THE NOTEABLES

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FRUITY AND THE FLEECED

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fflfSong Order

1. **Putin' On The Ritz** (performing)
2. Mama I'm a Big Girl Now - jazz, maia qc (grown up)
3. They're Only Human (pathetic humans)
4. Rewrite the Stars (impossible love)
5. **Not While I'm Around** (world sucks but im here)
6. Anybody Have a Map? - isabel, emily, sophia qc (idk wtf is going on)
7. When Will My Life Begin - isabel qc (we're trapped, where is life)
8. Peaches (love)
9. **Where We Are** - aiman, julia qc (join noteables)
10. You're Welcome - sophia, masako, daniel qc (you're welcome)
11. As Long As You're Mine (ignore the world and be mine)
12. Gaston (i'm so good)
13. **Someone in the Crowd**

Scene Summaries:

Scene 1: Peaches used to be a young naive girl. But now she's all grown up. As a grown up, she feels very ready for a hot exciting romance sequence. She decides to club for true love.

Scene 2: A couple of friends are talking about a party and teenage stuff in language like "skibidi" and "rizzler." Gaston (a vampire) is 311 years old. He watches from the side, judges them. For decades, he's seen humans go through war and many things, and he hates humans now not only because of the stupid things they do, but also how far down human culture has sunken.

Scene 3: Peaches got very drunk, and disappointed at how the men looked in the club, she stumbles out of the building. She spots an extremely handsome person in the distance (Gaston) and doesn't notice that he's sucking someone's blood. She runs to him, and confesses love. Gaston throws the body away and blocks it, shocked by her candor. In panic, he agrees to be with her. After she leaves, he admits feelings for her, but thinks to himself how impossible this love is, since they are so different in age and in species.

Scene 4: Peaches is found kidnapped with hands tied on a chair. The kidnapper is planning on asking for ransom. Gaston rushes into the dungeon angry and scared. He fights the kidnapper and wins. With the kidnapper under his foot, he declares that such a thing will not happen, not while he's around.

Scene 5: Gaston confesses to Peaches that he's a vampire. Peaches agrees to be turned into one so that they can be together forever. Peaches, however, doesn't wake up after the transformation. Gaston is both confused and scared and doesn't know what he should do.

Scene 6: Gaston consults ancient vampires and scriptures about these transformations and potential solutions, but can't figure anything out. He departs on a journey to find solutions, and he tells Peaches's body to wait for him. Peaches's soul rises and tells of her desire for her life with Gaston and her vampire life to start, as she's been stuck for so long.

Scene 7: Gaston, while looking for solutions, and Peaches, while stuck in body, realizes how deeply they love each other.

Scene 8: A culty group of sketchy vampires comes into the room they are in. They say that they know of a cryptic ritual that can save her, and whispers while gaston is not hearing that the condition is that they both join

the group forever and work for them. Gaston is over the moon and agrees to perform the ritual. The ritual is performed and weird incantations said. Peaches wake up, hugs Gaston, when the leader of the group suddenly declares that they are now forcibly welcomed to join the group.

Scene 9: Gaston and Peaches doesn't understand, they don't want to join the group because they seem very weird. The leader is angry, the leader explains that such a big favor is done for them per the ritual. The leader says that they should be very grateful to join the group, and they should say thank you, and the leader can say "you're welcome."

Scene 10: Gaston and Peaches looks at the leader as if they are crazy. They hh pretend to be happy to join the group because the leader has a few followers that will surely beat them up if they don't join. After the leaders leave, they decide to escape in the middle of the night. They say to each other that everything will be ok as long as they have each other.

Scene 11: they travel to Gaston's place, which turned out to be a very big castle in a fancy town where he's the mayor. Gaston is very proud of what he built. He explains that whenever he feels down, he can't remain that way because people zzuaxlove him so much and they really support him.

