CURTAIN OPENS: The Princess is centerstage, laying on a high twin bed. The Prince enters stage right and walks behind the bed so he is facing the audience.

Prince: Wow! She's a hottie!

The Prince kisses Sleeping Beauty. The Princess' eyes flutter. Then she slowly sits up and looks around.

Princess: I am Princess Beauty. Who are you? And how did you get into my room?

Prince: I am Prince Daring, a handsome and heroic prince. I fought past the forest

of thorns, slayed the dragon, and woke you up from your 100-year slumber

The Princess looks the Prince up and down. She then speaks with a lot of attitude.

Princess: Yeah, right! Can I see some identification?

Prince: Identification?

Princess: Yes—a license to carry a concealed sword. A permit to wear armor,

and a portrait ID.

Prince: I have never heard of such nonsense!

Princess: Well, what do you expect? You certainly are kind of grungy-looking for a

Prince! And such stories—giant thorn bushes, dragons, sleeping for a hundred years. I have heard guys use some great lines to get a date, but

yours are too much! Guards!

Prince: No, seriously. Someone put an evil spell on you, and everyone

else in the castle. You all slept for 100 years. Then thorns grew over the

castle, and a dragon moved in. I killed him. The place was a mess.

That's how I got so dirty.

Princess: Uh...huh... Wait a minute—how did you wake me up?

Prince: I <u>kissed</u> you!

Princess speaks angrily.

Princess: You what?

The Prince speaks nervously.

Prince: I...uh...kissed you. Just a little kiss, of course, since we had not been

formally introduced.

The Princess slaps the Prince across the face. The Prince grabs his cheek and looks shocked.

Prince: Why did you do that?

Princess: How <u>dare</u> you kiss me without my permission?

Prince: But you were asleep...for a hundred years! You know...<u>Sleeping</u>

Beauty! How could I ask you??

The Captain of the Guards enters stage right, followed by the other

guards. All of them are moving slowly and yawning, looking disheveled.

Captain: You called for us, your majesty?

Princess: Captain, have you or your men been sleeping lately?

The guards stop yawning and jump to attention.

Captain: Certainly not! Who is spreading such a terrible rumor?

Princess: Is there a forest of thorns outside?

Captain: Thorns, your majesty?

Princess: Yes, and are there any dead dragon bodies lying around in the courtyard?

Prince: Well, they're gone now! The thorns melted, and the dragon disappeared

when I killed him!

Princess: Oh, please! Captain, arrest this man.

The Captain points his sword at the Prince.

Captain: I command you to yield to my sword!

The Prince grabs the Captain's wrist and takes his sword.

Prince: You mean this sword?

Captain: Why...uh... yes. Men—seize him!

The Prince throws the Captain's sword out the window. The guards, two at a time, approach the Prince and start sword fighting with him. The Prince uses a

combination of his sword and karate to defeat each set of two guards.