"Growing Up"

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Cast of Characters:

Cathleen	Kira Howlett
Richard	Noah Byrne
Young Madelyn	
Tween Madelyn	. Kristy Swyer
Teen/Adult Madelyn	. Caylie Hopkins
Young Brittany	Abby Warr
Tween Brittany	. Emily Peyton
Teen/Adult Brittany	Victoria Burden
Bus Driver	Whitney Pone
Mr. Ryan	. Matthew Cornect
Nick	
Tween Tyler	. Noah Cassell
Teen/Adult Tyler	Raine Hart
Heather	. Cody Butt
Abby	
Boy 1	. Ryan Alexander
Boy 2	
Mr. William	
Coach	. Hannah Mitchell
Cheerleaders	. Andrea Hillier, Johanna Taylor

School/Prom/Cafeteria Crowd: Kaileigh Wells, Mackenzie Dyson, Dionne Dyson, Stacey Budgell, Mackenzie Chaisson, Chloe Abbott, Rachel Holwell, Alysiah Barron, Samantha Guamond, Tianna Hynes, Sarah Humphries, Paige Langlois, Jennifer Jacque, McKenzie Pye, Kearley Menne, Morgan Janes

Kindergarten Students: Trinity Pollard, Ryan Alexander, Sarah Learning, Andrew Cabot, Audrey Langlois, Grace Crane, Tyler Riche

Tech Crew:

Tamara Anthony, Rachael Pike, Ashley Duder, Ashley Dingwell, Will Lawrence, Michaela Cabot, James Cabot, Jordan Brown, Mackenzie Holloway, Lacey LeGrow, Mackenzie Horwood, Nicole Kennedy, Jenna Turner

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Scene 1

At home in baby's room. Cathleen and Richard walk on stage.

Richard: Welcome to your new home. [Places baby in cradle]

Richard: What a beautiful baby girl.

Cathleen: What should we call her?

Richard: I know, Madelyn! No, Ally! No, Ryan! Wait I got it, Madelyn.

Cathleen: Sounds perfect.

Scene 2

Characters are behind a shadow screen. Parents standing to stage right watch baby Madelyn crawl towards them, wobbly walk on her knees and eventually on her feet She is now age 5.

Scene 3

At home, leaving for school.

Cathleen: Well it's your first day of school, are you excited? [Madelyn nods hesitantly]

Richard: You will love it.

Madelyn: I hope so [looking worried]

Cathleen: Oh, here comes the bus. Richard go get the tissues, I'm about to have a break

down.

Madelyn: Bye Mommy, bye Daddy.

Richard: Bye honey!

Cathleen: We love you, enjoy your first day [tearing up]

Madelyn gets on bus and drives off stage.

Richard: Can you believe how fast she has grown?

Parents exit stage. As Cathleen is wailing, Richard is comforting her.

Scene 4

At school.

Mr. Ryan: OK so who knows the alphabet?

Everyone raises hand except Madelyn.

Madelyn: [In a small, weak voice] I know a little bit.

Mr. Ryan: That's OK, everyone follow and sing along.

Kids sing ABC's. The bell rings.

Mr. Ryan: Time for lunch.

Kids eat, run and play around table.

Brittany: [to Madelyn] Ew!

Madelyn: What?

Brittany: You have a bologna sandwich! Everyone knows that turkey is way better! [To the class] Look everyone! She likes bologna! Not turkey! EW! [everyone laughs]

Lunch bell rings.

Mr. Ryan: OK class, pack up your lunch, it's craft time.

Scene 5

Madelyn stands behind shadow screen. Kindergarten to Grade 7, change lights allowing shadow to grow.

Scene 6

Middle school. Bell rings as people are walking in all different directions. Nick runs across stage in front of crowd.

Nick: [in changing voice] My voice is changing! [Stops halfway across stage] Why am I so itchy [lifts up arm to see hair], where did this come from?! Ah! [runs of stage screaming]

After Nick runs off stage, Madelyn, Abby and Heather walk on stage, Brittany in background. Tyler walks on and then off stage past them.

Madelyn: Don't you think Tyler is so cute?

Heather: You've got a crush on Tyler don't you?

Madelyn: [sort of embarrassed voice] No, I don't!

Abby: I don't blame you if you do, he is kinda cute.

Madelyn: I don't... I don't like...like Tyler [head down embarrassed]

Brittany: Ew! You like Tyler? He's SO gross!

