

JIM AUDITION – THE RAILWAY CHILDREN 2018

Jim is a student at the Boys Grammar School close to the three chimneys house (home of the railway children and their Mother.) He was running a steeplechase (cross country run) with the school and he fell in the tunnel. The action below starts from that point. Accent should be RP.

Jim groans.

Phyllis

He isn't dead.

Jim:

(faintly)

Where am I?

Roberta:

What happened?

Jim:

Who are you?

Roberta:

I'm Bobbie. We're in the railways tunnel.

Jim:

Oh I remember.

John:

Wha'happened then?

Jim:

I think - I think I tripped over a wire.

John:

Can you stand?

Jim:

I'll try.

(He does but winces and groans)

Oh I think I've broken my leg.

Roberta:

Oh dear!

Jim:

It's a terrible pain.

John:

Well we're going to have to get you out of here
some way or other. We'll have to carry him.

Jim:
How?

John:
Well me and Bobbie are the biggest. Stand up if you can.

Jim:
I'll try.

Roberta:
Do be careful.

John:
Put your arm round me neck and the other round Bobbie's.

Jim does so but groans with pain.

Phyllis:
Oh I do hate to hear that.

Peter:
His leg won't fall off if it's broken, will it?

Roberta:
Peter!

Peter:
I was joking! Mummy says it is best to have a sense of humour even in...advesi..something.

John:
Let's see if you can walk. How's that?

Jim:
Not bad. It's jolly kind of you.
(He groans with pain again)

John:
Where we taking him to?

Roberta:
We'll take him home with us. Mother will know what to do. You lead the way Peter.

Jim:
(as they exit)
What are your names? My name is Jim.