Scene 12: The leader of the vampire group, leading some others, spots Gaston when he's out for his midnight walk. They stab him with a wooden stake, and they say that his life will pay for how he fooled the group. The vampire group leaves. Peaches runs in and finds Gaston at the verge of dceath. They have a moving moment where Gaston asks her to never forget him but find happiness again. Peaches decides that she will find her own corner of the sky and choose to be happy.

Characters:

Name	xPerformer
Peaches	Nina
Gaston	Aiman
Teenager #1	Hyunsoo
Teenager #2	Alan
Vampire Leader	Isabel
Vampire Minion #1	Melissa
Vampire Minion #2	Masako
Vampire Minion #3	Emily
Kidnapper	Jada

Scenes:

Scene	**Characters**	**Prop**
1 (After Puttin on the Ritz)	Peaches	
2 (After Mama I'm a Big Girl Now)	Gaston, Teen 1+2	

3 (After They're Only Human)	Peaches, Gaston	
4 (After Rewrite the Stars)	Peaches, Kidnapper, Gaston	Chair, rope??
5 (After Not While I'm Around)	Peaches, Gaston	peach
6 (After Anybody Have a Map)	Peaches, Gaston	book/computer, peach
7 (After When Will My Life Begin)	Peaches, Gaston, Jazz	book/computer, peach
8 (After Peaches)	Vampire Leader, Vampire 1+2+3, Gaston, Peaches	peach
9 (After Where We Are)	Vampire Leader, Vampire 1+2+3, Gaston, Peaches	
10 (After You're Welcome)	Peaches, Gaston	
11 (After As Long As You're Mine)	Peaches, Gaston	
12 (After Gaston)	Vampire Leader, Vampire 1, Gaston, Peaches	stake

SCRIPT

Scene 1: (after president's speech)

Peaches: Okay, Peaches. Tonight's the night. You're no longer the shy little girl who watched rom-coms in sweatpants and thought, 'Why don't boys notice me?' No, you are a WOMAN. A powerful, sultry, love-conquering, romance-grabbing woman!

She poses dramatically in front of the mirror, giving herself a wink.

Peaches: I'm not just any Peaches, I'm... *peachy*. You've got the looks, you've got the—oh no, is that spinach in my teeth? Ugh!

Peaches: Anyways, no such thing as too much when it comes to romance. You gotta go BIG or go home.

She strikes another pose, almost falling over. She looks around her room and grabs a bottle of wine.

Peaches: Okay, just a little pre-party courage... *a lot* of pre-party courage... This is fine. I'm FINE.

Tries to dance, fails.

Peaches: Wow, I'm... less coordinated than I thought. Maybe just... less dancing, more smoldering.

Comes off more like a pained grimace.

Peaches (disappointed): Oh god, that looks like I have gas.

She checks the clock and gasps.

Peaches: It's time! The night is mine. Let's go find true love. I'm a big girl now!

She dramatically marches out the door, tripping as she leaves.

Mama I'm a Big Girl Now

Scene 2:

Teen 1 (shouting over the music): Yo, that party last night was STRAIGHT fire. The vibe? Rizzler max, bro. Absolute skibidi skibidi!

Teen 2: Facts, bro! The way you hit that griddy? OOF, straight slayage!

Gaston stands in the shadows, glaring at them. He's wearing an all-black suit with a long cape, looking like a goth dad who's judging modern culture.

Gaston (mutters to himself): Slayage? Rizzler? What is this... language? I have survived wars, plagues, and the fall of empires, but this? THIS is truly the end of civilization.

He sighs deeply, crossing his arms, looking disgusted. One of the teens notices him and waves.

Teen 1 (yelling): Yo, dude, sick cape! You a magician or something? Oopd

Teen 2 (laughing): Yeah, bro, he's probably gonna pull a rabbit out of that thing!

They laugh obnoxiously. Gaston narrows his eyes.

Gaston (under his breath): If only I could make you disappear.

Teen 1: Nah, seriously though, this party's gonna be GOAT-level tonight. Mad rizz in here, dude.

Teen 2: I'mma hit that vibe like a W and never stop!

