

LAUSE -

(Before he can finish the line, he's interrupted by SPONGEBOB, SANDY, and PATRICK barreling in. It's the second time he's been interrupted while trying to sing.)

SPONGEBOB

Hey Squidward, good news. We're going to save Bikini Bottom!

(PLANKTON comes in now, having just heard this. KAREN follows.)

PLANKTON

What're you talking about?! Explain yourself, rhombus slacks.

SPONGEBOB

Sandy's going to build an ingenious bubble device to stop the volcano.

SQUIDWARD

Did you say an ingenious bubble device to stop the volcano?

SPONGEBOB

Yes, an ingenious bubble device to stop the volcano.

THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL**SANDY**

I'll work on a better name.

SPONGEBOB

And all we have to do is climb to the top of Mount Humongous and drop it in!

SQUIDWARD

(He starts laughing, takes him a moment to stop himself.)
You're kidding, right? Nobody's ever made it to the top alive.

SPONGEBOB

When you say nobody, do you mean that as a figure of speech, or...?

SQUIDWARD

I mean nobody ever, period, full stop, exclamation point.

(SPONGEBOB gulps in fear. Very loudly. SQUIDWARD exits.)

PATRICK

Don't worry, buddy, we can do this. I'll be with you the whole way, no matter what.

[MUSIC NO. 08C "PLANKTON LOVES KAREN"]

(The Team of Tres freezes as we zoom in on PLANKTON and KAREN. PLANKTON is concerned.)

PLANKTON

That sponge is the biggest threat to my plot. If somehow they *do* manage to climb that mountain...

KAREN

We have to make sure they don't live long enough to reach the top.

PLANKTON

I like how you're thinking, Karen. And you know...you just said "*we*."

KAREN

(Realizing herself.)
I guess I did.

PLANKTON

I'm so glad you want to scheme with me again. It's just like the old days.

THE SPONGEBOB MUSICAL

KAREN

I guess it took a little apocalypse to spice things up.

PLANKTON

It's going to be fun to finish these fools forever.

KAREN

I love it when you alliterate.

(They exit together.)

(SPONGEBOB, SANDY, and PATRICK unfreeze.)

SANDY

We've got this, boys. Come tomorrow, we'll be on that mountain like a smoked sausage on a hickory grill.
