# "HOW COWBOY ERNIE FINDS HIS YODEL" PRIMARY SCRIPT, TECH AND ACTIONS

#### **OVERTURE**:

MELODIES FROM "HAPPINESS IS LIKE THE WIND" AND "A HAPPY YODELIN' HOEDOWN

## SCENE 1-ECHO CANYON:

> ERNIE ENTERS STAGE RIGHT

DIALOG 1-WELCOME AND THEME INTRO

ERNIE PERFORMES "A HAPPY YODELIN' HOEDOWN"

VERSE 1
VERSE 2
YODEL BREAKDOWN
VAMP-INTRO "GOOD HORSE SENSE"
VERSE 3-DUET WITH "GOOD HORSE SENSE"
VERSE 4
SONG END

ECHO CANYON CALL AND RESPONSE ACTION

ERNIE YODEL 2X HORSE 1X

AUDIENCE 1X (HELLO)

HORSE 1X (OVERDONE...ECHO BACK "THAT'S

**ENOUGH)** 

- > SONG REPRISE / END
- > FINAL YODEL
- > HERD AND COW FX'S. GOOD HORSE SENSE LOOKS AT WATCH (THEN SUN)

DIALOG 2-CREATE IMPRESSION OF BEING LATE TO GET BACK TO THE RANCH

- ERNIE GRABS REIGNS AND BOTH EXIT STAGE LEFT-BREIF CAMEO OF THREE CRITTERS FROM BEHIND THEIR HIDING PLACE AS THEY RUSH OFF
- > YODEL FINAL RESPONSE-1<sup>ST</sup> TIME REGULAR, 2<sup>ND</sup> TIME ENDS AS QUESTION
- BUMPER MUSIC TO RANCH SCENE. ALSO SERVES AS INTRO TO NEXT SONG

### **SCENE 2-BUNK HOUSE:**

- WINDOW SCENE-SHUTTING WINDOW STOPS COW NOISE-ENDS TRANSITION FROM SCENE 1 CHANGE
- SONG 2 (NAME YET TO BE DETERMINED) SONG PERFORMED BY GOOD HORSE SENSE AND TALKS ABOUT HOME.
- > DISCOVER YODEL IS LOST (SITUATION CREATION)

DIALOG 3-DECISION TO GO ON QUEST TO FIND LOST YODEL. ALSO CREATE PURPOSE OF YODEL. HAPPINESS, COMPANIONSHIP AND SETTLES THE COWS

> SCENE CHANGE BUMPER MUSIC. COULD BE STATEMENT OF YODEL SONG WITHOUT THE YODEL. SOME SORT OF TRAVEL STYLE MUSIC

# SCENE 3A-PRAIRE (DAYTIME)

MEET CHARACTERS DURING TRAVEL: (ALL CRITTER MUSIC FEATURES SINGING AND DANCING OF CRITTER

RABBIT-HAS HIS HOP, TRIES TO GIVE IT TO ERNIE. DOES RABBIT DANCE AND SINGS 1<sup>ST</sup> VERSE AND CHORUS OF CRITTER SONG. GOOFY STYLE MUSIC BED

DIALOG 4

COYOTE-CHASES RABBIT TO ENTER SCENE. RABBIT EXITS TO HIDING PLACE. COYOTE HAS HOWL, TRIES TO TEACH IT TO ERNIE. SINGS 2<sup>ND</sup> VERSE AND CHORUS OF CRITTER SONG. URBAN, COOL / RAP STYLE MUSIC BED. EXITS TO GO AND CHASE RABBIT

- > VAMP-FAREWELL AND FINAL STATEMENT OF HAPPINESS THEME
- > REPRISE WITH "HAPPY YODELIN' HOEDOWN"-FULL CAST
- > CHASER MUSIC FOR CHARACTERS INTO AUDIENCE
- > FADE AND END MUSIC