SHEPHERDS SIDE

SHEPHERD 1 (Trey Gaines)

Hey, over here! We can sit down over here.

SHEPHERD 2 (DeAndre Gaines)

Boy, it sure is cold out. Do you think this is all right?

SHEPHERD 1

Of course, it's all right. What can happen?

SHEPHERD 2

I don't know.

SHEPHERD 1

We can still see them, can't we? And if they get lost, we can always follow the smell.

SHEPHERD 3 (Ke'Shawn Gaines)

I'm tired.

SHEPHERD 1

Well, sit down then.

(Shepherd 3 goes to make a place for himself to lie down. His back is to the other two.)

SHEPHERD 2

(Searching on himself and on the ground for something.) Hey, have you seen my muttons?

SHEPHERD 1

Your what?

SHEPHERD 2

My muttons—

SHEPHERD 1

I don’t know, ask him. Go on, don’t be sheepish.

SHEPHERD 2

Do you know where my muttons are?

SHEPHERD 3

Your what?

SHEPHERD 2

My muttons.

SHEPHERD 3

Muttons?

SHEPHERD 1

Ewe herd him.

SHEPHERD 3

Baaaa!

SHEPHERD 1

I bet he's just pulling the wool over your eyes. Go on, ask him again.

SHEPHERD 2

No. He might ram me over. I'll just sneak up behind him and fleece him.

(Shepherd 2 goes over, sneaks up on Shepherd 3 whose back is turned. While Shepherd 2 is sneaking, Shepherd 3 puts on a pair of mittens so the audience and Shepherd 2 can see.)

SHEPHERD 3

(Aside) I'm glad I found these mittens on the hillside this morning. Ah, that's better. Warm in the folds.

SHEPHERD 2

(He jumps off of a rock on stage onto him and starts to wrestle for his mittens.)

There they are!

SHEPHERD 3

Hey, lamb me go.

SHEPHERD 2

There they are!

SHEPHERD 3

There are what?

SHEPHERD 2

My muttons. Give me back my muttons.

SHEPHERD 3

Is that what you want? Why didn't you just say so? What do you think I am, a wolf in sheep's clothing?

SHEPHERD 1

Say, would you two be quiet, you're giving me insomnia.

SHEPHERD 3

Ever try counting sheep?

SHEPHERD 1

Very funny.

Bo-staff sequence. Shepherd 2 challenges Shepherd 3.

SHEPHERD 2

Lion attack!

(They joust. With 6 exchanges and body spins and horizontal strikes. In the end Shepherd 2, the youngest shepherd wins when Shepherd 3 trips over the rock.

SHEPHERD 2

Gotcha!

SHEPHERD 3

Lucky I was tired.

SHEPHERD 2

(Triumphant) Well, I guess the lion must lie down with the lambs. Boy, it sure is nice to stretch out again.

SHEPHERD 1

Yeah, good night.

SHEPHERD 3

(A little more pleasant after all) Pleasant dreams.

(All three snore and in unison roll a full rotation and fall asleep.)