Gaston physically cringes.

Gaston (whispers): I've seen humanity create art, poetry, architecture... and now it's this. Goats? Vibes? We have fallen so far. How did we get here? Is it too late to leave this planet?

Teen 1 (yelling): Hey, man, what's your vibe? You look like you've got that vampire drip goin'!

Gaston flashes his fangs in response, and the teens scream and run off.

Gaston (muttering): That's more like it. Let's not get riled up now over this, they're only human.

They're Only Human

Scene 3:

Peaches stumbles out of the club, waves to distance.

Peaches (slurred): Not today, Chad. I'm looking for *real* love. Not your sad, last-call-at-the-bar nonsense.

In the distance, she spots Gaston. She pauses and squints.

Peaches (squinting): Oh my God... that is... one... sexy... dude.

She hiccups and giggles.

Peaches (dreamily): This is it. This is destiny. I always said I'd find love with a vampire on the street after leaving a club at 2 a.m. in a glitter dress...

Gaston finishes feeding on the victim, wiping his mouth. Peaches dramatically points at Gaston.

Peaches (shouting): You! Tall, dark, and... and dreamy! I... I think I love you!

Gaston, startled, drops the body. He quickly stands in front of it, trying to act casual.

Gaston (panicking): Love? You... love me? *confused* Who are you?

Peaches stumbles right up to him, leaning against his chest, looking up at him with starry eyes.

Peaches (giggling): I'm Peaches! And you're... you're the love of my life. I can feel it. I have this *connection* to you... like, I don't know, it's like we were meant to be."

Gaston looks utterly baffled and also horrified.

Gaston (muttering): Meant to be...? But you're a human and I don't even know you...

Peaches (poking his chest): Oh, you will! We'll get to know each other. And then we'll get married and have a whole life together!!

Gaston: Wait–what? A life?! No, no… this is moving too fast–

Peaches: No, it's perfect!! You're a vampire, right? You have that whole broody, mysterious thing going on. I bet you're so handsome that you sparkle in the sunlight. Positively effervescent!

Gaston (under his breath, exasperated): Ugh, no... I don't sparkle. Listen, uh... Peaches, right? I'm flattered—really—but you should probably... sleep this off. I mean, we just met, and—

Peaches (enthusiastic): No way! I knew it the moment I saw you! You're *the one*! It's, like, written in the stars.

Gaston (gritting his teeth): Uh, it's more like it's written in the stars that we shouldn't be together..

Peaches (gushing): Then we'll rewrite the stars and constellations and make it happen!

Gaston (grimacing): That's... not how it works.

He looks around, hoping for some kind of escape from this bizarre situation. Then, suddenly, Peaches slaps a hand to her forehead.

Peaches: Oh my God, I didn't even ask your name! How rude of me! What's your name, Mr. Mysterious Hot Vampire Guy?"

Gaston (reluctantly): I'm... Gaston.

Peaches: Gaston... that's perfect! Like, super elegant. Ugh, I'm so lucky.

Gaston (muttering): Lucky... right...

Peaches (serious): So... we're doing this, right? You, me, and vampire babies?

Gaston (resigned): Sure... babies... Why not?

Peaches squeals with excitement and hugs him again, tighter this time. Gaston looks up at the sky, clearly wondering what he's gotten himself into.

Gaston (under his breath): What... have I done?

Peaches giggles and stumbles away from him, blowing him a kiss as she walks off.

Peaches (calling over her shoulder): See you soon, we'll rewrite those stars!

Gaston (softly): ... rewrite the stars…yea!

Rewrite the Stars

Scene 4:

Peaches is tied to a chair.

Peaches (annoyed): Ugh, seriously? You kidnapped *me*? Do you even know who I am?

Kidnapper (flustered): Shut up! I'm the one in charge here!

Peaches (rolling her eyes): Yeah, yeah. So, what's your big plan? Gonna ask for ransom? 'Cause let me tell you, I don't even have a credit score yet.

