

Young Marion, Young Joe and Young Nellie audition piece.

Part 1

YOUNG MARION: She's moving house.

YOUNG JOE: You're not meant to tell everyone, Marion.
That's what a secret means.

MOTHER KELLY: When are you leaving?

YOUNG NELLIE: Tonight. Dad says we have to wait until after
dark and NOT TO TELL ANYONE because we'll get
into trouble.

MOTHER KELLY: Oh. Well, your secret's safe with me.

YOUNG JOE: Shame Marion can't say the same.

YOUNG MARION: Shame Joe has been crying about it all day.

MOTHER KELLY: Hush your bickering now. Don't you worry,
Nell. I done the same when I weren't much
older than you are now.

Part 2

MOTHER KELLY: You'd better get on; otherwise, you'll get
home and find they've already moved.

YOUNG NELLIE: But I want to stay here.

MOTHER KELLY: After a couple of weeks in the new place it'll
start feeling the same anyway. You'll have
your family with you. There'll probably be a
pub on the corner, just like here. The same
lamp lights and evening chorus of mothers
calling their children home.

YOUNG NELLIE: But there won't be this doorstep. There won't
be you, or Marion, or Joe.

YOUNG JOE: You can always come visit.

YOUNG NELLIE: Dad says we mustn't show our faces around
here.

YOUNG JOE: Then I'll visit you.

YOUNG NELLIE: I can't give you an address or nothing.

YOUNG JOE: Well, I'm not saying goodbye, that way you'll have to stay.

Part 3

YOUNG JOE: Dad! You're gonna miss breakfast. Mam said you slept outside again... Dad?

YOUNG MARION: Where is he?

YOUNG JOE: Dad! Dad! He has to be here.

MOTHER KELLY: What are you yelling about?

YOUNG MARION: Dad's gone.