Lights! Camera! Action!

Readers’ Theater and Plays for the Primary Grades

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Thank you for your interest in Lights! Camera! Action!! This sample packet will give you an overview of plays that can be performed in front of an audience or read in Readers’ theater. If you have any questions please email www.phonicsdance.com or call (937) 620 - 9186. Ginny Dowd

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**Run, Pumpkin, Run**

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### Props

- Animal Masks
- Farmer’s Hat

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Pumpkin 1: I am a big fat pumpkin. I am getting scared because Halloween is coming, and I don’t want to be pumpkin pie!

Pumpkin 2: I am a big fat pumpkin, too. I am not one bit scared that Halloween is coming. I am the bravest pumpkin in the pumpkin patch!

Pumpkin 1 and 2 (pointing at the door): Oh, no! Here comes a chicken!

Pumpkin 1: I’m getting out of here! (Pumpkin 1 runs and hides in the audience.)

Pumpkin 2: I’m not afraid of any chicken! Hey, you big egg head! You can’t get me!
Chicken: I'll get that pumpkin and make him into pumpkin pie!

The chicken and the pumpkin run around and around.

Pumpkin 2 (pointing to the door): Hey, look! Here comes the farmer! He wants some barbecue chicken for dinner tonight! You're in trouble now!

Chicken: I don't want to be the farmer's dinner. I'm getting out of here! But boo hoo, no pumpkin pie for me! I guess I'll eat a seed pie.

Pumpkin 1 comes out of hiding and stands by pumpkin 2. Together they point at the door.

Pumpkin 1 and 2: Oh, no! Here comes a dog!

Pumpkin 1: I'm getting out of here! (Pumpkin 1 runs and hides in the audience.)

Pumpkin 2: I'm not afraid of any dog. Hey, you big bone head! You can't get me!

Dog: I'll get that pumpkin and make him into pumpkin pie!

The dog and the pumpkin run around and around.
Little Witches in Training

Cast Members
Teacher Witch
Little Witch in Training Number 1
Little Witch in Training Number 2
Little Girl    Little Boy

Props
3 Magic Wands       3 Witches’ Hats

Little Witch 1: I am so glad we are at spell school!

Little Witch 2: It is going to be a howling good time learning how to cast spells!

Teacher Witch (claps her hands together twice): Now little witches, always remember when you are casting a spell you must rhyme your words! Listen to this: Hocus pocus! Banana peel! Watch this little girl spin like a wheel. Zap!

Little Girl spins round and round and falls on the floor.

Teacher Witch: Listen to this: Abracadabra! Swimming pool! Help this boy spell
______________________________ School. (Write your school's name on the line.) Zap!

Little boy spells the school's name.

Teacher Witch: Now practice your spells. I will be back in a few minutes to check on you. Cackle! Cackle! (Teacher Witch leaves.)

Little Witch 1: OK, let me try! Hocus pocus! Little howl. Make this girl hoot like a...hmm, dog! Zap!

Little girl (barks four times): Does anyone have a bone?

Little Witch 1: Wait a minute! Let me try again! Hocus pocus! Little howl. Make this girl hoot like a...hmm, gorilla! Zap!

Little girl (beats her chest like a gorilla): Does anyone have a banana?

Little Witch 1: OK! OK! I will get it right this time! Hocus pocus! Little howl! Make this girl hoot like a...hmm, baby! Zap!

Little Girl (starts crying like a baby): It's time for my diaper change! Goo goo ga ga!
**This skit has five-acts. After each play the jolly goblins will come out and tell their jokes. Another option is to do the whole play at one time.**

**The Poem The Jolly Goblins is taken from Jack Prelutsky's poetry book It's Halloween.**

Act 1 (Goblin march out to the front of the stage.)
Narrator: Here come the jolly goblins!

Red Goblin: Red goblin!

Yellow Goblin: Yellow goblin!

Blue Goblin: Blue!

Green Goblin: And green!

