

**SCENE EIGHT: OPEN WATER**

*(Ariel sits, plucking an underwater flower. As she removes each petal, it floats away. Sebastian appears.)*

**SEBASTIAN**

Child! 'Dere you are!

*(beat)*

A *human*? You fell in love with a *human*—?

**ARIEL**

I didn't choose it! It just happened ...

**SEBASTIAN**

Oh, child—

**ARIEL**

I thought maybe ... just maybe ... you'd be happy for me?

**SEBASTIAN**

Happy for you?

*(incredulous)*

Happy? 'Cuz ya gone plumb crazy now?

*(shaking his head)*

Child, you got to get your head outta the clouds and back in da water where it belongs.

**ARIEL**

But I don't belong here. I never did. I don't fit in, as hard as I try—

*(then, brimming with hope)*

If only I could be "up there" instead! Walking on the very same ground he is, breathing the very same air—

**SEBASTIAN**

Down here is your home! The human world—it's a mess. Life under the sea is better than anything they got up there—

=12 - *Under the Sea*

Sebastian, Sea Creatures

**ARIEL**

You're wrong, I swear—

**SEBASTIAN**

Believe me, child, it's true!

**(SEBASTIAN)**

THE SEAWEED IS ALWAYS GREENER  
IN SOMEBODY ELSE'S LAKE  
YOU DREAM ABOUT GOING UP THERE  
BUT THAT IS A BIG MISTAKE

*(Flounder and sea creatures of all shapes and sizes enter and surround Ariel.)*

JUST LOOK AT THE WORLD AROUND YOU  
RIGHT HERE ON THE OCEAN FLOOR  
SUCH WONDERFUL THINGS SURROUND YOU  
WHAT MORE IS YOU LOOKIN' FOR?

UNDER THE SEA, UNDER THE SEA  
DARLIN', IT'S BETTER DOWN WHERE IT'S WETTER  
TAKE IT FROM ME  
UP ON THE SHORE THEY WORK ALL DAY  
OUT IN THE SUN THEY SLAVE AWAY  
WHILE WE DEVOTIN' FULL TIME TO FLOATIN'  
UNDER THE SEA

DOWN HERE ALL THE FISH IS HAPPY  
AS OFF THROUGH THE WAVES DEY ROLL

**FISH**

THE FISH ON THE LAND AIN'T HAPPY  
THEY SAD 'CAUSE THEY IN THE BOWL

**JELLYFISH**

BUT FISH IN THE BOWL IS LUCKY  
THEY IN FOR A WORSER FATE

**JELLYFISH, FLOUNDER**

ONE DAY WHEN THE BOSS GET HUNGRY

**SEBASTIAN**

GUESS WHO GON' BE ON THE PLATE!

**BASS**

UH OH

**SEBASTIAN**

UNDER THE SEA

UNDER THE SEA

**SEA CREATURES**

UNDER THE SEA

UNDER THE SEA

**SEBASTIAN**

NOBODY BEAT US, FRY US, AND EAT US IN FRICASEE

**SEA CREATURES**

UNDER THE SEA

**SEBASTIAN**

WE WHAT THE LAND FOLKS LOVE TO COOK  
 UNDER THE SEA WE OFF THE HOOK  
 WE GOT NO TROUBLES, LIFE IS THE BUBBLES  
 UNDER THE SEA

**SEA CREATURES**

OOH  
 WHOA

**SEA CREATURES**

LIFE IS THE BUBBLES UNDER THE SEA  
 OH, UNDER THE SEA

**SEBASTIAN**

UNDER THE SEA  
**SINCE** LIFE IS SWEET HERE  
**WE** GOT THE BEAT HERE NATURALLY  
**EVEN** THE STURGEON AN' THE RAY  
**THEY** GET THE URGE 'N' START TO PLAY

**SEA CREATURES**

UNDER THE SEA  
 UNDER THE SEA  
 HEY!

