

Babes in the wood 2026 – Audtion piece

Pickle And you saw a monkey with a tin opener in this forest?

Pudding Yes, I said to him "You don't need a tin opener to a peel a banana"

Pickle What did he say?

Pudding He said, "No this is for the custard"!

Sheriff **(Seeing Pickle & Pudding)** I know just the couple I could ask! This dastardly duo! They'll do anything for money. I think they that they would even sell their own Grandmother!

Pickle **(Offended)** Heyyyyyy , we only sold her once! And she bought herself back!

Sheriff I have a job for you; I want you to take Sam and Millie as deep as you can into the forest and leave them there

Pudding And what do we get for our trouble?

Griselda **(Silky, venomous)** You get to stay exactly as you are... and not turned into toads, for a start.

Pickle **(Backing away, clutching Pudding)** Good! Staying as we are fine! Lovely! No toads needed! I don't even like ponds!

Pudding **(Groveling)** Thank you so much for not... toad-ifying us

Sheriff **(Rolling his eyes)** For goodness' sake, pull yourselves together! She hasn't turned you into anything... yet.

Griselda I am searching for desperate men. Men who will stop at nothing... men foolish enough to do my bidding

Pickle That's us

Sheriff Sadly... yes. That is them.

Griselda Evil... and devious men

Pudding That's definitely us

Griselda Men willing to face great dangers... men with no fear... men foolish enough to do exactly as I command

Pickle **(Pointing to Pudding)** That's him

Griselda For great reward

Pickle That's me

Griselda I thought it might be...Now you will take the two children into the forest... If you know what's good for you

Pudding Carrots

Griselda What?

Pudding Carrots are good for you

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Pickle And prunes, especially if you are having a problem with your

Griselda **(Interrupting)** Will you two be quiet, or I'll turn your tongues into tadpoles and keep them in a jar!

Pudding **(Scared)** Well, when you put it like that, how could we refuse. Right Pickle

Pickle **(Looking worried)** Yep - how could we?

Sheriff There we are then! A deal struck! Off you go. And try not to embarrass me any more than usual.

Griselda And have the children here by midnight and then I'll pay the Sheriff his monies **(Evil laugh)**

Pudding What shall we do next?

Pickle I'm sure the writer will think of something

Pudding Yes, he's a very clever person

Pickle So what's he written next?

Pudding **(Taking script from side of stage)** They exit stage left, quickly

Pudding What are we waiting for Pickle, let's go!

(Exit - Pickle and Pudding very quickly)