All of the Goblins: We’re the funniest you have seen. Marching out along the street, knocking at your door! It looks to us like Halloween has come around once more! Whoooooopppeee! (Goblins jump up and down.)
Red Goblin: How can you make a skeleton laugh? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) Tickle her funny bone!

Yellow Goblin: Why didn’t the skeleton go inside the haunted house? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) She didn’t have the guts!

Blue Goblin: What do you call a skeleton that won’t do any work? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) A Lazy Bones!

Green Goblin: What instrument did the skeleton play? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) The Trom – Bone!

Act 2 (Goblins march out to the front of the stage.)
Narrator: Oh, no! Here come those jolly goblins again!

Red Goblin: What game do baby ghosts like to play? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) Peek- a - BOOOO!

Yellow Goblin: What happened when the little ghost fell off the witch’s broom? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) She got a BOOOO BOOOO!

Blue Goblin: How do baby ghosts keep their feet warm in the winter? Give up? (All other goblins answer: We give up!) They wear boocooties!
Sample of a Halloween Play Sequence

1. Jolly Goblins: Act 1
2. Song: The Ghost is Here to Play
3. Jolly Goblins Act Two
4. Poem: 5 Little Pumpkins
5. Play: Run, Pumpkin, Run
6. Song: I’m a Jack-o-Lantern
7. Jolly Goblins: Act 3
8. Play: Teeny Tiny
9. Song: Did You Ever See a Goblin?
10. Jolly Goblins: Act 4
11. The Magic Chant
Halloween Piggyback Songs

I'm a Jack-o-lantern
To the tune of "I'm a Little Teapot"
by Susan Olson Higgins

I'm a jack-o-lantern fat and fine
They picked me off of a pumpkin vine
Halloween is coming
Don't you know?
Light my candle and watch me glow!

The Ghost is Here to Play
To the tune of "The Farmer in the Dell"
by Susan Olson Higgins

The ghost is here to play ~ Boo!
The ghost is here to play ~ Boo!
High ho! It's Halloween!
The ghost is here to play! Boo!

The ghost picks a witch ~ Hee! Hee!
The ghost picks a witch ~ Hee! Hee!
High ho! It's Halloween!
The ghost picks a witch! Hee! Hee!

Additional verses...The witch picks a bat. Whoosh
The bat picks a cat. Meow! The cat picks you! Boo!
The True Story of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer

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Props
- Rudolph's Nose (mini-flashlight attached)
- Magic Wand
- Two Weights
- Elf Hats
- Reindeer Antlers

Elf 1: I don't know if you know this, but in the summer all the reindeer at the North Pole get just a little bit bored!

Elf 2: That's right! They still have six months to go until Christmas and all the reindeer games they play start to get a little old after a while!

Elf 3: We want to tell you the true story of Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer. It happened a long time ago! And it changed the way Santa delivered presents forever!

Elf 4: It was the summer of 1960. All the reindeer were trying to think of something to do! Dasher, Dancer, Prancer, Vixen, Comet, Cupid, Donner and Blitzen come prancing in. (Dasher is at
the front of the line. The other reindeer are lined up accordingly.)

Dasher: What are we going to do today? I'm bored!

Dancer: I know! Christmas is still 150 days away!

Prancer: I'm ready to fly now!

Vixen: We can't! You know what Santa says...

Comet (talking like a brat): Yeah, we have to save the magic for Christmas Eve. Ho – ho – ho.

Cupid: So what are we supposed to do?

Donner: Do you want to play some reindeer games?

Blitzen: Like what? I'm sick of playing hoofball.

Dasher: Well, why don't we go to Dancer's house and play on his Play Station?

Dancer: We can't. It broke and the elves are still trying to fix it. It's at Santa's workshop.

Prancer: What are we going to do?

Vixen: Let's ride some scooters.
Comet: We can’t. Those bike helmets won’t fit over our antlers!

Cupid: And you know how Santa is about safety!

Donner: What are we going to do?

All of the Reindeer: I don’t know.

Blitzen: Hey! I’ve got it! Let’s put on a talent show! Everyone go home right now and put together an act!

Rudolph (prancing in): Hey, can I be in your show?

