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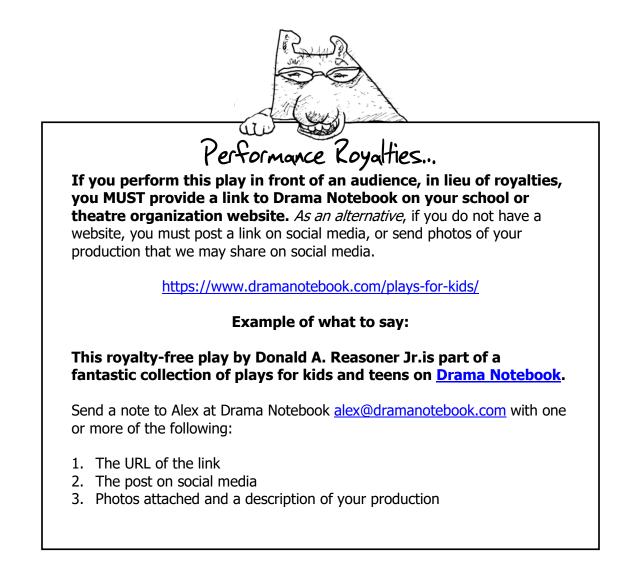
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About the play ...

*Aunt Lottie's Leftover Cafe?* is a comedic radio play commercial that tackles family mealtime. When a typical family can't decide where to go to for dinner, they are introduced to a very unusual restaurant. Aunt Lottie's Leftover Café doesn't actually cook their own food, but sends their "chefs" around town collecting the leftovers from the kitchens of more "fine dining" establishments. A hilarious commercial to add to your next radio play production!



Aunt Lottie's Leftover Cafe

A Radio Play Commercial by Donald A. Reasoner Jr.

**CHARACTERS** 

NARRATOR DAD MOM JIMMY DONNA CHEF #1 CHEF #2 RESTAURANT OWNER LADY DINER



Aunt Lottie's Leftover Cafe

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# NARRATOR

And now, an important word from one of our fine sponsors.

# DAD

Hey hon, kids, it's Friday night, and I was thinking...how 'bout I treat the whole family to dinner out?

# MOM

Oh, that sounds wonderful dear. I could use a night off from the kitchen.

# JIMMY

Yippee! I love eating out!

DONNA

Me too! Thanks, Dad!

# DAD

So...where should we go? (TO MOM) Hon?

# MOM

Hmmmm...let me think for a moment.

# JIMMY

(EXCITEDLY) How 'bout the Burger Barn!

# MOM

Well...I was thinking of something a little more formal. Not fancy, mind you, somewhere where we could be waited on and not have to order from the counter.

# DONNA

I say we go to Lettuce Land.

# JIMMY

(DISGUSTED) Yuucck! You would suggest that. (WHINING) Dad, don't make us go to a...salad place...pleeeezzzzeee?

# MOM

That's enough...if you two are going to complain, we can just stay at home and have...

# DAD

(INTERRUPTING MOM, EXCITEDLY) That's it...that's it! I know the perfect place! Let's go...to the Leftover Cafe!

# JIMMY AND DONNA

(TOGETHER, CHEERING) Yea!...Yippee!...Awesome!

#### мом

That's perfect dear

#### DAD

Last one in the car is a rotten egg

#### JIMMY AND DONNA

(TOGETHER, CHEERING) Yea!...Yippee!...Awesome!

### NARRATOR

This family knows. For a great evening out, there's no place like Aunt Lottie's Leftover Cafe. Located on historic highway 178, right next to the local hazardous waste disposal site, the Leftover Cafe is a truly unique dining experience. There are no printed menus, but our courteous and professional staff will help guide you in your dining choices. The Leftover Cafe features cuisine from some of the finest dining establishments in the area, served piping hot on our trademark Melmac dinner plates. Aunt Lottie's chefs are highly trained. They are experts in combing the neighborhood to find the finest culinary faire for your dining pleasure.

#### CHEF #1

(TOUGH GUY ACCENT) Hey Joe, smell this.

#### CHEF #2

(SNIFFS LOUDLY...THEN SIGHS CONTENTEDLY) Ahhh...chicken marsala.

#### CHEF #1

(CHUCKLING) I think we just found our Friday special.

#### CHEF #2

(LAUGHING)Yeah, give me a minute to box it all up (THEY BOTH LAUGH)

#### **RESTAURANT MANAGER**

(ANGRILY) Hey! I told you guys to stop hanging around the back of the store. Now beat it, or I'll call the cops!

#### NARRATOR

We all know that good food always tastes better the next day, and at the Leftover Cafe, that's all we serve. Our staff is so committed to providing your family with the highest quality in restaurant faire, that they will exhaust every option, no matter how unconventional, to bring you fancy food at affordable prices.

#### CHEF #1

Hey lady, you gonna finish that?

# LADY DINER

(FLUSTERED, BUT VERY PROPER) Uh, well...uh, yes, I was.

#### CHEF #1

Nah, you don't wanna eat all that. You wanna blow up all fat like my Aunt Bertha? Here let me scrape some of that off your plate.

#### LADY DINER

(VERY FLUSTERED) Uh...now, well, uh...

#### **RESTAURANT MANAGER**

(FROM A DISTANCE...ANGRILY) Hey you! I told you to get out of here...now scram, and don't come back!

#### NARRATOR

Why not visit the Leftover Cafe this weekend? You'll be glad you did. And don't forget our week-old leftover specials. They're perfect for entertaining those out of town relatives who just... happened to "drop by."

#### JIMMY

Hey Dad, what did you get?

#### DAD

(CHEWING) I don't know. Something with noodles, but it sure tastes great!

#### МОМ

Um, hmm!

#### NARRATOR

Aunt Lottie's Leftover Cafe. On highway 178. A truly unique dining experience.

# CURTAIN





Have a play to share?

