

THEN ONE OF THE HOOPS FALLS ONTO THE PATH
(SOUND: SEE RESEARCH MATERIALS)

START >>>

005 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

Oh no, I dropped the hoop! You win again, Philippine!

006 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

You're definitely getting better, Josephine.

007 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

One day I'll beat you!

008 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

Of course you will. Oh, I'm exhausted - let's take a rest.

009 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

This grass along the path looks inviting.

010 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

It does indeed.

BOTH GIRLS FLOP DOWN ON THE GRASS LINING THE PATH

011 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

I wish I could play games as well as you do, Philippine.

012 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

I wish I had smooth skin like yours.

013 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

You have a beautiful face!

014 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

I did, once. Until I was two and got small pox. Look at these scars.

015 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

They're not so bad.

016 YOUNG PHILIPPINE

You're my best friend, Josephine - and the kindest person I know. But these scars will never go away.

017 **YOUNG JOSEPHINE**

Who cares, anyway?

018 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
I do.

019 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
Well don't.

020 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
Maybe God wanted to keep me humble.
Maman says I still have too much
pride.

A GATE OPENS AND PIERRE DUCHESNE ENTERS, HIS
CANE TAPPING AGAINST THE BRICKS AS HE APPROACHES

021 YOUNG PHILIPPINE (CONT'D)
Hello, Papa!

022 PIERRE
(distracted, gruffly)
Hello, girls. Just lying around in
the grass today, are you?

023 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
We were playing hoops.

024 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
Philippine always wins, Uncle
Pierre. She's very good.

025 PIERRE
Excellent, Philippine. But you
should let Josephine win
occasionally. Is your mother home?

026 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
Yes, Papa. She's upstairs.

027 PIERRE
Is your father home yet, Josephine?

028 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
No, Uncle Pierre.

029 PIERRE
When you see him, tell him I'd like
to speak with him.

030 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
I will.

031 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
Is something wrong, Papa?

032 PIERRE
Something is always wrong in
Parliament, Philippine.

AND HE STRIDES OFF

033 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
Your father doesn't look happy.

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034 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
He's been like this for a few
weeks.

035 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
My father has been acting
strangely, too. I wonder why?

036 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
It's King Louis.

037 YOUNG JOSEPHINE
What do you mean?

038 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
Papa says people don't like him.
There could be an uprising against
him. A bloody uprising.

TRANSITION MUSIC

6 INT. THE DUCHESNE PARLOR - DAY

PHILIPPINE AND JOSEPHINE ARE HAVING TEA WITH
THEIR MOTHERS, EUPHROSINE, PHILIPPINE'S MOTHER,
AND HER SISTER, CHARLOTTE. THE CLINK OF TEA
CUPS, TEA BEING POURED, COOKIES BEING PASSED ON
A TRAY AND PUT ONTO PLATES

039 CHARLOTTE
What a lovely tea party - two
mothers and their two beautiful
daughters. Aren't we lucky to have
our houses right next to one
another!

040 YOUNG PHILIPPINE
Yes, we are, Aunt Charlotte. Aren't
we, Maman?

041 EUPHROSINE
Indeed we are, Philippine.
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