

Practically Perfect

CUE:

JANE: How did you come then? It was as if the wind just blew you here.

MARY POPPINS: It did. Now, stand over there!

(*MARY POPPINS pulls out a measuring tape, holds it against MICHAEL, and reads.*)

(**MARY POPPINS:**) Just as I thought. "A noisy, mischievous, troublesome little boy."

MICHAEL: You're making that up!

(*Without a word, MARY POPPINS holds the tape for MICHAEL to read.*)

"A noisy, mischievous, troub—"

Freely at first ♩ = 110

(*Stunned, MICHAEL looks at JANE.*)

MARY POPPINS: Now you. (*She holds the tape against JANE and reads.*) "Thoughtless, short-tempered and untidy."

JANE: I don't believe you. Let me see— (*JANE looks at the truth-telling tape in disbelief.*) What about your measurement, Mary Poppins? (*MARY POPPINS measures herself, then reads:*)

Steady ♩ = 90

MARY POPPINS:

I'm prac-ti-cal-ly per - fect — In ev-'ry way

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JANE:

MARY POPPINS:

Prac - tical - ly per - fect?

So peo - ple say

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Each vir - tue

vir - tu - 'lly knows

no bound

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Each trait is great and pat - ent - ly sound

I'm prac - tic - al - ly per - fect

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— from head to toe

If I had a fault

it would nev - er dare to

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show I'm so prac - tic - al - ly per - fect In ev - e - ry

(MARY POPPINS:) Now, perhaps you have a few questions.

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way

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