All of the other Reindeer: NO!

Rudolph: Oh, why don’t I ever get to play in any reindeer games?

Dasher: Because you’re still in training! But we’ll let you be the announcer! Let’s go! We’ll meet back here in one hour to put on a Reindeer Show!

All the reindeer prance out.

Rudolph: Well maybe I can come up with my own special talent! (He prances off.)

Elf 1: So all of the reindeer pranced home.
Elf 2: They started practicing for the talent show.

Elf 3: They wanted it to be the best show the North Pole ever had!

Elf 4: And this is what happened:

Rudolph (Prancing out with his bright red nose): Let the Reindeer Talent Show Begin! My special nose will be the spotlight!

All of the reindeer prance in. They sit down with the audience.

Rudolph: Ladies and gentlemen, may I introduce Dasher.

Everyone claps.

Dasher: Hey, Rudolph, shine that light on me! I am going to run ten miles in less than ten seconds! On your mark! Get set! Go! (Dasher runs out of the classroom door and comes right back.) I am the fastest reindeer. Thank you!

Everyone claps.

Rudolph: Thank you, Dasher! That was amazing! Ten miles in ten seconds! You are so fast! Ladies and Gentlemen may I introduce Dancer.
Dancer: Hey, Rudolph, shine that light on me! Here is a special snow dance. (Dancer does the Macarena as she sings): I love flying high in the sky. I love flying high in the sky. I love flying high in the sky. Hey Merry Christmas!

Everyone claps.

Rudolph: Wow, Dancer! I loved that dance and that song! Now ladies and gentlemen may I introduce Prancer.

Everyone claps.

Prancer: Hey, Rudolph, shine that light on me! Do you know what my mother said after I opened the backdoor and my new puppy ran away? (Singing) Who let the dogs out? Who? Who? Who? (Sing it twice. All the reindeer sing with him second time.)

Everyone claps.

Rudolph: I know I didn’t let the dogs out! Ladies and gentlemen may I introduce Vixen.

Everyone claps.

Vixen: Hey, Rudolph, shine that light on me! Ok! Ok! Here’s a joke! What’s red and white, and red and white, and red and white all over? Do you give up?
**Santa Needs Help**

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A cup filled with ripped up white paper (Magic Snowflake dust)

Narrator: A long time ago Santa delivered all of his presents by running all around the world. By the end of the night his feet were so sore he would have over a thousand blisters.

Santa (running in with an empty toy bag): Ho – ho – ho! Ho – ho – ho! Ho – ho – ho! Ho – ho – OW! (Sitting down on the floor and rubbing his feet) Ow, my aching feet! I don’t think I can run around the world one more Christmas! Ow, my aching feet!

Narrator: So Santa went to his foot doctor. His foot doctor told him he was going to have to start walking, but Santa knew that he couldn’t get all of the presents delivered if he couldn’t run. Santa decided he needed help and this is what happened!

Santa: I have an idea. I want to find an animal that can fly in the sky and pull my sleigh. If I do, I would be able to deliver Christmas presents so much faster and my aching feet would be soooo happy.
Elf 1: Santa, how will you get the animals to fly?

Santa: I will use my magic snowflake dust! That will do the trick!

Elf 2: Why don’t I make a poster for you? We can hang it in the forest!

Elf 1: That way we can see what animals want to pull your sleigh. And you can see if they will do a good job for you!

Elf 1 and Elf 2 (looking to the audience): Santa has to be very picky you know!

Santa: Ho-ho-ho! That’s a great idea!

Elf 2 (brings in a sign): Here is the sign, Santa!

The elves read the sign:

Wanted:
An animal to help me pull my sleigh. I have magic snowflake dust to help you fly! If you are interested in the job come to my house at the North Pole.
Signed, Santa

Elf 1: Good luck, Santa! We’ll go hang this in the forest.

Narrator: A few days later there was a knock on the door.
Santa: Ho – ho – ho! Come in!

Pig: Hello, I want to apply for the flying animal job!