Kidnapper (snapping): I said shut up! I've got this all figured out! I'm gonna send a message to your mom or boyfriend or whoever, and they're gonna pay me BIG time.

Peaches: Boyfriend? Oh, you mean Gaston? Yeah, good luck with that. He's more 'eternal darkness' than 'Sugar Daddy.'

The kidnapper stares confused.

Kidnapper: Who the heck is Gaston?

Peaches (smirking): My super hot vampire boyfriend, duh. He's like, hundreds of years old, and I haven't heard anything from him since that one night, so good luck with your whole 'ransom' thing."

The kidnapper blinks, his bravado faltering.

Kidnapper (hesitant):
“A... vampire?”

Peaches (mockingly):
“Yeah, man. You really didn’t do your homework, huh? You’re about to get yourself a big ol’ bite to the neck.”

The kidnapper’s face goes pale as he starts to fidget nervously.

Kidnapper (muttering to himself): A vampire... Oh, um. They are like Bella and Edward?

Gaston bursts in, his cape billowing behind him, he storms toward the kidnapper.

Gaston (furious):
“Young woman, you dare to lay a hand on her?”

The kidnapper, now absolutely terrified, takes a few steps back, holding up his hands in a panic.

Kidnapper (stammering): H-hey, WOW, actual vampire! I didn’t know she was your—uh—your girlfriend! Look, I didn’t touch her, I swear!

Gaston air grabs the kidnapper by the throat.

Gaston (darkly): No one… touches my Peaches.

Peaches: woohoo, let’s go, gaston etc. *during this fight*

Kidnapper (choking): I... I’m sorry! I won’t do it again! Please, let me go!

Peaches (cheerfully): That’s my man! Show him who’s boss, babe!

Gaston glances at her, his face softening for a moment. Then he turns back to the kidnapper, tightening his grip slightly.

Gaston (menacing): If you ever so much as *think* about harming her again...

The kidnapper runs away, drops knife.

Gaston unties Peaches from the chair, his expression softening.

Gaston (sighing): You never fail to surprise me at the strangest times and places.

Peaches (teasing): What can I say? I like to keep things exciting.

Gaston: No one’s gonna hurt you, not while I’m around!

Not While I’m Around

Scene 5:

Gaston paces.

Peaches (playful): So, are you gonna tell me what’s got you pacing like a headless chicken?

Gaston (hesitant): Peaches... there's something I need to tell you. Something... about me.

Peaches (teasing): Let me guess. You're actually not a vampire, you're a werewolf. Or maybe a really small Big Foot?

Gaston (serious):
"No, Peaches... I've taken lives before. Even the night we met."

A beat of silence.

Peaches (laughing):
"Oh my God, I thought you were gonna say something serious! A carnivorous vampire? Ha! That's rich! As far as I know, vampires have been vegetarian since the last century!

Peaches (in disbelief): Wait... you're not joking? It wasn't just acting that night?

Gaston (quietly): I wish I were.

Peaches: Holy crap. You're serious. You've stuck with the old ways and didn't keep up with the vampiric revolutions..

Peaches paces

Peaches (rattling off): So, like... you drink blood? And sleep in a coffin? Can't go out in the sun? You've been like this for, like, centuries...

Gaston: Three hundred and eleven years, but who's counting… I've always been a hater for humankind, even before my own transformation. But now that I've met you, I'm ready to change, no more killing and human blood!

Peaches: in that case my dear Gaston, I'm ready to change too! Into a vampire just like you!

Gaston blinks, caught off guard by the question.

Gaston (confused): Uh... I suppose that would solve some problems, but—

Peaches (grinning): Score! I'm dating an immortal guy! I mean, I knew you were old-school charming, but this... wow.

Gaston: Peaches, this isn't a joke. My world is... dangerous. Being with me means living in darkness, forever. You'll have to give up everything—your life, your friends, your future.

Peaches is quiet for a moment.