**SEBASTIAN, SEA CREATURES**

WE GOT THE SPIRIT, YOU GOT TO HEAR IT  
 UNDER THE SEA

**SEBASTIAN**

THE NEWT PLAY THE FLUTE  
 THE CARP PLAY THE HARP

**SEBASTIAN, SEA CREATURES**

THE PLAICE PLAY THE BASS  
 AND THEY SOUNDIN' SHARP  
 THE BASS PLAY THE BRASS  
 THE CHUB PLAY THE TUB  
 THE FLUKE IS THE DUKE OF SOUL  
 THE RAY, HE CAN PLAY  
 THE LINGS ON THE STRINGS  
 THE TROUT ROCKIN' OUT  
 THE BLACKFISH, SHE SINGS  
 THE SMELT AND THE SPRAT  
 THEY KNOW WHERE IT'S AT  
 AN' OH, THAT BLOWFISH BLOW!

*(Dance break. High-spirited ad-libs.)*

**SEBASTIAN**

AH, UNDER THE SEA  
UNDER THE SEA  
WHEN THE SARDINE  
BEGIN THE BEGUINE  
IT'S MUSIC TO ME!

**SEA CREATURES**

UNDER THE SEA  
UNDER THE SEA  
WHEN THE SARDINE  
BEGIN -  
IT'S MUSIC TO ME!

**SEBASTIAN**

WHAT DO THEY GOT

**SEBASTIAN, SEA CREATURES**

A LOT OF SAND?  
WE GOT A HOT CRUSTACEAN BAND

**SEBASTIAN**

EACH LITTLE CLAM HERE KNOW HOW TO JAM HERE  
EACH LITTLE SLUG HERE CUTTIN' A RUG HERE  
EACH LITTLE SNAIL HERE KNOW HOW TO WAIL HERE  
THAT'S WHY IT'S HOTTER UNDER THE WATER  
YA, WE IN LUCK HERE DOWN IN THE MUCK HERE  
UNDER THE SEA!

*(CUT 12A REPRISE - Go to Dialogue)*

**SEA CREATURES**

UNDER THE SEA  
UNDER THE SEA  
OH ...  
AH ...  
UNDER ...  
UNDER THE SEA!!

#12A - *After "Under the Sea"*

*Sebastian, Sea Creatures*

*(Once Sebastian gets consumed by the music, Ariel makes a break for it and swims away.)*

**SEA CREATURES, SEBASTIAN**

UNDER THE SEA!  
UNDER THE SEA!  
WHERE THE SARDINE BEGIN THE BEGUINE,  
IT'S MUSIC TO ME  
WHAT DO THEY GOT, A LOT OF SAND?  
WE GOT A HOT CRUSTACEAN BAND

**SEBASTIAN**

EACH LITTLE CLAM HERE  
KNOW HOW TO JAM HERE

**SEA CREATURES, SEBASTIAN**

UNDER THE SEA

## SEBASTIAN

EACH LITTLE SLUG HERE  
CUTTING A RUG HERE

## SEA CREATURES, SEBASTIAN

UNDER THE SEA

## SEBASTIAN

WE GOT A HOT CRUSTACEAN BAND HERE

## SEA CREATURES, SEBASTIAN

UNDER THE SEA

## SEBASTIAN

## SEA CREATURES

EACH LITTLE  
WAIL HERE KNOW HOW TO WAIL HERE  
THAT'S WHY IT'S  
HOTTER UNDER THE WATER  
WE IN LUCK HERE  
DOWN IN THE MUCK HERE  
UNDER THE ...

OH ...

AH ...

*(The sea creatures exit.)*

## SEBASTIAN

child, that's what I'm talking about!

*(glances about to discover that Ariel is long gone)*

id! Hello?

*(King Triton barges in with Aquata and Andrina in tow, leaving angry ripples in his wake.)*

## KING TRITON

is she, Sebastian? Where?

## SEBASTIAN

miss her. She slip away—

## KING TRITON

ink she'd betray her family this way. That she'd turn her back on her own kind!

## SEBASTIAN

can't help it, sire—!

## KING TRITON

ght her myself! And now she makes a mockery of everything we hold dear—

(KING TRITON)

*(pointedly)*

Where's she hiding?

SEBASTIAN

If I only knew —

KING TRITON

She keeps secrets from me, Sebastian; not from you. I'll wager you know where she is.

*(a stark command)*

Now, take me to her.

#12B - *Take Me to Her*

*(Sebastian and King Triton exit.)*