Scene 1  
(Mark and Suzie are standing next to each other at the mall)  

Mark: Suzie, are you going to the party at church with Marci?  

Suzie: Yup, she's a little dorky, but that's okay. The more the merrier I always say. By the way, did you see her outfit? It makes her look so old!  

Mark: Her mom made it, but I thought it sort of looked cute on her.  

Suzie: (Laughing) Who wears clothes to the mall that their mom made?  

Marci walks up to her friends Mark and Suzie  

Marci: Hi guys, ready to party this Friday?  

Suzie: (Rolls her eyes) Marci, where did you get those clothes?  

Marci: These? (Looking down at her clothes) Well, my mom bought these on sales. She said if we buy things on sale, we'll have some money left over to contribute to our church campaign.  

Suzie: What church campaign?  

Mark: Remember? Our choir director said the performance this Friday night is part of our church wide campaign to collect money and clothing for the holidays. To help those less fortunate.  

Suzie: Oh yeah, that campaign! I have some old clothes and shoes that are not in style anymore. Hey Marci, you can look them over first to see if you like any. Then I'll bring the rest to the church.  

Marci: Nah, that's okay. There are probably kids that can use them much more than me.  

Suzie: (Rolling her eyes again) Marci! Those clothes are much more in style than what you're wearing now!  

Marci: You're probably right, but I just came to tell you that my mom is waiting for me at the pet shop. We're going to adopt a cat!  

Mark: Why are you adopting a cat? Don't you already have a dog?  

Marci: My mom says by having pets, I can learn how to give love to others and how to become responsible. Plus, cats are fun!  

Suzie: Yikes! Pets are too much work. I'd rather hang out with my friends.  

Mark: Well, her puppy is adorable, so maybe her cat will be too.  

Suzie: Whatever! We'll see you Friday Marci.  

Marci: Bye!  

(Marcie walks away leaving Mark and Suzie)
Suzie: You know, I can't believe she's getting another pet. She already kind of smells like her puppy.

Mark: Suzie, I thought you liked Marci. Why do you talk about her that way?

Suzie: Well, I do like her. She's nice to be around, but she's also kind of weird sometimes. Did you know that her mom even cuts her hair? It's so uneven.

Mark: I like her hairstyle. Why are you concerned with fancy stuff anyway. We don't live in a big city.

Suzie: My dad says that when we get rich, we'll move to the big city.

Mark: Okay. then you can be like the rich kids. In the meantime, while you live here, how about getting ready for the party at church.

Scene 2
(Marci and Suzie are standing together at the entrance to the church party)

Marci: Wow, you look so pretty. I really like the color of your shirt.

Suzie: Really? It cost a lot, but my dad didn't mind. What about your outfit? Did your mom make it for you... Say, what's that you're wearing ...a shawl?

Marci: Uuhh. We couldn't afford to go shopping for just one night. Mom gave me this shawl to keep warm.

Suzie: Well, it's cute on you. And unique! Have you seen Mark?

(Mark quickly walks up to the two girls)

Mark: (With a quirky smile) Ah Suzie, you wouldn't believe this. I think you need to go home and change before anyone sees you!

Suzie: Why?

Mark: (Trying not to laugh) All the girls performing tonight are wearing the same outfit you have on as their costume.

Suzie: (crying hysterically) I can't believe this. How am I going to get away?

Marci: Here, take my shawl and hide behind me and Mark. Come on Mark, let's help get Suzie out of here.

Suzie: (Grabbing the shawl from Marci and wrapping it around her) Good thing you have this. Can you guys walk a little closer?

(Suzie hides behind Mark and Marci as all three leave the room)