

## 9. RALPHIE ~~ MOTHER ~~ WOMEN'S

### ENSEMBLE ~~ KIDS' ENSEMBLE (boys)

Ralphie has almost shot his eye out and has broken his glasses. It's the worst thing he could have done. The only way out of getting in trouble is to make up a story about how he was accidentally hurt. Mother is worried, then melted by Ralphie's tears.

RALPHIE: Mommy!

MOTHER: Ralphie? What's the matter, baby? What happened?

RALPHIE: There was ... this ... icicle!

MOTHER: Icicle?

RALPHIE: Yeah, an icicle, and it fell off the garage roof and hit my cheek, and it broke my glasses ... and I tried to get out of the way ... but I couldn't ...

MOTHER: Ah, lemme see. It's just a little bump. You poor thing! You're lucky it didn't hit your eye! Those icicles have been known to kill people!

RALPHIE: But what about my glasses?

MOTHER: Well, you can wear the old ones with the crack in them until we can get you some new ones.