Santa: Let me see you fly! (Santa sprinkles magic dust on the pig.) Oh, magic snowflake dust, make this animal fly, way up high in the sky, sky, sky!

Pig (takes off flying): OK, here I go! Up, up, and away! Hey, I am flying! Hmmm! I am hungry. Santa, Could I stop at McDonald’s?

Santa: No!

Pig: How about Taco Bell?

Santa: No! No!

Pig: Pizza Hut?

Santa: No! No! No!

Pig: Kentucky Fried Chicken?

Santa: No! No! No! No! Pig, I can’t hire you! You are too hungry!

Pig: Oink, oink, oink! Boo hoo! I guess I’ll go get a slop sandwich! I’m starving. Sorry I can’t help you, Santa! (Pig leaves.)

There is a knock at the door.
Santa: Ho – ho – ho! Come in!

Skunk: Hello, I want to apply for the flying animal job!

Santa: Let me see you fly! (Santa sprinkles magic dust on the skunk.) Oh, magic snowflake dust, make this animal fly, way up high in the sky, sky, sky!

Skunk (takes off flying): OK, here I go! Up, up, and away! Hey I am flying! I am so excited I feel like spraying the whole world!

Skunk starts making a spraying sound.

Santa (passes out and then wakes up): Oh, holy stink bomb! Skunk, I can't hire you! You are too smelly!

Skunk: Boo hoo! I guess I'll ask for some perfume for Christmas and apply for the job again when I have a nicer scent! Good-bye Santa! (Skunk leaves.)

There is a knock at the door.

Santa: Ho – ho – ho! Come in!

Alligator: Hello, I want to apply for the flying animal job!

Santa: Let me see you fly! (Santa sprinkles magic dust on the alligator.) Oh, magic snowflake dust, make this animal fly, way up high in the sky, sky, sky!
Claude: It’s Christmas (Chanukah). Time for presents! Woof, woof, woof! I am soooo excited! Look, (pointing to the door) here comes my family!

Teddy: Merry Christmas (Happy Chanukah), Claude! Here is a new bone for you! You are such a good dog!

Claude: Thank you, Teddy! It looks delicious! Woof, woof!

Emily: Merry Christmas (Happy Chanukah), Claude! Here is a new blanket for you! I love you Claude!

Claude: Thank you, Emily! This will keep me snuggly warm on cold winter nights! I love you, too! Woof, woof!

Mom: Merry Christmas (Happy Chanukah), Claude!
Dad: Here’s a new teddy bear for you! You are the best dog ever!

Claude: Thank you mommy and daddy! I will sleep with my teddy every night! He is so cute! Woof, woof! And I have to agree. I do think I am the best dog ever! Woof, woof, woof!

Teddy: We love you, Claude!

Emily: We really do!

Mom: Come on, Claude!

Dad: It’s time for breakfast!

Claude: I’ll be there in just a minute! I love you! Woof, woof!

The family hugs Claude and goes off of the stage.

Claude: Oh, I just love my family and I LOVE all of my presents!

Boomer (coming in slowly, looking sad): Merry Christmas, (Happy Chanukah), Claude. What’s that you have?

Claude: It’s my new bone!
Boomer: I didn't get any Christmas (Chanukah) presents. I'm hungry! I haven't had a bone in weeks. Boo hoo! Woof.

Claude: Here Boomer, you can have mine!

Boomer (jumping up and down in an excited way): Thank you, Claude! Merry Christmas (Happy Chanukah)! (Boomer runs off.)

Scooter (coming in slowly, looking sad): Merry Christmas (Happy Chanukah), Claude. What's that you have?

Claude: It's my new blanket!

Scooter: Never had a blanket before! I didn't get any Christmas (Chanukah) presents. Boo hoo! Woof.

Claude: Here Scooter, you can have mine!

Scooter (jumping up and down in an excited way): Thank you, Claude! Merry Christmas (Happy Hanukkah)! (Scooter runs off.)

Rover (coming in slowly, looking sad): Merry Christmas (Happy Chanukah) Claude. What's that you have?

Claude: It's my new teddy!
The three little elves come tip toeing into the classroom.

