonlight. Oogway approaches very slowly like an old sick turtle.)

OOGWAY I see you have found the Sacred Peach Tree of Heavenly Wisdom.
((Po spins around with his mouth full.) Is that what this is? I am so sorry. I thought it was just a regular ole peach tree.

OOGWAY I understand. You eat when you are upset.

PO Upset? I'm not upset. What makes you think I'm upset?

OOGWAY So why are you upset?

PO I probably stunk more today than anyone in the history of Kung Fu, in the history of Duck Dynasty, in the history of stinking.

OOGWAY Probably.

PO And the Five... man, you should have seen them, they totally hate me.

OOGWAY Totally.

PO How's Shifu ever going to turn me into the Dragon Warrior? I mean, I'm not like The Five. I've got no claws, no wings, no venom. Even Mantis has those... (he imitates a mantis' front legs) ...thingies. Maybe I should just quit and go back to making noodles.

OOGWAY Quit, don't quit. Noodles, don't noodles. (Po looks confused.)

OOGWAY (CONT'D) You are too concerned with what was and what will be. There is a saying: Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift. That is why it is called the present.

PO Ok, I guess. But I'm really sore. I can barely walk much less reach the highest level in Kung Fu.

OOGWAY Go see Mantis. He will help you and your soreness. Patience PO Patience.

PO (Po exits stage. Leaving Oogway under the peach tree.)
**Speaking to the audience.**

*Geese fly in flapping their wings. Shifu hears the commotion and enters stage.*

SHIFU  What is making all that flapping sound, quiet down!

**(BOOM. Ying & Yang drop in and stand at attention.**

SHIFU *(CONT'D)*  Oh, Ying and Yang. Of course..

YING  Masters Oogway and Shifu?

OOGWAY  Hmmm?

YING  *(out of breath)* I have- it's- it's very bad news.

YANG  Yes, bad, bad news.

OOGWAY  Ah, my friends. There is just news. There is no good news or bad news. Just news.

YING  Tai Lung and his gang have broken out of prison!

YANG  They are on their way to Peace Valley!

SHIFU  Master, your vision...your vision was right.

OOGWAY  That is bad news...

**(He turns to face Shifu and stares at him, eyebrow raised.**

OOGWAY  ...If you do not believe that the Dragon Warrior can stop him.

SHIFU  The panda? Master, that panda is not the Dragon Warrior. He wasn't even meant to be here - it was an accident!

OOGWAY  There are no accidents, only providence.

SHIFU  Yes, I know. You've said that already. Twice.

OOGWAY  Well, that was no accident either.

SHIFU  Thrice.

OOGWAY  My old friend, the panda will never fulfill his
destiny, nor you yours, until you let go of the illusion of control.

SHIFU Illusion?

OOGWAY Yeah. Look at this tree, Shifu. I cannot make it blossom when it suits me, nor make it bear fruit before its time.

SHIFU But there are things we can control.

(Shifu kicks the tree and a peach falls to his feet.)

SHIFU I can control when the fruit will fall.

(A peach falls on his head and Oogway chuckles.)

SHIFU That is no illusion, Master.

OOGWAY (bending down to pick up peach, places it in a pot left by Po he found under tree) Ah, yes. But no matter what you do, that seed will grow to be a peach tree. You may wish for an apple, or an orange... but you will get a peach. (flower grows out of cup and opens -like they open at hallmark)

SHIFU But a peach cannot defeat Tai Lung!

OOGWAY Maybe it can. If you are willing to guide it, to nurture it. To believe in it.


OOGWAY No, you just need to believe. Promise me, Shifu. Promise me you will believe. (he hands the plant to Shifu to take care of)

SHIFU I... I will try.

(Oogway smiles, then glances up at the sky, then back down to Shifu.)

OOGWAY Good. My time has come. You must continue your journey without me.

(He hands his staff to a confused Shifu.)

SHIFU What... what ... are you..?
Oogway backs away. Moving toward stage right

SHIFU      Master, you can't leave me! What will I do without your wisdom?

OOGWAY     You must believe.

SHIFU      Master!

(Shifu runs after him. Oogway is gone.)
PALACE TRAINING ROOM - Po is sitting on a stool in front of Mantis who is performing acupuncture. Viper and Crane are assisting holding up charts and handing Mantis needles. Monkey is moving around, stretching, practicing his kicking & punching, he can’t sit still, but he is listening to the conversation.

PO       Aaaoo...whoohoo...EEEee...hee- hee... I thought you said acupuncture would make me feel better.

(Mantis pops up from behind Po using his stick hands to identify pressure points and Po jumps uncomfortably again.)

