

## **AUDITION MATERIALS** Performers are welcome to use any of the readings below. There are 9 readings choose 1.

**Notes for Actors:** These Characters are iconic. They are larger than their line count and number of lines sung. They tell the story with their voice and physical movement. Theatre is looking for strong characters, energetic character traits, character choices to help tell our story in a LIVELY way while remaining to be truthful in Comedy: Pod

“TRUTHFUL and HONEST. Keep it real. Make Joy – find and scatter it”. Tina Landau

### **Sandy:**

Well I've got news, hot off the griddle. I did some calculations...and that volcano is gonna erupt, as sure as a rhinestone cowboy at a disco rodeo. I figured out **when**, too. It's gonna happen at sundown - tomorrow. I'm serious as a guacamole shortage at a taco party. I determined the timeline through analysis of seismic activity, gas emissions, geomagnetic and gravimetric changes. Over the next thirty-six hours, tremors will increase and boulders will fall, eventually leading to a cataclysmic eruption which will completely destroy Bikini Bottom. The end is nigh.

### **SpongeBob:**

No, Mr. Krabs! I'll find a way to stop that volcano! WE'll use science, like Sandy said. We can use her jetpack to get to the top! Wait, pretty sure it's only build for one. I guess everyone was right. This will be the end....unless I can stop it. Gotta get my team together. I am not a Simple Sponge. We'll have to climb it, then. Patrick can help with that. He's super strong. Sandy's brains plus Patrick's brawn plus my ... I'm not sure what my thing is. But that won't stop me. When the going gets tough, this sponge gets going. I'm not a simple sponge! We won't have to leave Bikini Bottom after all. I'm putting together a team to save our town! I am not a simple Sponge. But I can't do this...I can't do this – Let not the sand of time seep into your shorts – for it shall chafe. Give me the Erupter. OK One , two, three !

## **Squidward:**

I for one, have my sights set beyond this place. I've been developing a one-man show starring an as = yet undiscovered young, handsome and very leggy...talent. I call it: Tentacle Spectacle, the Musical. I still remember that night, my third-great talent show, the other fish calling me Loser! Loser! To this day, when I hear that word, something in me just SNAPS! But you got me through it, Mama. You told me some day I'd play the Bikini Bottom Bandshell. Before time runs out, I will prove you right. I'm a pretty squid, Mama, and I'm going to show them what I've got!

## **Plankton:**

Oh yes, it is! What you said was true: it would take too long to hypnotize each of them into loving my chum burgers. But when fish are scared, they school together. If I get them all in one place, trapped where there's nowhere to run, I can hypnotize them in bulk! First, though, I need to shut down this squirrel. I have a new scheme, Karen, my best one yet. But for it to work, I need them to stay scared. ....Do any of you actually believe that science can save us? Oh come on – Next she'll tell us tidal warming is real. We only have until sundown tomorrow! I am going to need to tell them my plan Karen. I am going to need to do it in a song. Give me some music. I need something with mass appeal. Give me a beat, Karen, a HIP HOP Beat!

## **Patrick:**

Huh? Sorry. I found this great belly button scratcher while I was packing, and we've been having a reaaaaaaaly nice time together. Cause um ... sometimes my bellybutton itches. And then it doesn't. But you don't understand. I'm stuck inside and I can't watch any of my shows. Because all that's on TV is THIS! The innermachinations of my mind are an enigma ... I don't know what METAPHORICALLY MEANS! OUR team needs a name: PatBob. PatBobSpongeRick? Finally someone understand: the inner machinations of my mind!

## **Mayor of Bikini Bottom:**

We'll order the escape pod, cash on delivery. Expedited shipping by six p.m. next business day. Just in time to get us out before sundown tomorrow. And it only costs ....NEPTUNE's TRIDENT! There aren't enough clams in all Bikini Bottom to pay for this! Ladies and gentlefish, if this mountain erupts, orange rivers of steaming lava will obliterate all we know and love. But don't worry, your government has everything under control. I'm starting an initiative to assemble a committee to identify a strategy to evaluate the situation. In the meantime, all citizens must return home and remain indoors. The Threat Level is now CODE ORANGE.

## **Pearl:**

I can't decide what to wear for the Electric Skates. You don't understand me. Maybe it's because we're not the same species. Which is pretty weird now that I think about it. I just wanna find me someone who looks at me the way my Daddy looks at money! And I am going to meet the Electric Skates! And there is nothing he can do about it.

## **Karen:**

Don't worry Sheldon. I've got just the thing. I found it in the hall closet, tucked back with the cleaning supplies. The Avalance Maker 3000. It was under your Tsunami maker 200, across from your Tornado maker 5000 ...next to the mop.We can use it to start a landslide that they will never survive. Then Chumville, here we come!

## **Perch Perkins:**

With just one hour left on the Doomsday Clock, I'm coming to you live from the Bandshell. The benefit concert is about to begin. Our phone lines are open. It's up to you our viewers across the ocean. We need your donations to pay for the escape pod..so we can get out before the volcano blows us all to oblivion. And there, you can see them now...The citizens of Bikini Bottom, led by the Mayor through the streets of our beleaguered town on their way to the Bandshell. It is truly a historic exodus.