

Painless Opera

This is opera! Now don't be scared!
We have come to get you prepared.
Please don't be shy now, don't be afraid.
Come, meet the music that history saved.

This little tune is called the "Largo" from *The Barber of Seville*.
It's sung by Figaro. He'll make your wig and oh, all of the things that he can do and will!
He's the Barber of Seville. He's the Barber of Seville.
He's Figaro, Figaro, Figaro, Figaro, Figaro, Figaro,!

That was Rossini. You'll hear Puccini. But now the music is Georges Bizet.
Call her "Carmen". You'll find her charmin'. She may just steal your heart away!
Her gypsy charm, the Spanish scene, the cutest bullfighter you've ever seen!
These are the pieces of the plot. Forget the soaps and sitcoms, *Carmen's* hot!

(Solo..badly)
I never did like opera. They always sing too high!
Vibrato always bothered me.
It made me want to cry.

(everyone)
Then we tried singing opera. We found it very tough!
It takes a trained professional to sing such difficult stuff.

Are you still frightened? Certain it's a bore. Wake up with *Carmen's* "Toreador"!
Sure, you've heard this music before. It's not a cartoon it's "Toreador"!
Saturday mornings won't be the same, now that you know this tune's name!

Clever characters and fascinating stories. Gorgeous melodies like this "Il Trovatore".
Yes! Verdi penned another hit!

Bravo, bravissimo! Forte fortissimo! Not pianissimo! Think what you miss and oh,
Opera, opera, opera, opera! Be brave! Try it!