Madelyn and friends walk off stage.

Brittany: [Dials number on phone] Madelyn likes Tyler, but she has no chance, Tyler is mine!

Brittany and rest of students exit stage.

Scene 7

At lunch, lunch bags with fake food. Madelyn and friends walk on stage and sit down. Nick walks in at table in background; students talk amongst one another. Two random guys find a banana at table.

Boy 1: Oh, a banana.

Boy 2: It's mine.

Boy 1: No, it's mine.

The Boys start fight over the banana. The banana slips out of their hands and hits Nick.

Nick: [screams] FOOD FIGHT!

Students, including Madelyn start throwing fake food. Mr. William walks on stage, puts hand on Madelyn's back looking angry.

Mr. William: What's going on in here?

Mr. William looks around and food fight stops.

Mr. William: [shouting] Madelyn, Nick, Tyler, Abby and Heather in my office right now!

Nick: What did I do?

Mr. William: I could hear you scream food fight from all the way down the hall! To the office now!

Students and principal walk off stage, while others whispering.

Scene 8

Students and Mr. William walk on stage. Students sit down in a seat.

Mr. William: I will be back in a second. Stay in your seats!

Everybody picks at something. Acting bored. Guys with feet on the desk. Madelyn head down, upset. Mr. William walks back on stage.

Mr. William: Now what happened in the cafeteria?

Nick: [laughing] You know it was pretty funny, some guys were fighting over a banana.

Madelyn: You're the one who started it

Nick: No I never –

Mr. William: I don't care who started it, you're all having one month detention.

Madelyn: [scared voice] But...

Mr. William: No ifs, ands or buts about it. Not another peep out of you. One month detention and it's final.

Students are upset and bickering at Mr. William.

Mr. William: Enough!

Students fold arms and slouch. Mr. William walks off stage.

Scene 9

Students sitting in detention chairs (behind shadow screen) growing up to high school students. Change light to make shadows grow.

Scene 10

Coaches and Cheerleaders on stage waiting for football players.

Coach: Alright, who is missing?

Abby: Just Tyler and Madelyn.

Brittany: [with attitude] Don't you find it funny that those two are always late? ... together.

Cheerleaders giggle, gasp and whisper at Brittany's comment. Madelyn and Tyler jog in, out of breath.

Madelyn: Sorry coach.

Brittany: Where have you two been?

Students in background whispering: 'Tyler and Madelyn sitting in a tree...' Madelyn shies away. Abby and Heather are giggling, but stop when Madelyn shows embarrassment.

Coach: Late once more you two, and there will be consequences. OK lets start with a warm up.

Students start stretching, Madelyn eavesdropping.

Brittany: [to Tyler]Do you have a date for prom yet?

Tyler: Well, I'm thinking of asking someone...

Brittany: Sure, I would love to!

Tyler: Uh, actually... Madelyn [turns to face her] I was wondering if you would maybe... Uh... like to... Go to prom with me?

Madelyn: [embarrassed] I would like that.

Coach: OK kids, onto the field!

All exit stage.

Scene 11

Stage set for prom, students dancing across stage. Madelyn and Tyler walk on stage, holding hands.

Tyler: I'm really glad I asked you to prom, Madelyn.

Madelyn: [shyly] Me too.

Brittany: [enters, and walks up to Tyler] Hey, Tyler, why are you dancing her when you could be dancing with me?

Madelyn: Not tonight Brittany, Tyler is my date for the prom.

Every student on stage freezes, music stops. Student 1 walks across stage holding '10 Years Later' panel. Student 2 walks across stage holding '10 Year High School Reunion' panel.

Brittany: Tyler, Madelyn! It's been so long, how are you guys? [with attitude] Tyler, I believe you owe me a dance.

Tyler looks at Madelyn.

Tyler: Do you mind?

Madelyn: Sure, I'll let you have a dance with my husband, but if I remember correctly, Brittany, you owe me a bologna sandwich.

Scene 12

At home, in baby's room. Madelyn and Tyler walk on stage.

Tyler: Welcome to your new home. [places baby in cradle]

Tyler: What a beautiful baby girl.

Madelyn: What should we call her?

Tyler: I know, Brittany! No Abby! No Heather! Wait I got it, Brittany.

Madelyn: [puzzled look] Are you sure?

The End.