

**FORREST ROSE PRODUCTIONS**  
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**IDLE JACK AUDITION**

**JACK:** Hello boys and girls, My names Jack, but everybody call's me Idle Jack. Now I don't think that's very fair actually, I'm not lazy! I just like a sit down and a sleep, and just generally not doing very much if I'm honest. I struggle to stay focused on things you see, but that's no need to call me names. I technically think my name should be attention deficit disorder Jack but that's a bit of a mouthful... One for the grown-ups that.

I'm the shop assistant here at Alderman Fitzwarren's shop. It's quite boring really but I get to top up my sleeping hours so I can't complain. I stick around mostly because of the Alderman's daughter Alice! She's so pretty! Sometimes, when she's in the shop stacking the shelves, I just stand here and stare... not in a creepy way... She never really gives me a second thought though, she's way out of my league. Still, you never know, stranger things have happened. Afterall, it's unlikely that someone is going to walk in off the street and steal her heart any time soon is it?

Enter ALICE

**ALICE:** Good Morning Jack

Good morning, Miss Fitzwarren, you look lovely today... not that you don't look lovely every day... I mean your quite... you look... you're very... I'm just going to stop now because I'm making a fool of myself aren't I, and it's really unlike me to make a fool of myself isn't it... am I still talking? I am, I can tell. I can feel my mouth moving... I'm just digging a hole now, I'm going to put my spade down and walk away. It's not a real spade, it's just a pretend one, just exists in my mind. Weird thing to keep in my mind, it's quite dirty... (pause) OH! No, the spade, not my mind... (he giggles awkwardly) Anyway, what were you saying?