

## ABD GRADE 1 MUSICAL THEATRE

### The Perfect Nanny from Mary Poppins Written by Richard Sherman and Robert Sherman

**Characters:** Brother and sister, Jane and Michael Banks are writing an advertisement for a new nanny to look after them, highlighting the traits they believe would be the perfect candidate rather than the strict nanny their father would prefer them to have. Mary Poppins is set in London in 1910 and the Banks' family are a well-to-do family. Song to be performed in a charming, well-spoken yet slightly cheeky style.

1. If you want this choice position  
Have a cherry disposition  
Rosy cheeks, No warts!  
Play games, all sorts
  
2. You must be kind, you must be witty  
Very sweet and fairly pretty.  
Take us on outings, give us treats  
Sing songs, bring sweets!
  
3. Never be cross or cruel  
Never give us castor oil, or gruel  
Love us as a son and daughter  
And never smell of barley water
  
4. If you don't scold or dominate us  
We will never give you cause to hate us  
We won't hide your spectacles so you can't see  
Put toads in your bed, or pepper in your tea!
  
5. Hurry nanny  
Many thanks, Sincerely  
Jane and Michael Banks.