

## AUDITION SCENE

(UGLY:)

I'M JUST DIFFERENT  
 BUT I HAVE A SENSE OF PRIDE  
 MY LOOKS MAY WELL BE FUNNY  
 BUT I HURT THE SAME INSIDE  
 DIFFERENT ISN'T SPITEFUL  
 DIFFERENT ISN'T WRONG  
 SO WHY IS IT SO HARD TO GET ALONG?  
 I ONLY WANT TO GET ALONG

UGLY / CAT

*The DUCKLINGS run in and taunt UGLY - as if pretending they are going to play with him. Then they run away laughing at him.*

DIFFERENT ISN'T HATEFUL  
 DIFFERENT COULD BE SWELL ...  
 DIFFERENT IS JUST ...  
 WELL ...  
 DIFFERENT

*At the end of the song the CAT appears and sidles up next to UGLY.*

**BEGIN**  
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CAT: Hello, Ducky!

UGLY: Who are you?

CAT: I'm your friend.

UGLY: I haven't got any friends. Everyone hates me because I'm ugly.

CAT: Oh they are too, too, too-too cruel. I think you look delicious.

UGLY: What did you say?

CAT: I said poultry can be so malicious. Look at them guzzling all that bread.

UGLY: It's supposed to be really nice, it's French.

Music No. 6A FRENCH TING!  
(Instrumental)

CAT: Mmm. À l'orange. Do you mean to say that they didn't let you have any?

UGLY: Not a crumb.

CAT: Well that settles it then. Lunch is in . . . on me.

UGLY: Do you mean it? You really are a friend

CAT: Of course I am. Now, just follow me.

UGLY: I'd better tell my mother.

CAT: Oh no, you mustn't. Look, she is talking to Her Grace. Don't you know a duckling should never interrupt anyone who is talking to Her Grace.

UGLY: I really think I should.

**END.**

*The CAT hides as the rest of the FAMILY, together with GRACE, MAUREEN, HENRIETTA and TURKEY re-enter, victoriously wielding various baked goods.*

IDA: What a feast!

GRACE: A little on the stale side, but one mustn't grumble.

UGLY: Mama?

IDA: Yes? Excuse me, Your Grace. Beaky, don't stand on Downy's foot - she keeps going round in circles.

UGLY: Mama? I've been invited . . .

IDA: Just a moment, sweetheart. Billy! Not such big mouthfuls, and soak it in water first or you'll choke.

UGLY: Would it be all right if I . . .