

Minnie and Mickey I



Minnie and Mickey Goldberg were catering a luncheon for Disney Studios one hot day in June and didn't seem to be enjoying their work. Minnie complained because Mickey hadn't aligned the tableware just so. And Mickey griped right back when Minnie spilt some mulligatawny on the napkins. No matter the Goldbergs' food was unusually toothsome, their constant bickering got on the nerves of more than one studio executive. Indeed, the Second Assistant Production Research Intern was about to ask them to leave when a talent scout intervened. She saw something in the interaction between the two that she was convinced would translate to the big screen. Oh, it was hard work – there were changes aplenty, starting with their core personalities. But eventually, they turned into the loveable cartoon duo of Minnie and Mickey *Mouse* that have entertained millions for decades. By the way, the original husks of the pair – withered but still recognizable – are on display at Disneyland's Jungle Cruise ride, just past the hippopotamuses.