Elf 1 (pointer finger to his or her lips): Shhhhhhh! Don’t tell anyone we are here!

Elf 2: We are watching kids at _______________ School to see if they are naughty or nice. (Fill in the blank with your school’s name.)

Elf 3: Santa wants us to try this new magic mistletoe. (All elves hold up their magic mistletoe.) Santa told us this magic mistletoe will help kids find the real meaning of Christmas!

Elf 1 (pointing to the door): Here come two boys!

Elf 2: I wonder if we will have to use our magic mistletoe.
Elf 3: Let's hide!

(Elves sit in the audience.)

Boy 1: I am going to get a new bike for Christmas!

Boy 2: So am I! I bet my bike will go faster than yours!

Boy 1: Oh, no it won't! I know my new bike will be faster than yours!

Boy 2: NO WAY!!!!!!!

(Both boys start arguing.)

Elves pop up.

Elf 1: Oh, no! They are fighting!

Elf 2: That's not the Christmas spirit!

Elf 3: Let's get the magic mistletoe! That should do the trick!

The elves run around the kids three times saying, "Kissy! Kissy! Kissy!" Then they sit back down in the audience.
Boy 1: Oh, my! I feel different! You know it doesn't matter whose bike is faster. As long as we're friends I don't care!

Boy 2: I feel different, too! I hope you get the best bike ever! You're my best friend!

(The boys put their arms around each other's shoulders and walk off! The elves pop up.)

Elf 1: It worked!

Elf 2: Our magic mistletoe did the trick!

Elf 3: It helped those boys see the true meaning of Christmas!

Elf 1 (pointing to the door): Look, here comes two girls!

Elf 2: I wonder if we will have to use our magic mistletoe again.

Elf 3: Let's hide!

(Elves sit with the audience.)

Girl 1: This lollipop is delicious! I'm glad I have another one I can eat when I'm finished with this one!
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Valentine Rhymes
Assign one student to recite a rhyme to the audience. The audience gets to guess the missing word.

Dear Frankenstein,
Roses are red. Frogs and toads are green.
When I look at you I want to ________.

Dear (Teacher’s name),
Roses are red. Elephants are gray.
Do we have to take a math test __________?

Dear Mouse,
Roses are red. Tulips are blue.
The kitty cat is hungry and wants to eat ________!

Dear (Principals name),
Roses are red. Ice cubes are cool.
You are the best principal at our __________.

Dear (Janitor’s name),
Roses are red. Violets are pink.
You keep our school spotless even the bathroom ________!

Dear Frog,
Roses are red. Cows are brown.
I saw you hopping all over our ____________!

Dear Mom,
Tulips are purple. Roses are red.
I love when you kiss me and tuck me in ________!
The Candy Monster

Cast Members
Candy Monster    Little Boy    Little Girl
Two Students

Props
Three Small Empty Boxes of Valentine Candy with the wrappers

Candy Monster: Oh! Goody! Goody! Oh! Yummy! Yummy! It’s Valentine’s Day, and I want candy for my tummy! Here comes a little boy. He’s got a treat. Will he share it with me? I want something to eat! Oh little boy, can I have a bite of your candy?

Little Boy: Sure. Happy Valentine’s Day! Have a piece take a bite. Candy is always a sweet treat delight!

Candy Monster: Oh, thank you so much. That was delicious. Could I have another one? Monster’s think candy is nutritious!

Little Boy: Sorry, I have to save some for my mom. I should go home and give her some!
Candy Monster: Wait! Look over there. ________ is doing the hula dance with ________!
(Fill in the blanks with two teachers’ names.)

Little Boy (looking the opposite way): I've got to see that!

Candy Monster gobbles up all of the candy.

Little Boy: You tricked me, mean Monster! Now what will I do? I'll never share any more candy with you!

Candy Monster: Happy Valentine’s Day!

Boy (leaves crying): Mommy! Mommy! A hungry monster ate all my Valentine’s Day candy!

