

**'RETURN TO HOTEL CALIFORNIA'**  
**A Musical by Graham Morgan & Norman Jackson**  
**MASTER version 10/02/20**

**ACT 1 SONGS**

**Overture (BAND)**

**SONG 1 Identity (DUET)**

**SONG 2 Natural thing (DUET)**

**SONG 3 It happened suddenly (DUET)**

**SONG 4 If I could spend everyday with you (JOEY)**

**SONG 5 Security (CHARLIE)**

**SONG 6 Can of worms (JOEY)**

**SONG 7 Be careful what you wish for tonight (CHARLIE)**

**SONG 8 What have you done? (JOEY'S MUM & JOEY)**

**SONG 9 Will you take me as I am? (CHARLIE)**

**SONG 10 It's what lovers do (Wedding song) (DUET)**

**SONG 11 Sunday morning (BAND)**

**SONG 12 We don't see the world as others see it (DUET)**

**SONG 13 Climbing trees (DUET)**

## **SONG 1: IDENTITY (DUET)**

**J: I'm Joey from a well-off fam- ily  
Lots of advantages ...for a boy like me  
I guess that you could say I live in lu-x -ury**

**My future's in the bag  
I'm following my Dad  
Make lots of money  
An executive recruit**

**I'll drive the fastest cars  
Jet setting 'round the bars  
High flying city boy  
Who wears the sharpest suits**

**I'll make connections  
In the right places  
Be the boss of my own company**

**I want to be famous  
Just like a rock star  
Live my life with high ener..gy**

**C: I'm charlie from a working-class fam-ily  
Not much advantage.. for a girl like me  
We never ever mentioned Univers..ity**

**My future's not too sure  
An-office-girl but I want more  
Maybe I'll join the Open U ni ver si ty**

**I like the simple things  
Don't care for diamond rings  
Expensive clothes  
And other lux ur ies**

**I live a simple life  
With mum and dad no strife  
Together we all live in perfect har mon y**

**Don't to want to be famous  
Like a rock star  
Just want to live my life contented...ly**

## **INSTRUMENTAL**

**J: I go to school with boys who are just like me  
We are the best of our Academy  
Sure of a place at a univer sity**

**My future's in the bag  
I'm following my Dad  
Make lots of money  
An executive recruit**

**No need to hurry  
To find a girl to marry  
Lots of time to play  
With this I'm resolute**

**I'll find a rich girl  
Someone whose like me  
We'll settle down start our own fam...ily**

**We'll be famous  
Just like two rock stars  
We'll create our own identity**

**C: I work all day as a se cre tar y  
I type my bosses letters make his tea  
I only earn a modest salary**

**I'd like to find someone  
Who I can depend upon  
To share his life with me  
Give me security**

**We'll settle down soon  
And have our own home  
Have some kids and  
be a happy fam..ily**

**We'll have a good life  
Just like my mum and dad  
Live our life contented...ly**

**We won't be famous  
Like two rock stars  
We'll create our own ident..ity**

## **SONG 7: BE CAREFUL WHAT YOU WISH FOR TONIGHT (CHARLIE)**

**Be careful what you wish for tonight  
The North star is shining so bright  
Your wish might cure your anger and pain  
But you may regret the decision you make**

**So where do we go to from here?  
You seem confused and I'm far from clear  
You don't have to marry me I won't mind  
I can do this by myself don't want to be unkind**

**So where do we go to from here?  
You know that I'm kind and sincere  
I know you're afraid of telling your mum  
She thinks that I've trapped you and I'm just not the one**

***Don't try and think you can fight it  
It's just an emotion we protect in ourselves  
Don't try and think you can hide it  
We all live a lie that sometimes needs to be told  
Something is taken when the light starts to fade  
Take control of your senses  
It's a game to be played  
No hesitating as you open the door  
It's fate that awaits you  
The decision is yours***

***Instrumental***

**Where do we go to from here?  
Its thoughts in your mind that I fear  
Its easy for you to just walk away  
Have no fear I'll not make you stay**

**So where do we go to from here?  
The time to decide is near  
Do you want to spend the rest of your life with me?  
Or will you find someone else to love and marry**

**Be careful what you wish for tonight  
The North star is shining so bright  
Your wish might cure your anger and pain  
But you may regret the decision you make**

***Don't try and think you can fight it  
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***Last words are spoken by Charlie  
Joey - you need to make your wish, but don't tell me, tell your mum***

## **SONG 9 WILL YOU TAKE ME AS I AM? (CHARLIE)**

**Its early evening  
And a storm is brewing  
But I don't feel it  
It don't seem right**

**I'm caught in headlights  
I know they must be bright  
I don't see it  
It just don't feel right**

***And if you tell me that I always seem to wander  
Just never get the point or always take much longer  
The joke may be on me but I hide undercover  
My world may be a place that no one else discovers***

**If you can .... Then take me as I am  
'Cos there's no master plan  
I may ....Be vague I can't deny  
But surely worth a try**

### **INSTRUMENTAL**

**It's after midnight  
Wedding bells are ringing loud  
But I don't hear it  
It don't seem right**

**My senses heightened  
But can't tell how I feel  
I don't see it  
It just don't feel right**

***And if you tell me that I always seem to wander  
Just never get the point or always take much longer  
The joke may be on me but I'm under the covers  
My world may be a place that no one else discovers***

If you can .... Then take me as I am  
'Cos there's no master plan  
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## **INSTRUMENTAL**

The sun is rising  
and the bacon's cooking  
But I don't smell it  
It don't seem right

My senses numbed  
I can't tell you how I feel  
I can't touch it  
It just don't feel right

*And if you tell me that I always seem to wander  
Just never get the point or always take much longer  
The joke may be on me but I'm under the covers  
My world may be a place that no one else discovers*

If you can .... Then take me as I am  
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## **OUTRO**