MANTIS      Trust me, it will. It's just not easy finding the right nerve points under all this-

VIPER      Flab?

MANTIS      Fur, I was gonna say fur.

PO      Yea I know.

MANTIS      Who am I to judge a warrior based on his size? I mean - look at me.

PO      I know Master Shifu's trying to inspire me and all, but if I didn't know any better, I'd say he was trying to get rid of me.

(Po chuckles. The others look at each other and chuckle awkwardly.)

MONKEY      I know he can seem kind of heartless. But, ya know, he wasn't always like that.

VIPER      According to legend, there was once a time when Massssster Shhhhfuu actually used to ssssssssmile.

(Tigress enters stage right quietly, not interacting with the others.)

MANTIS      But that was before..
PO Before what?

TIGRESS Before Tai Lung.

PO Guys, guys I know about Tai Lung. He was a student of Shifu’s, the first ever to master the thousand scrolls of Kung Fu and then he turned bad and now he’s in jail.

(Tigress shakes her head at the panda’s ignorance.)

TIGRESS He wasn’t just a student. Shifu loved him more than anyone else. Shifu found him as a cub. And he raised him as a son.

CRANE And when Tai Lung showed talent in Kung Fu, Shifu trained him. Shifu believed in him and told Tai Lung he was destined for greatness.

MONKEY Tai Lung wanted the Dragon Scroll more than anything. But Oogway saw darkness in his heart and refused to give it to him.

MANTIS Tai Lung has the skills of the Dragon Warrior but not the heart.

VIPER Outraged, Tai Lung laid wasssssssstee to the valley. He tried to take the ssssssssscroll by forccccccce.

TIGRESS Even Shifu couldn’t control Tai Lung as he tried to steal the Dragon Scroll.

CRANE It was only Oogway himself who used the Wuxi Finger Hold to stop Tai Lung!

MONKEY This secret Kung Fu move is capable of creating maximum damage with just the minimum amount of effort.

PO Wow! Oogway is amazing. I can’t wait to get to know him better.

(Po is mesmerized by the story. Mantis takes one more needle out.)

TIGRESS But now Shifu has the chance to make things
right. He has the chance to train the true Dragon Warrior. But he's stuck with you. A big fat panda who treats it like a joke.

PO AAAA0000EEEE! (making a disturbing face towards Tigress, with his paws up, looking aggressive.)

TIGRESS You better not be making that face at me!

MANTIS Wait! My fault! I hit a nerve. (Removing needles.)

MONKEY I know what will wake him. (He waves food in front of Po's nose.)

(Po leaps up and heads to the kitchen and puts on an apron.)

PO (changing the subject from Tigress' insult) Hey who's hungry? After all that training, I whipped up some noodle soup for us.

(Monkey, Mantis, Crane and Viper walk over to kitchen taking a bowl full of noodle soup prepared by Po to the table and sit down)

PO Hope you like it.

MANTIS This is really good.

PO (bashful) No, c'mon. You should try my Dad's famous noodle soup. His secret ingredient makes his soup incredible.

VIPER What are you talking about? This is amazzzzzing.

CRANE Wow, you're a really good cook.

MANTIS I wish my mouth were bigger.

(The others laugh. But not Tigress. She walks over to the table.)

MONKEY Tigress, you gotta try this.

TIGRESS It is said that the Dragon Warrior can survive for months at a time on nothing but the dew of a single gingko leaf and the energy of the universe.
PO I guess my body doesn't know it's the Dragon Warrior yet. I'm gonna need a lot more than dew and universe juice. (Po laughs. He picks up his bowl and takes a giant gulp. When he lowers the bowl, we see a noodle hanging from his face - it looks like a moustache. Mantis snickers.) What?

MANTIS Oh, nothing... Master Shifu!

(The rest start laughing. Po realizes he's wearing a noodle moustache. He plays it up.)

PO (imitating Shifu) You will never be the Dragon Warrior, unless you lose five hundred pounds and brush your teeth! (The Four LAUGH. Tigress refusing to laugh, she does not find this amusing. Po continues imitating Shifu)

PO What is that noise you're making? Laughter? I never heard of it! (The Four keep LAUGHING. Po reaches over and grabs two empty bowls and holds them up like ears. Imitating Shifu) Work hard, Panda. And maybe, someday...you will have ears like mine.

(As the rest of the Five laugh, Tigress sneaks a moment to smell Po's soup. Leaning towards the bowl, she suddenly looks up and stops. The Five also look up and stop laughing. Reveal Shifu has entered behind Po. He is holding Oogway's staff.)

