

# VIOLET & MRS. BEAUREGARDE

(PHINEOUS TROUT)

And what is your name, young lady?

*(VIOLET steps forward, loudly chewing gum into an old-fashioned D microphone. Her MOTHER is dressed exactly as she is.)*

VIOLET

Violet. Violet Beauregarde.

MRS. BEAUREGARDE

Violet, quit chewing your gum so loudly. It's not ladylike. Not ladylike. Remember what your therapist said about acting out—

VIOLET

Ah, can it, Ma! You flap your jaws even more'n I do!

MRS. BEAUREGARDE

Now, Violet. I do not appreciate that sort of language. Watch your words. Ask me nicely.

VIOLET

No prob.

*(sweetly)*

Hey, Ma? Would you please...

*(suddenly angry)*

CAN IT! I'm being interviewed here.

PHINEOUS TROUT

Now, tell us, Violet, how did you find your Golden Ticket?

VIOLET

Normally, I'm a gumchewer. In fact, I adore gum. Love it, love it, love it! I chew gum all day long, except when I'm eating, then I take the gum out of my mouth and put it behind my ear like this.

MRS. BEAUREGARDE

Isn't that clever? She's so clever! She thought of that herself!

VIOLET

Ma, cool it! And when I sleep, I put the gum on my headboard, so in the morning all I have to do is pop it back into my mouth and start chewing again!

MRS. BEAUREGARDE

*(proudly)*

She thought of that, too! So clever!

VIOLET

Sometimes it's a little hard to get started, and one time it got in my hair, Ma cut it out and I went right on chewing it. It was a hairy moment, though -- ha, ha, ha!

**MRS. BEAUREGARDE**

Oh, isn't she just HILARIOUS!

**PHINEOUS TROUT**

*(stone-faced)*

Very witty, Violet. Now tell us about your Golden Ticket?

**VIOLET**

OK, keep your pants on, Phineous, I'm getting to it! So like I said, I'm a gum-chewer normally, but when I heard about Wonka's contest, I laid off the gum and switched straight on to candy bars. That's how I found my ticket! Now, of course, I'm right back on the gum. In fact, I've been working on this piece for over three months solid. I've beaten the record set by my best friend, Cornelia Prinzmetel. Hi, Cornelia...listen to this...

*(SHE chews loudly into the microphone.)*

That's the sound of you losing! Listen some more...

*(SHE chews even more loudly adding, smacks and pops.)*

Chew on THAT, Princess Prinzmetel!