EVERY LAST BUGGIN' GANG
ON THE WHOLE BUGGIN' STREET!

DIESEL, ACTION

ON THE WHOLE!

ALL

EVER -!

MOTHER -!

LOVIN' -!

STREET!

(BLACKOUT)

END OF SCENE ONE

2A - Jet Song Chase

(Orchestra)

SCENE TWO



(A yard.

On a small ladder, a good-looking sandy-haired boy is painting a vertical sign that will say: DOC'S. Below, RIFF is haranguing)

RIFF

Riga tiga tum tum. Why not?... You can't say you won't, Tony boy, without saying why not?

TONY

(Grins)

Why not?

RIFF

Because it's me askin', Riff. Womb to tomb!

TONY

Sperm to worm!

(Surveying the sign)

You sure this looks like sky-writing?

RIFF

It's brilliant.

TONY

27 years the boss has had that drugstore. I want to surprise him with a new sign.

RIFF

(Shaking the ladder)

Tony, this is important!

TONY

Very important: Acemen, Rocket men.

RIFF

What's with you? Four and one-half years I live with a buddy and his family. Four and one-half years, I think I know a man's character. Buddy boy, I am a victim of disappointment in you.

TONY

End your suffering, little man. Why don't you pack up your gear and clear out?

RIFF

'Cause your ma's hot for me.

(TONY grabs his arm and twists it)

No! 'Cause I hate living with my buggin' uncle uncle UNCLE!

(TONY releases him and climbs back up)

TONY

Now go play nice with the Jets.

RIFF

The Jets are the greatest!

TONY

Were.

RIFF

Are. You found something better?

TONY

No. But -