Peaches: Gaston... I don't care about all that. My life, my friends, my future is with you. If being a vampire is what it takes, then turn me. I'm ready.

Gaston stares at her, clearly conflicted.

Gaston (softly): Are you sure? This isn't something you can take back, Peaches.

Peaches: I'm sure. Let's do this.

Gaston hesitates for a moment longer.

Gaston (quietly):
“Very well.”

Gaston pretends to bite on peaches’s throat. She screams. BLACKOUT (Nina exits, peach enters)

Gaston (whispering, panicked): Peaches? Peaches...? What?

He kneels to touch the peach

Gaston (desperate): No... no, this can’t be happening...

Gaston (frantic): What did I do wrong? Why didn’t she wake up?! Why did she turn into a peach???

Gaston (whispering): I don’t know what to do.. Is there a priest or a vampiric doctor? Does anybody have a map?

Anybody have a map?

Scene 6:

Gaston has been searching for answers. He sits next to the peach. Use book or computer

Gaston (desperate, muttering to himself): There has to be something... a mistake I made... something I missed...

He slams a book shut in frustration, tossing it aside. He reaches for another one, his hands trembling.

Gaston (growling): No, no, no! This can’t be the end... not like this. She deserves to wake up... to live, as a humanoid being!

Suddenly, the sound of an ethereal voice fills the room. It’s soft, like a whisper carried on the wind. Gaston freezes, his eyes widening in shock.

Peaches’ Soul (gentle): Gaston...

Gaston turns around to look at ghost peaches

Peaches’ Soul: You look so serious... and so handsome when you’re worried.

Gaston (choked): Peaches? Is it really you?

Peaches’ Soul (softly): It’s me... kind of. I guess I’m stuck between worlds.

Gaston (anguished): I’m so sorry... I tried to turn you, but something went wrong. I don’t know how to fix it.

Peaches’ Soul (reassuring): Don’t blame yourself. It’s not your fault. I was always a little... complicated.

Gaston (frustrated): But I swore I’d keep you safe... I swore we’d be together. How can I fix this? How can I bring you back?

Peaches' soul looks down at peach.

Peaches' Soul: I don't know, Gaston. But I do know one thing... I want to be with you. I've never wanted anything more.

Gaston: Then I'll find a way. No matter how long it takes... I'll find a way to bring you back.

Peaches smiles softly at him, her form starting to fade.

Peaches' Soul: I know you will. But don't forget to live while you're searching. I'll be waiting for you... always.

Gaston: I'll bring you back, Peaches... I swear it!

Gaston runs off with the peach

Peaches: I thought I was ready for a new stage of life, and I thought Gaston was the sign that the new life had come. But now, look at me, neither human nor vampire, neither alive or dead… Really, when will my life begin?

When will my life begin?

Scene 7:

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eaches' voice begins to narrate over the scene.

Peaches' Soul (voiceover, soft and longing): Every moment I spend like this, I think about him. I think about how much I miss his ridiculously handsome face... I never thought I'd fall for someone so... old.

Peaches' Soul (voiceover, affectionate): But he's not just old... He's strong. And brave. And he cares so deeply... XX sometimes, too deeply. Even now, he's out there, searching for a way to bring me back.

Gaston enters reading more books with the peach, Jazz sings you are my sunshine while nina circles gaston

Gaston (whispering to himself): I'll never stop, Peaches. I'll find a way out. I'll make this right.

Peaches' Soul (speaking to herself): Gaston... I'm still here. I'm waiting.

She tries to touch the peach but stops. She sighs, floating upward once more, looking out the window at the night sky.

Peaches' Soul (softly): I never thought I'd want eternity. I never thought I'd want... him. But here I am, stuck between this world and the next...

Peaches' Soul (softly, with conviction): I'll wait for you, Gaston. However long it takes. We'll figure this out. And when we do... I'll be right here.

Gaston: Peaches, believe in me… peaches, I love you, peaches!

