(Please include everybody’s full English

and Chinese names and students numbers!

And use the Times New Roman font!)

**Pickled Radishes**

Characters: Joe, Annie, Jason (Joe’s friend), and a teacher.

Performed by Jeff, Nick, and Yun

Scene 1: (At the cafeteria)

Joe: Hey Jason, let’s go find some seats in the cafeteria. I’m starving.

Jason: How can you be starving? You just finished your breakfast in class!

Joe: Well, I have to store up some energy for my geography presentation today.

Jason: That assignment is driving me nuts. I know nothing about the country I’m supposed to talk about.

Joe: You mean Finland? Well, they’ve got Santa!

Jason: I’m sure that little factoid will see me through the presentation...Hey, are you even listening to me?

Joe: (eyes focused on another table) I never noticed that Asian girl over there before. Who is she?

Jason: Probably a new student from China or Japan.

Joe: Let’s go sit next to her.

Scene 2:

Joe: Hi – I’m Joe, and this is Jason.

Annie: I’m Annie. Nice to meet you.

Jason: Nice to meet you too! You must be a transfer student, right? Where are you from?

Annie: Taiwan, which is located…

Joe: I know! It’s right next to Cambodia, right?

Annie: Um… you must be thinking of Thailand…

Jason: You’re such a genius at geography, Joe.

Joe: Oh be quiet. Mind if we join you for lunch?

Annie: Not at all – have a seat! … (opens her lunch box)

Joe: (sniff, sniff) What’s that…unusual smell?

Jason: Don’t know. Smells like something’s rotten!

Joe: (sniffing around) Ah! Annie – What’s that in your lunch box? (世界末日的語氣)

Annie: It’s…Taiwanese pickled radish …

Jason: Oh. And what's that black egg-shaped thing?

Annie: Um…that’s preserved egg…it’s actually very tasty…

Joe: Uh…so that’s the kind of thing you usually have for lunch? You don’t go for hamburgers? Or spaghetti?

Annie: (Annie打斷他) Well, sorry for offending your delicate sensibilities. Not to worry – I’m done eating and need to get to my next class. Nice meeting you. See you round. (這句語氣要有急著離去的感覺)

Joe: I’m sorry, Annie! I didn’t mean to offend you…

Jason: I think you’d better let her go.

Joe: What did I say? I must have really offended her…

Jason: (聽到鐘聲) Too late. Never mind. It’s time for geography.

Joe: Argh. (懊悔)

Scene 3:

Teacher: Next let’s welcome Annie Chang, who will talk to us briefly about her home country, Taiwan.

Joe: (whispering) That’s Annie from the cafeteria?

Jason: Yup.

Annie: Before coming to America, Taiwan was just home to me, the most ordinary place in the world. It was not until I came to the US that I realized how important Taiwanese food, the night markets, and the friendly people there are to me. I have lots of stories about this beautiful island to share with you. So let’s embark on an amazing journey together!

(After the presentation)

Jason: That was a great presentation.

Joe: It gave me a better impression of Taiwan than Annie’s lunchbox just did…

(Bell rings)

Scene 4: Break time, outside the classroom

Joe: Annie…

Annie: Oh…hi Joe, what’s up?

Joe: You gave a really great presentation just now. Taiwan sounds like a fascinating place to visit.

Annie: I’m glad you liked the talk.

Joe: Also…sorry for being so rude in the cafeteria. I really didn’t mean to be offensive. New things take a while to get used to.

Annie: Forget it. I may have overreacted a bit myself.

Joe: Well, I’d like to make it up to you. Are you, uh, available this weekend?

Annie: Um…Actually my family’s going to be making radish pickles together on Saturday… Hey, would you like to join us?

Joe: Uh… sure…why not?

Annie: It’ll give you a chance to step out of your comfort zone for a while.

Joe: Well, I definitely believe in expanding one’s horizons wherever possible.

Annie: Great – hope your nose agrees!

(Annie and Joe both laugh.)