MONKEY It's Shifu.

PO Of course it's Shifu. I do great impressions. (He finally notices Shifu standing there, doing a slow burn. Embarrassed.) Ooh! Master Shifu!

(Po hides the noodle moustache in his hand. Monkey can't help but snicker.)

SHIFU You think this is funny? Tai Lung has escaped from prison and you're acting like children!

PO/FIVE (in unison) What?

SHIFU He is coming for the Dragon Scroll, and YOU are the only one who can stop him. (pointing at Po)

MONKEY What? You're serious? Po? Master Oogway
will stop him! He did it before, he'll do it again.

SHIFU      Oogway cannot, not anymore. Oooway is
gone. (holding up the staff)

(They notice Shifu holding Oogway’s staff and knowing what this means are all saddened by the
news.)

SHIFU      Our only hope is the Dragon Warrior.

TIGRESS    The panda?

SHIFU      Yes, the panda!

TIGRESS    Master, please. Let us stop Tai Lung. This is
what you’ve trained us for.

SHIFU      No! It is not your destiny to defeat Tai Lung. It
is his.

(Shifu, shaking his head, takes forlorn Po with him off stage presumably to talk about
how they can defeat Tai Lung. The 5 are left in the bunkhouse.)

TIGRESS    I’ve trained for this my entire life. I’m going
after Tai Lung. I can protect the Dynasty.

VIPER      Tigress!

TIGRESS    Don’t try and stop me!

VIPER      We’re not trying to ssssstop you!

TIGRESS    What?

CRANE      We’re coming with you!

MANTIS     Tai Lung is toast!

MONKEY     We are the furious five!

Curtain closes.

Tai Lung and the Rhinos run by/chase during scene change for 3rd time. Ninja Turtle
with microphones, mini satellite dish and large shoulder camera enter stage.

NINJA TURTLE MICH    (catching up to Tai Lung) Hey, Tai Lung! Can we
get a minute with you?
TAI LUNG  
(growls and waves them off)  I don’t have time for games; I need to find the Dragon Warrior!!

NINJA TURTLE LEO  Kind of a grumpy fellow, wouldn’t you say?

NINJA TURTLE DON  Definately

NINJA TURTLE RALPH  Hey here comes Tai Lung’s gang…. What about them?

NINJA TURTLE LEO  Hey Lobos Brothers: Have any words for Peace Valley?

WOLF COAL  Yeah, heh heh, tell Peace Valley it is no longer “Peaceful.”

WOLF ACE  Haha. Good one. Tai Lung is coming and he wants his Dragon Scroll….

NINJA TURTLE RALPH  You heard it. You won’t want to miss this Epic battle as Tai Lung tries to steal the Dragon Scroll.

NINJA TURTLE LEO  The Dragon Warrior Po was just announced and already the dynasty is under seize.

RHINOS  Look!… there they are!… let’s go!… Hurry!..
Scene 13

Hard Work Pays Off

COURTYARD - Curtain opens to outdoor scene. It is morning time. Po has climbed to the top of the peach tree and has rested on top of the tree. He finds a nest that is full of cookies hidden in the tree. Po starts eating them. Not realizing, he sits in the tree in perfect splits while he is eating all the almond cookies. (Po has fake legs enabling him). The PPuff girls walk in setting up a picnic lunch, Morimoto and Granny walks in with the noodle cart ready to sell noodles. Sensei Jillian and Shifu walk on to stage and notice Po.

SHIFU      Po! Look at you.
PO      Nom, Nom, Nom. Yeah, I know. I disgust you.
SHIFU      No no, I mean...
SENSEI JILLIAN.  How did you get up there?
PO      Nom, Nom, Nom. I don't know. I guess I- I don't know. I smelled something yummy! My belly lead me to these (holding up a bag of cookies) I was just getting a cookie...

(He looks at the cookie and then can't help but eat it.)

SHIFU      And yet you are ten feet off the ground and have done a perfect split.
PPUFF BUTTERCUP   Master Shifu, you should have seen him.
PPUFF BUBBLES   It was amazing! He was flipping over the branches!
PPUFF BLOSSOM   Po is way more flexible than even our notorious yoga teacher.
PPUFF BUTTERCUP   Po, can you do a scorpion pose? You’re moves are insane.
IRON CHEF MORIMOTO   I never knew Po could move like that.
PO  No, no this...this is just an accident

SHIFU  (to the audience) I was told by a wise turtle; there are no accidents.

(Po comes down steps hollering like he is falling and rolls in front of Jillian and Shifu.)

