

“Be Prepared” Lyric Sheet
From Disney’s *The Lion King JR.*

SCAR

I NEVER THOUGHT HYENAS ESSENTIAL.
YOU’RE CRUDE AND UNSPEAKABLY PLAIN.
BUT MAYBE YOU’VE A GLIMMER OF POTENTIAL
IF ALLIED WITH MY VISION AND BRAIN.

I KNOW THAT YOUR POWERS OF RETENTION
ARE AS WET AS A WARTHOG’S BACKSIDE.
BUT THICK AS YOU ARE, PAY ATTENTION!
MY WORDS ARE A MATTER OF PRIDE.

IT’S CLEAR FROM YOUR VACANT EXPRESSIONS
THE LIGHTS ARE NOT ALL ON UPSTAIRS.
BUT WE’RE TALKING KINGS AND SUCCESSIONS.
EVEN YOU CAN’T BE CAUGHT UNAWARES!

HYENAS

HEM HEM HEM HEM

U HAH HAH HAH
U HAH HAH HAH
HAH HAH HAH,
HAH HAH HAH
HAH!

SCAR, HYENAS

LET’S PREPARE FOR THE CHANCE OF A LIFETIME.
BE PREPARED FOR SENSATIONAL NEWS.
A SHINING NEW ERA
IS TIPTOEING NEARER.

SHENZI

AND WHERE DO WE FEATURE?

SCAR

JUST LISTEN TO TEACHER!
I KNOW IT SOUNDS SORDID
BUT YOU’LL BE REWARDED
WHEN AT LAST I AM GIVEN MY DUES

AND INJUSTICE DELICIOUSLY SQUARED,
BE PREPARED!

HYENAS

HAH HAH, HAH HAH
HAH HAH, HAH HAH
HAH HAH, HAH HAH
HAH HAH, HAH HAH
HAH HAH, HAH HAH HAH
BE PREPARED!

BANZAI

Yeah! Be prepared. We’ll be prepared!
(confused)
For what?

SCAR

For the death of the king.

BANZAI

Is he sick?

SCAR

No, fool! We are going to kill him. And Simba, too.

SHENZI

Great idea! Who needs a king?

SHENZI, BANZAI

(chanting)

No king, no king! La la la la la!

SCAR

Idiots! There will be a king!

BANZAI

But you said—

SCAR

I will be king! Stick with me and you'll never go hungry again!

SHENZI

All right!

BANZAI, SHENZI

Long live the king!

HYENAS

Long live the king!!

SCAR, HYENAS

SO PREPARE FOR THE COUP OF THE CENTURY

SCAR

BE PREPARED FOR THE MURKIEST SCAM
METICULOUS PLANNING
TENACITY SPANNING
DECADES OF DENIAL
IS SIMPLY WHY I'LL
BE KING UNDISPUTED
RESPECTED, SALUTED
AND SEEN FOR THE WONDER I AM
YES, MY TEETH AND AMBITIONS ARE BARED

HYENAS

U LA LA LA
WE'LL HAVE FOOD
LOTS OF FOOD
WE REPEAT!
ENDLESS MEAT...

HAH HAH HAH
HAH HAH HAH HAH!

SCAR, HYENAS

BE PREPARED!
YES, OUR TEETH AND AMBITIONS ARE BARED.
BE PREPARED!