Peaches

Scene 8:

Sketchy vampire group whispers stage left

Gaston enters in a rushed manner, gets scared by them

Vampire Leader (smooth, eerie): Gaston... we've heard of your troubles. Perhaps we can help.

Gaston eyes them warily, standing up to face them.

Gaston (cautious): Who are you? And what do you know about what I'm going through?

The vampire leader chuckles, his fangs just visible as he grins.

Vampire Leader (mysterious): We are an ancient order of vampires... and we have ways of solving... problems such as yours. It is true, yes? The woman you love... she turned into a fruit during the transformation?

Gaston tenses

Gaston: How do you know that?

The leader glides forward, circling Gaston like a predator.

Vampire 1 (whispering): We know many things. We have seen many transformations fail over the centuries. And... we know of a ritual. A powerful one. One that could save her from her current agony and reunite you.

Gaston: You do? … wait, what's the catch?

Vampire 2 (coy): Catch? There is no catch, dear Gaston... merely a condition. A small one. After we help you, you and your beloved will join our wonderful group. Work for us. Forever. We'll be like a big happy family!

Gaston (uncertain): Join you... how? What will we have to do?

Vampire Leader (softly): We do important work, Gaston. We protect the old ways and restore the glory that we vampires once lived in. No more giving in to the humans and the mundane society. You and your beloved just need to help us, and you could live forever, together, under our protection. What do you say?

Gaston glances back at Peaches' body.

Gaston: If this ritual works... then fine, I guess, we can make some agreement.

They shake on it.

Vampires gather around the peach and whisper weird things.

BLACKOUT - peach is hidden, Nina enters

Peaches (gasping, confused): Gaston?

Gaston rushes to her side, pulling her into his arms.

Peaches (softly): I knew you'd figure it out.

Vampire 1 (darkly): Don't be so fast now, sweet girl. Thank him less and thank us more... and now... it's time to fulfill your end of the bargain.

Peaches pulls back, looking at Gaston with confusion.

Peaches: What... what did she mean by that?

Gaston (grimly): They want us to join their order. Forever.

Peaches (angry): Wait... what? You sold us out to these creeps?!

Gaston (defensive): I had no choice! It was the only way to bring you back! And now we're in the morally grey zone where we have to break a promise to protect ourselves!

Vampire Leader: Oh, don't worry. You'll find life with us quite... rewarding. You'll be very happy where we are.

Where we are

Scene 9:

Vampire Leader (leaning in, smugly): Now that you've been graciously welcomed into our family, you'll find there's much work to be done. Consider it a gift—a chance to serve the very beings who just saved your lives.

Gaston (firmly, defensive): Gift? You call working a gift? Explain, what is it that you want us to do?

Vampire 1 (leaning in, smugly): Well, you see, many of the modern vampires have chosen to become vegetarian and live solely on tomato juices. To be frank, that's a disgrace for all of us. We're advocating for the good old ways of human blood-sucking and mansion owning, and you will be spreading our good message!!

Peaches (pointedly): Yeah, thanks, but no thanks. You should know that a couple of weeks ago I was still a human, and there's no way that we'll endorse this!! I didn't sign up for this whole 'eternal servitude' thing. You're acting like we should be grateful when you're really just using us.

Vampire 3: Oh, but you should be grateful! We went to great lengths to bring you back, from a peach form no less. It's a big favor, and in our world, favors come with obligations. You owe us.

Peaches: Look, we get it. You saved us, and you think you're being generous, but we're not interested in joining your little... vampire army for even a little bit, especially when it's so cruel and evil.

Vampire Leader: Refusing our offer would have... consequences. This isn't just about you two. We have a reputation to uphold, and it is something we do not take lightly. You should be careful how and whereyou tread.

Gaston: Let's get something straight. We're not scared of you or your threats. We didn't ask for this "small favor" to ruin the rest of our lives, and we'll fight to protect our freedom. You might have your rituals and powers, but we have something you don't—love and freedom!

Vampire Leader (mockingly): Saying no isn't an option, my dears. You're already in this deep. You're welcome.

