

Dialogue Sample from PINOCCHIO 2142: A SPACE ADVENTURE

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*[In an attempt to rescue his father
J. PETTO, who is marooned on a deserted
planet, PINOCCHIO goes to the Interplanetary
Travel Agency where he encounters the
unscrupulous MISS DELILA CAT and BERNARD
J. FOXWORTH.]*

BERNARD

Wake up. We've got a customer. Hello, hello, hello. Welcome to the Interplanetary Travel Agency. Your name, sir?

PINOCCHIO

Pinocchio.

BERNARD

Mr. Pinocchio, let me introduce myself. I am Bernard J. Foxworth and this is my ... "associate," Miss Delila Cat.

DELILA

Pleased to meet you. My aren't you an attractive ...
(Attention to BERNARD)
... metal boy?

PINOCCHIO

Thank you, Miss.

BERNARD

(Slowly dawning on him)
Metal ...

DELILA

Call me Delila.

BERNARD

Metal!!

PINOCCHIO

(Enjoying DELILA's attention)
Thank you ... Delila.

BERNARD

(Irritated)

Now that we're finished with the introductions, let's get down to business. I'm sure a gentleman with your obvious polish is interested in one of our first class travel packages.

PINOCCHIO

Oh, I am.

BERNARD

You're going to have a great vacation.

PINOCCHIO

Oh, I'm not interested in a vacation. This is for my father.

BERNARD

Your father? Where is he?

PINOCCHIO

Oh, he's not here. He's on an unnamed planet way out there. That's why I'm here - to travel back there and bring him here ... home.

BERNARD

Too bad your dad's so far away. Miss Cat, why don't you tell Mr. Pinocchio about some of our fine vacation opportunities? You'll need lots of relaxation and fun before you embark on a tiring and time consuming expedition of that nature.

DELILA

Oh, I'd be delighted, Mr. Foxworth. Let's begin with our Mars package. Some like it hot ... it sizzles at Club Red... swimming, tennis, golf - all under an ultraviolet dome. It's cool inside. Six days, five nights. And what nights - red hot entertainment -

PINOCCHIO

I don't think you understand -

DELILA

(With French accent)

Patience.

(Continuing without accent)

We just need to match client to location. I understand. You don't like to sweat. Of course, you're metal, cold, cool metal. Just a minute. It's coming to me. Pluto! It's purrfect. The farthest planet from the sun. The snow is shipped in daily from the Scandivanvian Alps.

PINOCCHIO

Sorry, Miss Delila, but -

DELILA

Wait a minute! I've got it! How could I have missed it? You like Earth, right?

PINOCCHIO

That's right.

DELILA

Well, have we got something for you! Right here on Earth! You're going to Virtual Reality!

PINOCCHIO

Virtual Reality?

DELILA

It's a theme park ... but a theme park like no other. You want to go to outer space? You go. Got a dream? Make it come true. At Virtual Reality anything is possible.

PINOCCHIO

Yeah? I don't know ...

DELILA

I'll take you there myself.

BERNARD

We'll take you there ... now!

(PINOCCHIO is led out of travel agency
by BERNARD and DELILA.)

BERNARD (Continued)

And after a relaxing trip to the fantastic Virtual Reality Theme Park, we'll book you a spaceship and crew to retrieve your father. Where did you say he was?

PINOCCHIO

On an unnamed planet at the edge of the universe.

DELILA

Oh, that calls for one of our adventure packages.

(DELILA and BERNARD lead PINOCCHIO
offstage arm-in-arm.)