SHIFU (CONT'D)  (Directly to Po, forcefully) Do you want to learn Kung Fu?

PO  Yeah...But how am I supposed to beat Tai Lung?

SHIFU  You will beat him because you are the Dragon Warrior!

PO  You don't believe that! You never believed that!

SHIFU  Yes. But now I ask you to trust in your Kung Fu master as I have come to trust in mine.

PO  You're not my Kung Fu master. And I'm not the Dragon Warrior. I thought if anyone could change me, could make me...not me, it was you.

CROWD (together)  The greatest Kung Fu teacher in all of Duck Dynasty.

SHIFU  But I can change you! I can turn you into the Dragon Warrior! And I will!

PO  C'mon, Tai Lung is on his way here right now. And even if it takes him a hundred years to get here, how are you gonna change this... (indicate belly) ...into the Dragon Warrior?

SHIFU (forcefully)  DO YOU WANT TO LEARN Kung Fu?

PO  (flexing and nodding his head) Yeah!!! Yeah!!!

SHIFU  Then I am your master!

PO  Bring it on!
SENSEI JILLIAN      Po, when you focus on Kung Fu, when you concentrate...you stink.

SHIFU      Perhaps that is my fault. I cannot train you the way I have trained the Five. I now see that the way to get through to you is with this!

(Shifu walks to the noodle cart, takes an item and places it in front of Po.)

PO      Oh great, let's grab a bite before we start training, 'cause I am hunnnn-gry.

SHIFU      Good. When you have been trained, you may eat. (Shifu takes food back from Po) Let us begin.

(Crowd enters: Bunnies, pigs and Pei dressed in workout gear and headbands. During the workout Pei wipes Po's brow and gives him water bottle etc I WANT CANDY background music.)

SENSEI JILLIAN      Girls can you help me a minute. Hold this.

(Po does sit ups to Powerpuff Girls holding a box of Blue Chip cookies that he's trying to reach in.)

PPUFF BUTTERCUP      1, 2, 3 Faster!

PPUFF BUBBLES      You can do it Po!

PPUFF BLOSSOM      I know you love these Blue Chip cookies! So work it!

(Pei wipes Po's brow and gives him water.)

SENSEI JILLIAN      Bunnies, your turn!

(Bunnies put cups of popcorn on Po's feet for toe touches.)

FIFI BUNNY      Here Po, I saw this one on Vine.

MIMI BUNNY      I saw that one too, I re-vined it to you,

CICI BUNNY      Right! #training

FIFI BUNNY      #Dragon Warrior

MIMI BUNNY      #incredible

(Po is getting a more energized, bring it on attitude.)
SENSEI JILLIAN  Karate Pigs let’s see your moves!

(Pigs do hacky sack with food. Po joins in. Next Pigs hold up breaking styrofoam boards. Po does karate kicks and punches breaking the boards.)

KARATE PINKIE  Dragon Warrior, Welcome to our Dojo.

KARATE PIG-UCHI WAZA  Show us your waza, your skills!

KARATE PIG-UKE WAZA  Come at me, bro!

(Crowd background dancing and Shifu meditating/praying under tree. Through it all, Po never gets to eat, although he does indeed learn Kung Fu. Music ends. Shifu walks over to Po and hands the bowl of food to Po.)

SHIFU  I vowed to train you...and you have been trained. You are free to eat.

PO  (realizing Shifu believes in him now responds) I’m not hungry...master.

(Master and pupil bow to each other. Curtain closes. Narrators enter outside closed curtain.)
sCENE 14

New Scene: CONFRONT THE IMPOSSIBLE

LING LING  Meanwhile, Tai Lung continues to converge on Peace Valley followed closely by his side kicks, the Lobos brothers.

BO LING  The Rhino Guards are still trailing but they are no match for Tai Lung’s speed and skills. They can’t catch him.

RO LING  The Furious 5 are in hot pursuit from the Palace to head off Tai Lung and save the Dynasty. I hope they are able to. Aren’t you?

LING LING  Look here! The Furious 5 are encountering Tai Lung on the Infinite Bridge to Peace Valley. This bridge is 1000 miles long.

(Curtain opens. Reveals dark stage. Spot light on Tigress and the others running on stage.)

TIGRESS  (breathing heavy) I see him.

MANTIS  (out of breath) Tai Lung’s here?

CRANE  Yes, Tai Lung is crossing the Infinite Bridge into Peace Valley.

MONKEY  If he makes it across, we are doomed.

(Spotlight on Tai Lung)

TIGRESS  I will go first. I have trained my whole life for this.

