

Scene I

Benny Beagle: *(speaking directly to the audience)*
Welcome to Doggie Town,
Where cats stay clear and dogs get down!
We'll introduce ourselves to you.
I'm Benny the Beagle through and through.

Connie Irish Setter: *(with an Irish accent)*
Ay' me mateys, if you are a better,
Bet on me, I'm an Irish Setter.

Patty Pointer: *(pointing all over the place)*
Look there! Look there! Look here at me!
Patty Pointer, can't you see?

Bailey Basset Hound: Look down here, close to the ground.
Bailey here, a Basset Hound.

Terry Terrier: We've got boxers and huskies
And oodles of poodles,
Shepherds and Greyhounds
As skinny as noodles.

Chi Chi Chihuahua: Some of us are tiny

Alfie Afghan: Some are very tall!

Bernie Saint Bernard: But one thing for sure,

Rodney Rottweiler: You're gonna love us all!

Polly Pomeranian: Hey everybody, I have big news.
If you don't listen up, you snooze, you lose!
Someone left a message on the garden wall.
I tried to get it down, but I'm just too small.

Patty Pointer: *(pointing)*
It's over there! It's over there,
Hanging on the wall, high up in the air.

Rex Retriever: I'll get it! *(runs to get a poster that is hung on the wall)*

Polly Pomeranian: That's Rex.

All: *(to the audience)*
He's a retriever.

(Rex runs back with the rolled up poster in his mouth.)

Poodle-aycious: Give it up, Rex, you'll soak it with drool.
I can read it; I've been to training school.

(Rex drops the poster at Poodle-aycious' feet)

Bernie Saint Bernard: I'll hold it for you, with no complaint.

Poodle-aycious: Thank you, Bernard. You are a Saint.

(Bernard holds the poster open so Poodle-aycious can read it.)

All: What does it say?

Poodle-aycious: *(reading to herself and then reacting very excitedly)*
Oh!!!

All: What?

Poodle-aycious: *(even more excited)*
OH!!!

All: What?!

Poodle-aycious: *(the most excited)*
OH!!!

All: What does it say?!

Poodle-aycious: It says...the judges of the world famous Wurstchester Dog Show are coming to Doggie Town. It says they are looking for new talent to star in their show at Madison Square Garden in New York City!!

Benny Beagle: Wurstchester Dog Show!

Alfie Afghan: New York City!!!

Scene 5

Rover: Thanks, Chi Chi, and all of you.
I feel a whole lot better.

Poodle-aycious: There's a message from the judges,
And they sent it in a letter.

Rex Retriever: I'll get it! I'll get it!

All: He's a retriever.

(The retriever gets it and brings it to Poodle-aycious who reads it.)

Poodle-aycious: The judges say they're interested
In a very special trick.
Whoever does the finest trick,
Will be their final pick.

Rex Retriever: Bow-wow! I think I've got it made,
'Cause I can fetch most anything.

Tara Terrier: I can roll over and shake and beg,
And sometimes even sing.

Benny Beagle: I think they want something different
From any one of you.

Alfie Afghan: They don't want the same old tricks.
They're looking for something new.

(All of the dogs start barking out the tricks they can do. They even act some of them out such as "Roll over!" "Beg." "Lie down.")

Chi Chi Chihuahua: Wait! Stop! Quiet down. Stay!
(commanding) Sit!! All of you!

(All the dogs quickly sit down.)

Bailey Basset Hound: Hey, Rover, don't you have a favorite trick?
That only you can do?

Poodle-aycious: Well, I've never heard anything quite like that.
If he doesn't win, I'm an old tomcat!

All: *(with disgust)* Ewwwww!

Shar Pei: Another letter has arrived from the judges!
It's a little wet and covered with smudges.

Patty Pointer: *(pointing)* It's over there!

(Nobody moves)

Patty Pointer: *(to Rex the Retriever)* It's over there!! *(pointing)*

(Still no one moves.)

All: *(to Rex)* Fetch!!!

Rex Retriever: *(He suddenly realizes that this is his job.)* I'll get it!

(He fetches it, and Poodle-aycious reads it.)

Poodle-aycious: It says:
The contest is about to start.
We're looking for dogs with very big hearts.
And if you know literature when you begin,
You'll be the dog that is certain to win!

Rex Retriever: It sounds to me like Rover
Is the guaranteed winner!

Benny Beagle: This contest is over!
Let's go have some dinner!

Chi Chi Chihuahua: Biscuits for everyone!

Bernie Saint Bernard: And a keg of root beer!

Rodney Rottweiler: And for our friend Rover,
Let's all give a cheer!
Hip Hip!