**DIALOGUE**

**The Hypnotist:** Now, I need one volunteer from the audience… just one… come on, don’t be shy. Ah, yes, thank you, sir. Come this way. That’s right. What’s your name?

**Man:** Melvin Hopkins.

**Hypnotist:** Have you ever been hypnotized before, Melvin?

**Man:** No, I haven’t. Er… I won’t do anything silly, will I?

**Hypnotist:** Of course not. You won’t do anything unless you want to do it. You’ll feel very relaxed, but you won’t lose control. Is that clear?

**Man:** Yes.

**Hypnotist:** Now sit back… you’re feeling sleepy. Your eyelids are getting heavier and heavier. Now close your eyes. I want you to count up to ten with me**.** When we get to ten you’ll be fast asleep. One… you’re feeling tired… two… very tired… three… there’s tired… two… very tired… three… there’s nothing to worry about… four… very sleepy… five… six… so sleepy… seven… eight… nine…. Ten. Can you hear me, Melvin?

**Man:** Yes, I can hear you.

**Hypnotist:** Do you like singing, Melvin?

**Man:** Yes, I do.

**Hypnotist:** I want yo to sing us a song. Now, you don’t have to if you don’t want to. Would you like to sing?

**Man:** Yes. *‘ If you go away, I’ll be so blue. I’ll be so blue unless you come back and say I love you… If you…’*

**Hypnotist:** Thank you, Melvin. That was very good. Now I want you to remember when you were four years old. You’re four, Melvin. It’s your fourth birthday… Happy Birthday, Melvin. I want you to blow out the candles on your birthday cake. If you blow them all out, you’ll get a wish. Remember, you won’t get a wish unless you blow every one of them out. Blow, Melvin! Harder! There’s a good boy!

**Man:** Mummy! Mummy!

**Hypnotist:** I’m going to count to three, Melvin.

**Melvin:** I’m not three, I’m four…

**Hypnotist:** Yes, all right, Melvin. As soon as I get to three, you’ll be wide awake, Melvin. Do you remember anything?

**Melvin:** What do you mean? When are you going to start hypnotizing me?