(Tigress and Tai Lung meet mid stage, in middle of bridge, and exchange words)

TAI LUNG  (Not afraid of Tigress and a relaxed tone) Where is the Dragon Warrior?
TIGRESS (standing in an aggressive stance) How do you know you’re not looking at her?

TAI LUNG I know you are not, none of your are. I heard how he is larger than life and is a warrior unlike anything the world has ever seen.

MONKEY Po?

TAI LUNG Po. So that is his name. Finally a worthy opponent. Our battle will be legendary.

TIGRESS (Growling) You will have to get through us first. (She lunges toward Tai Lung)

(Battle between them continues. The Lobos brothers come on stage, but they don’t interfere. They like being bad guys without all the fighting)

WOLF ACE That’s the way!

WOLF ACE Get her boss!!

(Tigress throws Tai Lung, off bridge. Everyone thinks the Furious 5 won)

(MONKEY, MANTIS, CRANE are hi-fiving and celebrating)

VIPER Wait, listen…..

TIGRESS (Turns back to look) What???

TAI LUNG (appears behind the Furious 5) Shifu, taught you well. But he didn’t teach you everything.

(Tai Lung defeats the 5 with a nerve attack, different than Wuxi finger hold), very quick, no counter response from furious 5. They are frozen)

WOLF ACE That’s right! The best was saved for the best!

WOLF COAL Tai Lung is legendary! He is a WARRIOR!!!

TAI LUNG (Growls at the Lobos brothers) Now boys, let’s not celebrate TOO early. We are not at the Palace, yet!

(Tai Lung and Lobos run off stage. The Rhinos enter and run down the bridge.)

COMMANDER KAMAE This way boys. They should be just up here.
(Stopping on bridge top, looking with hand on forehead)

VICE COMMANDER ZUKI   Is that the Furious 5?
RHINO SILVERADO       What’s left of them.
RHINO DAKOTA          Looks like they need help.

(The Rhinos help the furious 5 off the stage. Curtain closes)

(Ninja Sportscasters enter stage right onto the apron, Tai Lung and Coal and Ace follow)

LEONARDO    Did you see that! What a fight! What do you have to say Tai Lung?

TAI LUNG    I’m the best there is, you want results, I’ll give you results! I am the dragon warrior!

COAL        That’s right, he said it all!

DONNATELLA  Whoa! That’s a lot of confidence.

MICHEALANGLO Well, he had some crazy moves against the Furious Five.

RAPHAEL    My bet is on Tai Lung to beat that Panda, Po, What do you think? (to audience) Signing off.

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BO LING It's unbelievable. After the final training session, Master Shifu now believes that Po is worthy to receive the coveted Dragon Scroll. (GONG)

LING LING Behold … (motion to the bronze statues spotlighted) the great Hall of Heroes where Po discovers lessons of the past...

(Shifu and Po walk into the palace Po has an easy spring in his step. Following behind them are Pei, Jillian, & The 10-10 Rickshaw Elephants enter as well.)

SHIFU You have done well, Panda.

PO Done well? Done well? I've done AWESOME!

(He swings his belly around and knocks Shifu off balance. Shifu staggers back, regaining his dignity.)

SHIFU The mark of a true hero is….humility!

SENSEI JILLIAN But yes… you have done awesome.

PEI (encouragingly) Bodaciously awesome..

PO Wow - the Sacred Hall of Heroes - all those warriors who used Kung Fu for good. (Reaching for an artifact) Master Thundering Rhino’s staff...

GUARD-BEBO THE OX Don’t touch that! The Great Master Thundering Rhino used that staff to liberate the Village People.

PO As in Y, M, C, A Village People.

BEBO THE OX No you fool, the people of the village. Rhino used the staff as a symbol of confidence. It was given to him by his father, Flying Rhino.

PO WOW….(Po reaches for another artifact)
PEI: I wouldn’t touch that either.

BEBO THE OX: Yes, yes that is the Helmet of the Invincible Thunder Kick. It gives its owner the ability to deliver a thunder-induced kick. It was last worn by Master Storming Ox, my grandfather.

PO: No way, Did you see him use it?

BEBO THE OX: (laughing) Use it? No no. He didn’t have to use it. By mastering Kung Fu, he learned to use his brain not his braun.

PO: Looky here, Master Croc’s cape!

PEI: Does it have any magical powers?

PO: No, it just made him “look really, really good looking”!! (voice like zoolander.)

BEBO THE OX: Actually, Master Croc wore the cape to remind himself to be honorable, to respect himself and others.

SHIFU: Enough sightseeing, let’s get to the Dragon Scroll.

