

## NICK AND LETIZIA AUDITION PIECE

NICK sits on a bench studying a  
planetarium leaflet whilst LETIZIA finishes  
a phone call a couple of metres away.

LETIZIA

My mother... she tries to find Barnsley on the map!

NICK

Barnsley's yet to make it onto the map, Teesha.

He takes a breath.

Sorry about my fucked-up family.

LETIZIA

Everybody has fucked-up family. It is the law. Me, at home, I have a very fucked-up family. My parents argue all the time and I think they will divorce.

NICK

God, I'm sorry.

LETIZIA

(leaning wearily on his shoulder)

It's just life. I don't know why, but I've pooped.

NICK smiles.

NICK

I've pretty pooped myself.

Music starts up as they stargaze, content in  
each other's company.

Isn't it mad to think that around 275 million stars are born every day?

LETIZIA

And that we are all stardust.

NICK

Every atom of oxygen in our lungs...

LETIZIA

Every atom of carbon in our muscles...

NICK

Of calcium in our bones...

LETIZIA

Of iron in our blood...

NICK

It was all created inside a star before Earth was born...

A beat.

You know I'm really going to miss you when you go back to Italy.

LETIZIA

I'll miss you too.

And to NICK's surprise, LETIZIA kisses him.