## **MAMA SUG (Side)**

## (June 1969, St Mary, **MAMA SUG**’s house, **MAMA** Sugus enters with two saucers with two bun and cheese sandwiches and heads for **LITTLE JAZZ** and **LITTLE DOC** who are sitting on a couch watching ‘Bonanza’.)

#### **MAMA** **SUGUS**

#### Papa Doc, come, take this.

#### **LITTLE DOC**

#### Both of them are for me, right Mama, tell this big head boy say...

#### **LITTLE JAZZ**

#### What a way him bright eeee?!

#### **LITTLE DOC**

#### That's right, come in first in a class of sixty. Yuh done know!

#### **LITTLE JAZZ**

#### Oh shut yuh mouth Doc. all you have is book sense.

#### **MAMA SUGUS**

#### Hush up now, and eat this snack before night finish falling. Look the ocean soon eat the Sun and vomit back out the moon. Whew! What a hot night! And the humidity a kill me!

(**MAMA SUGS** takes off her scarf and sits between **LI’L DOC** & **LITTLE JAZZ**.)

#### **LITTLE DOC**

#### Alright Mama, I'll be a good boy as usual, not like this rebel here.

#### **MAMA SUGUS**

#### Eat up and listen to me. I have something very serious to tell you both.

**(LITTLE DOC** and **LITTLE JAZZ** tear into the bun and cheese)

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#### **LITTLE JAZZ**

#### (with his mouth full of food)

#### Go on Mama, we're listening.

#### **MAMA** **SUGUS**

#### No talking… with food in your mouths!

####  BEAT

####  A couple of years ago, I found out from a market woman you boys aren't mine.

**(LITTLE JAZZ** stops eating)

#### **LITTLE JAZZ**

#### What do you mean Mama?

#### **MAMA SUGUS**

####  I told you both, you were my kidnapped twin sons, but I was wrong. A market woman who used to work for Madam Simms - named Lilette, say she know you two boys well. She says, Madam brought Doc from him parents – two head servants for a rich and powerful British family, your parents names are Hyacinth and Wentworth Sinclair, from Lucey, Hanover. They had to get rid of you or loose their jobs. Here is your birth certificate;

(hands DOC the BIRTH CERTIFICATE)

#### your birth name is Dudley Sinclair. And you Jazz, your Mama was killed by a madman. His love became obsession and he stalked her and killed her one night, while you slept. You were only two months old when they found you in the bushes, next to Madame Simms property.

#### **LITTLE JAZZ**

#### What is my surname, who is my mother? Where did she come from?

#### **MAMA SUGUS**

#### Your mother was a head teacher for Oracabessa High School, who lived in a cottage on school premises. She moved here from Kingston pregnant, to set up her own school and fell in love with a local musician and record executive named Richie Ricketts. Her helper says that he killed her because, she told him you wasn't his, after he confronted her about her refusal to tell her mother about him and the baby. Poor thing, she probably didn't want to disappointment her poor mother, who is supposedly some big shot head teacher in Kingston.

#### **LITTLE JAZZ**

#### What is my last name Mama, my name... please!

#### **MAMA SUGUS**

#### Sampson, your Mama's name is Sula ...Sula Sampson. Here is your birth certificate too. I will always love you two, regardless. I just knew, I needed to tell you the truth. You deserve, so much more, than this life has provided you. Don't worry, I already worked whole heap of obeah, to make sure we find your parents.