RICK SHAW: Good idea, because Tai Lung is on his way to the palace.

SENSEI JILLIAN: Where did you hear this?

NICK SHAW: It is funny what you learn driving a taxi.

MICK SHAW: See, this old turtle said….

TRICK SHAW: (interrupting other elephant) Yeah, that’s right. He said after Tai Lung defeats the Furious Five, he would come back to claim the dragon scroll.

RICK SHAW: And probably look for his “worthy opponent” and get his “legendary battle.”

SHIFU: Oogway told you that?
SENSEI JILLIAN Why would Tai Lung send the Furious Five back here after defeating them?

SHIFU So they could come back here and strike fear into our hearts. But it won't work!

PO Uh, it might, I mean, a little. I'm pretty scared.

PEI Oh Po, you can do it. I snuck out of the palace again. You have to protect me and all of Peace Valley.

SHIFU Yes. You can defeat him, Panda.

PO Are you kidding? If they can't, .... they are five masters. I'm just one me.

SHIFU But you will have the one thing that no one else does. (motioning to the dragon scroll)

PO You really believe I'm ready?

SHIFU You are, Master Po.

(They look at each other. Then they look at the Dragon Scroll and back at each other. They walk over to the scroll Shifu reaches up in an attempt to get the scroll with Oogways staff. Looks around again and says:)

SHIFU Do you think I can get some help around here?

(Everyone present in the scene attempt to get the scroll down; jumping up and down and Jillian swinging at it with the body bar. The scroll falls.)

SHIFU Behold. The Dragon Scroll... It is yours.

PEI Wait, what happens when he reads it?

SENSEI JILLIAN No one knows, but legend says you will be able to hear a butterfly's wing-beat.

NICK SHAW Whoa! Really? That's cool.

MICK SHAW Yes. And see light in the deepest cave. You feel the universe in motion around you. (acts dizzy)
Wow! Can he punch through walls? Do a quadruple back flip? Will he have invisibility?

Focus. Focus.

Huh? Oh, yeah... yeah.

Read it, Po, and fulfill your destiny. Read it and become... the Dragon Warrior.

Come on baby. Come on now... Princess sighs and holds out her hand. Po passes her the tube. Pei pops the end off effortlessly and passes it back to Po. Thank you. I probably loosened it up for you though...Okay, here it goes! AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA!

It's blank! (Pause) Here! Look!

No! It is forbidden. No one but the Dragon Warrior can see the scroll.

But Shifu can't help himself. He takes a peek. Then he grabs it from Po he turns it around, then upside down. He closes it and opens it again, astonished.

Blank? I don't ... I don't understand.

Shifu turns away, contemplative. What can this mean?

Okay. So like, Oogway was just a crazy old turtle after all?

No. Oogway was wiser than us all.

Oh, come on! Face it. He picked me by accident. Of course I'm not the Dragon Warrior. Who am I kidding?

But who will stop Tai Lung?
NICK SHAW He'll destroy everything … and everyone.

PEI We must evacuate Duck Dynasty and protect the villagers from Tai Lung’s rage. I will go tell my parents.

PALACE FOX SLY Hello Princess Pei, are you looking for your parents?

PEI Why, yes. Yes, I am.

PALACE FOX TY Well they are looking for you!

PALACE FOX SLY (horns announcing royal message) Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

CROWD What does the fox say? (with song in background??)

PALACE FOXES Ding, Ding, Ding Da Ding Da Ding Ding.

GUARD BEBO THE OX What? What did the fox say?

PALACE FOXES Ding, Ding, Ding Da Ding Da Ding Ding.

PALACE FOX TY Announcing Emperor Phil, Empress Kay, and Princess Pei

Villagers enter from side stage to hear announcement

EMPEROR PHIL Tai Lung has escaped from prison and now threatens the Dynasty. For everyone’s safety, I decree an evacuation of Peace Valley.

UNCLE SI All ya’ll critters gotta get outta here. We’re all fixin to go to Loosianna! I hear it’s darn nice over yonder.

EMPRESS KAY (glances over and sees Pei) Pei, there you are. Where have you been? (Pei crosses to talk to her mom and dad. They embrace)

PRINCESS PEI I’ve been here in the village with Po, the Dragon Warrior, helping our people. Dad, Mom …. I want to stay and help protect the Dynasty.
EMPRESS KAY        Your Father and I are very proud of you, you are a real princess. (Pei and Empress hug.)

PO                I’m happy for you Pei; I need to find my parents too before this “legendary battle” with Tai Lung.

PRINCESS PEI            Sure Po. I will help you find them.