Candy Monster: Oh! Goody! Goody! Oh! Yummy! Yummy! It’s Valentine’s Day, and I want candy for my tummy! Here comes a little girl. She’s got a treat. Will she share it with me? I want something to eat! Oh little girl, can I have a bite of your candy?

Little Girl: Sure. It’s Esther Price, the best candy in town! You can have a dark chocolate. I prefer the light brown! Happy Valentine’s Day!
Love Stinks

Adapted from the book by Mike Thayler

Cast Members
Snarvey Grooper      Dorris         Natalie Applebaum

Flower and Candy delivery person

Props
Candy  A Box of Valentine Candy  Two Telephones

Snarvey: Hi, my name is Snarvey Grooper. I'm in love with Natalie Applebaum.

Natalie: Hi, I'm Natalie Applebaum. Aren't I adorable?

Snarvey: I love her eyes.

Natalie: They are a pretty shade of brown aren't they?

Snarvey: I love her nose.

Natalie: Don't you love how little it is?

Snarvey: I love her ears.

Natalie: I never have any earwax. I am very clean, you know.

Snarvey: I love her hair.

Natalie: I comb it 100 times every day. It is so soft and shiny!

Snarvey (grabbing his heart): See what I mean. Isn't she perfect?
Snarvey: Natalie’s hair is so soft and shiny. I am going to pull her pony tail. I bet when I do she will know that I love her! Oh, Natalie! Come here! Yank! Yank! Yank!

Natalie: AHHH! That hurt! Why did you do that?

Snarvey: Maybe if I push her she will know that I love her! Oh, Natalie! Come here! Push! Push! Push!

Natalie: AHHH! That hurt! Why did you do that?

Snarvey: Maybe I will tell her on the phone! Ring! Ring! Ring! Ring! Hello Natalie! Ha, ha, ha! Ha, ha, ha! I… I… I am so embarrassed! Hee, hee, hee! Ha, ha, ha!

Natalie: Who is this? I am hanging up!

Snarvey: I know! I’ll send her flowers. That way she will KNOW that I love her! Let me call the flower shop. Ring, Ring. Hello, please send a dozen red roses to Natalie Applebaum!

Flower Delivery Man: Right away! Knock, knock, knock! Flower delivery for Natalie Applebaum.

Natalie: Flowers? I’m allergic! Achoo! Achoo! Achoo! Take them away!

Snarvey: I know! I will send her candy. That way she will DEFINITELY know I love her! Let me call the candy shop. Ring, Ring. Hello, please send a box of chocolates to Natalie Applebaum!
The Queen of Hearts: Hi! I am the Queen of Hearts and I love love! Do you? But when I look around the world there just doesn't seem to be enough love! I have asked my royal subjects to come up with a magic potion that will help people love each other!

There’s a knock at the door.

Man 1 (bows): Your majesty, I have been working on a magic potion for love and I think I have it!

Queen of Hearts: Oh goody, goody! Show me! Show me! Here is my royal cook. Try it on him!

Royal Cook (bows): Your Majesty! I am at your service!
Man 1: Hocus-pocus chug, chug, chug. Drink my potion, and fall in love like a little bug!

The Royal Cook drinks the potion and starts buzzing around the stage and stinging the royal subject and the queen.

Queen of Hearts: You call that a love potion! Get out of here or else I will call my royal guards!

Man 1 (running off of the stage): I'm getting out of here!

There is a knock at the door.

Lady 1 (curtsies): Your majesty, I have been working on a magic potion for love and I think I have it!

Queen of Hearts: Oh goody, goody! Show me! Show me! Here is my royal cook. Try it on him!

Royal Cook (bows): Your Majesty! I am at your service!

Lady 1: Watch my hand spin round and round. Drink my potion, and true love will be found!
The Royal Cook drinks the magic potion and starts spinning around and around until he falls to the ground.

Queen of Hearts: You call that a love potion! Get out of here or else I will call my royal guards!

Lady 1 (running off of the stage): I’m getting out of here!

There is a knock at the door.

Man 2 (bows): Your majesty, I have been working on a magic potion for love and I think I have it!