You’re welcome

Scene 10:

Peaches and Gaston run across the stage, and run back on stage.

Peaches (hushed, glancing over her shoulder): We can’t let them catch us. We have to get far enough away from here before they realize that we’re gone.

Gaston: I won’t let them control us. We’ll find another way and a place to be. We always do.

Peaches: Okay, let’s keep going. We can’t look back. Just... stay close to me.

Walk around stage.

Gaston (breathless, but grinning): Can you believe we almost joined those weirdo vampires? That was insane! I mean, you’re welcome? What’s she talking about?

Peaches: I know, right? It’s like they think we’re just going to roll over and accept their weird cult life and make serial killers. No thanks! I’m not ready to trade my life for a vampire group membership card.

Gaston: Let’s head to the mountains where I used to live. It’s far enough away that they won’t find us right away. We can figure out our next move there.

Peaches: Sounds like a plan. I’m so glad I have you by my side. Whatever happens, we can do it, as long as you’re mine.

As Long as you’re mine

Scene 11:

Peaches (looking around, amazed): Wow, you live around here? This place is beautiful! It feels... peaceful. Like we’ve stepped into another world.

Gaston: It’s perfect. Just what we need right now. Away from all the chaos and... that cult.

Peaches: I can’t believe we actually escaped. I thought they would get to us for sure. It’s like... for the first time, we’re free to be ourselves. Together.

Gaston: you’re right, but we still have to be careful. The leader won’t give up easily. He’ll come for us, and when he does, we need to be ready.

Peaches: Whatever happens, I want you to know that I’m in this with you. We’ll figure it out together. I’ve never felt so alive, Gaston. You make me feel like I can take on the world and live forever, literally!

Gaston: I feel the same way, Peaches. You’ve brought light into my life, something I thought I’d lost forever. I want to protect that. I want to protect us.

Peaches: And I will too! How far away are we from your place?

Gaston: we're just a few mountains away, I'm sure we'll get there in no time. When we get there, I'll set up a little fortress at the front door, where I'll be guarding and fighting off anyone who dares to come. No one, I mean no one, gets past Gaston!

Gaston

Scene 12:

Vampire Leader (furious): They think they can just run away from us? They really think they can refuse our invitation and live freely? We will show them the error of their ways!

A follower steps forward, eager to please.

Vampire 1: The AirTag that we planted on them shows that they're moving closer and closer, they should be here any minute.

Vampire Leader: Wonderful! I had an inkling that Gaston would choose to hide here, just like he always does.

Vampire 1: yes, we can only bow to your wisdom and foresight!

Vampire Leader: now now. I want to deal with them personally. They need to understand that there are consequences for defying us. A life we gave, a life we'll take back. Prepare the stake; I'll finish this myself.

They walk off to the shadow

Gaston and Peaches arrive, tired and panting.

Gaston: We're here, finally! Let's take a breather..

Vampire Leader (coming out of shadow): Welcome home, Gaston. And welcome, Peaches. You thought you could escape us? You thought you could just say 'no' and walk away?

Gaston: WHAT?! You're not welcome here! We'll never join your twisted group, no matter what you threaten us with.

The leader's smile fades, replaced by anger.

Vampire Leader: You're making a grave mistake. This isn't just about you two anymore. It's about respect, loyalty, and the fate of our kind. Now, peaches, be ready to yield your life!

Gestures for stake. Ready to strike. When Leader is about to stab peaches, gaston pushes her off

Gaston: Peaches, watch out!!...

Gaston is stabbed in the chest.

Vampire Leader: We said we would take a life, and now it's taken. We'll leave you for your final moments.

They leave. Peaches run to Gaston and pulls out the stake.

Peaches: noo!! Gaston!! Please don't die on me!

Gaston (smiling): Peaches, alive or dead, I'll be with you. Promise me one thing, will you find your corner of the sky?

Peaches nods aggressively. Gaston dies.

Corner of the sky