(They split up and begin helping the villagers evacuate. Scary, evacuation music is playing. Villagers exit to the back of the gym a few of them are sitting with the audience on the floor.)
Scene 16

Discover Your Inner Awesomeness

JADE PALACE - Everyone has left the room except Po & Pei. Mr & Mrs Pong enter the room along with Iron Chef. They sigh with relief on finally finding Po.

MRS PONG Oh Po, I’m so glad we’ve finally found you. We’ve been looking for you. Everyone is leaving. I can’t believe you are the Dragon Warrior.

MR PONG Po, forget Kung Fu. Come with us. Your destiny still awaits at the Noodle Shop. We are noodle folk - broth runs deep through our veins.

PO Dad, I’m confused. I thought I maybe could be the Dragon Warrior and now, now that I’ve seen the Dragon Scroll. I am absolutely NOT the Dragon Warrior.

MRS PONG. (Speaking to Mr Pong) It is time. We need to tell him.

PO Tell me what?

GRANNY PONG You should have told him a long time ago.

MR PONG We need to tell you the secret ingredient of our family secret ingredient soup.

PO Really, Dad? Now?

MR PONG. Yes Po, it is vitally important that I tell you NOW!

MRS PONG Po, the Secret Ingredient is…

MR PONG (drum roll) nothing.
PO

Nothing?

IRON CHEF MORIMOTO

Nothing? You’ve got to be kidding me? (Po is shaking his head.)

(Ignoring Iron Chef, Po’s Dad says:)

MR PONG

To make something special, Po, you have to believe that you can. Believe in yourself ... then work as hard as you can ... and you will succeed.

MRS PONG

The excellence is inside yourself Po. There is “nothing” else.

(Po looks again at his reflection in the scroll and mutters to himself; then an “aha” moment and he says:)

PO

Nothing! Nothing? (with more conviction)

Nothing but ME!

(Po’s parents smile in agreement, give Po their blessings by hugging him and exit the stage w/noodle cart. Pei takes the scroll from Po and turns it to show him his own reflection.)

PRINCESS PEI

Po, look in the scroll and see what I see. You are so much more than you think you are.

PO

You’re right, Pei. We can do this! Let’s go help evacuate the Valley.

(Po and Pei exit stage. Stage dark. Spot light on Shifu walking across stage, Tai Lung and his buddies charge in with a vengeance, coming down main aisle. Shifu sees Tai Lung and waits for him. The Lobos bros stay off to stage side, not wanting to interfere with Tai Lung)

TAI LUNG

(Walking up to Shifu) Hello Master, I have come home.

SHIFU

Tai Lung, this is no longer your home, and I am no longer your master.

TAI LUNG

Yes, yes. I heard you have a new favorite. Where is this Po? Did I scare him off? (turning to audience and growling)

SHIFU

Your battle is with me, not Po.
TAI LUNG You knew I was to be the Dragon Warrior but when Oogway said otherwise, you did nothing.

SHIFU You were not meant to be the Dragon Warrior. It was not my decision.

TAI LUNG (Seeing Oogway’s staff, knowing Oogway is dead) Yes, it was! Oogway denied me my destiny. But, he is no longer an issue. (grabbing staff and holding it up) It is your decision now, (pointing the staff at Shifu) Give me the scroll.

SHIFU I can’t Tai Lung. Oogway was right. It is my fault. I misled you to care only about the Dragon Scroll. I….I….I am sorry.

TAI LUNG It is too late for apologies. (Shouting) Where is the Dragon Scroll? (Tai Lung swipes his claw at Shifu and knocks Shifu to the ground)

(Po and Pei enter)

PO Tai Lung!

PEI Shifu… (running over to Shifu to administer to him, Shifu remains on floor, too weak to get up. Pei takes care of him. His head is in her lap.)

TAI LUNG RRRRRRAAAAAAAAAAAAAARRRRRRRRRRR (Seeing Po) Wait. Who are you?

PRINCESS PEI Buddy, he’s the Dragon Warrior.

TAI LUNG You?

WOLF COAL Him?

WOLF ACE He's a big fat panda

TAI LUNG The mighty Po, is a flabby panda? What are you gonna do, big guy? Sit on me?

COAL/ACE. Yeah, sit on him! Ha! Ha!

PO Don't tempt me. No. I'm gonna use this. You
want it? Come and get it.

(Po shows him the Dragon Scroll. From out of nowhere, Tai Lung dances across the stage and grabs the scroll from Po’s hands.)

TAI LUNG

Finally! That scroll is mine!

(Po, Pei and Tai Lung and his boys dance around the stage to a big song. Taking turns grabbing the scroll at times. Tai Lung in the end is impressed with Po’s moves. As Pei and Po grab the scroll again.)

TAI LUNG

The scroll has given him power.

COAL

But no match for you, Tai Lung!

ACE

That scroll is yours

(One more dance/fight across the stage and Tai Lung ends up with the scroll in his hands.)

TAI LUNG

(out of breath) Finally... oh yes... the power of the Dragon Scroll... is mine!

(Tai Lung opens the scroll. His face falls.)

TAI LUNG (CONT’D)

It's NOTHING!

COAL & ACE

Nothing?!

(Po stirs.)

PO

It's okay. I didn't get it the first time either.

TAI LUNG

(disbelief) What?

PO

There is no secret ingredient. It's just you. Kung Fu isn’t just about fighting ... Kung Fu is about learning the secrets of excellence. ...it’s about finding the excellence that hides inside you.

(Tai Lung snarls and lunges at Po.)

TAI LUNG

RRRAAAH! (Tai Lung attacks Po’s nerve points. But Po begins giggling.)

PO

AAAAGGGHH! Stop! Stop it! I'm gonna pee! Don’t! Don’t!
(Confused Tai Lung lets Po go.)

TAI LUNG (heavy breathing, pointing at Po) You... can't defeat me. You're just a big, flabby panda!

(SCHWING! Po grabs Tai Lung's finger. Tai Lung's eyes go wide.)

PO I'm not a big, flabby panda. I'm THE big, flabby panda.

(Po's pinky pops up. Tai Lung and the Lobos brothers gasps.)

TAI LUNG The Wuxi Finger Hold!
COAL Shifu's finger hold?
PO Oh, you know this hold?
TAI LUNG You're bluffing. You're bluffing! Shifu didn't teach you that.
PO Nope. I figured it out. (He flexes his pinky...) Skadoosh! KA-THOOM!

(Tai Lung falls to the floor of the stage and the two Lobos bros carry him off. The Wu sisters sneak out from behind the peach tree and go up to Tai Lung and pet him. Gong sounds Po and Pei are on stage and the Villagers emerge from hiding.)

SHIFU (Walking up, Pei helps him up. He bows to Po) Indeed! It is as OOGWAY foretold. You are the Dragon Warrior. You have brought peace to Duck Dynasty and you have brought peace to me. Thank you Master.

TIGRESS (Follows behind Shifu) Master Po (Bow ing)

MONKEY, VIPER, CRANE and MANTIS (Bow ing together) Master Po

PO Kung Fu Master? Thanks guys

(Ninja Turtles come on stage, carrying microphones, mini satellite dish and large camera, talking to each other)

NINJA T. LEO Caught that on camera!

NINJA T. RAPHAEL That's a wrap

(Karate Pigs appear from hiding, totally pumped up and amazed, karate chopping and talking to each other)
(Po’s Parents and Granny emerge, walking up to Po)

PO'S DAD That big, lovely Kung Fu warrior is our son!
PO’S MOM. That's my baby boy
GRANNY PONG I knew you would discover your inner awesomeness!

(The bunnies enter stage, full of energy, taking photos on phone)

FIFI BUNNY This post is sure to go viral! #Epic
MIMI BUNNY # Legendary #Bodacious
CICI BUNNY #Kung Fu master #dragonwarrior
FIFIBUNNY #peacefulpeacevalley

(Royal family comes on stage)

PRINCESS PEI (seeing her parents, they hug and walk over to Po)
He's our hero. (Gives Po a big hug)

EMPEROR Yes, our Dragon Warrior saved our Dynasty.

EMpress Thank you, Po

UNCLE SI Master of Kung Fu. That's a fact jack. (knuckle bumps Po)

(Elephants enter stage, jock like, high fiving, belly bouncing

(Rhinos enter)

GRANDMASTER GOAT (To Shifu) Congratulations my old friend. You are a beloved teacher.

SHIFU Thank you.

GRANDMASTER EAGLE Our greatest glory is not in never failing, but in getting up every time we do.

G.M GORILLA (helping his friend Eagle to his feet) Nice work, my friend! May dignity and tranquility last forever
in your heart

MONKEY Po, will you teach us some of your tricks?
(Furious Five all join them.)

VIPER Yeah Po, your mind is fasssst as lighting.

MANTIS & CRANE In fact it's little bit frightning.

TIGRESS And you fought with expert timing.

PO Ohhh ya. (Big stage twirl into karate chop.) 'Cuz
EVERYBODY is

TOTAL CAST Kung Fu Fighting!

(The whole cast joins in singing and dancing. THE END)