Queen of Hearts: Oh goody, goody! Show me! Show me! Here is my royal cook. Try it on him!

Royal Cook (bows): Your Majesty! I am at your service!

Man 2: Feather of a bird. Beautiful wing. Drink my potion and watch love sing!

The Royal Cook drinks the magic potion and starts singing a love song. It sounds terrible.

Queen of Hearts: You call that a love potion! Get out of here or else I will call my royal guards!
Sample Valentine Play Schedule

1. Play: The Kissing Bandit

2. Song: L is for the Way You Look at Me

3. Valentine Rhymes

4. Play: The Candy Monster

5. Play: Love Stinks

6. Song: I’m Not Gonna Be Your Valentine

7. Play: The Queen of Hearts

8. Song: One, Two, Three. Who Will It Be?
One, Two, Three

One, two, three! Who will it be?
Who will be my Valentine?
One, two, three!

Four, five, six! Who will I pick?
Who will be my Valentine?
Four, five, six!

Seven, eight, nine! Will you be mine?
Will you be my Valentine?
Seven, eight, nine!

Well, will you?

L is for the Way You Look at Me

L- is for the way you look at me.
O – is for the only one I see.
V – is very, very extraordinary.
E – is even more than anyone that I adore
AND THAT’S LOVE!
Mother, Mother, I Want Another!
Adapted from the book by Maria Polushkin

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Mother Mouse: Oh, my little baby. It’s time to go to sleep. Let me tuck you in! Here is a goodnight kiss. I love you! Sleep tight.

(Baby mouse lies down on the floor with his head on a pillow. Mother Mouse covers him with a blanket.)

Baby Mouse: Goodnight, mommy! Squeak! Squeak!

Mother Mouse (kisses Baby Mouse again and leaves the room): Sweet dreams!

Baby Mouse (sits up in bed): Mother, Mother! I want another.
Mother Mouse: What? What’s that? My baby wants another. Another MOTHER! Oh, no! (Mother mouse runs to the door.) Mrs. Lion, Mrs. Lion, come quick! My baby wants another mother.

Mrs. Lion: He does? Well, I don’t know much about mice, but I can try. Little Mousy, let me sing you a lion song. (Mrs. Lion sings “Three Blind Mice”.) ROAR!

Baby Mouse: Whaaaaaa! That’s too scary!

Mother Mouse: Mrs. Lion, you can’t be the new mother for my son. Every time you sang him a song you would scare the squeak right out of him! I’m so sorry!

Mrs. Lion: That’s all right. He didn’t appreciate good music anyway!

Baby Mouse: Mother, Mother! I want another.

Mother Mouse: What? What’s that? My baby wants another. Another MOTHER! Oh, no! (Mother Mouse runs to the door.) Mrs. Rabbit, Mrs. Rabbit, come quick! My baby wants another mother.
Mrs. Rabbit (hops in the door): He does? Well, I don't know much about mice, but I can try. Little Mousy, let me give you a late night snack. Here eat this carrot cake. It will put you right to sleep. (She hands the baby mouse a plate with a picture of the carrot cake on it.)

Baby Mouse (takes a bite): Squeak! Squeak! YUCK! I would much rather nibble on cheesecake!

Mother Mouse: Mice can't digest carrots very well! Mrs. Rabbit, I'm afraid you won't do.

Mrs. Rabbit: That's all right. I didn't think he would be very "hoppy" with me anyway!

Baby Mouse: Mother, mother! I want another.

Mother Mouse: What? What's that? My baby wants another. Another MOTHER! Oh, no! (Mother Mouse runs to the door.) Mrs. Dog, Mrs. Dog, come quick! My baby wants another mother.

Mrs. Dog: He does? Well, I don't know much about mice, but I can try. Let me tell you a bedtime story. Once there was this mean cat. She was sly and had sharp claws! I wanted to teach her a
**Are You My Mother?**

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Mommy Bird (sitting on an egg singing): Soon I’ll be a mommy as happy as can be. When my egg hatches and I see my little birdie, I’ll hug him and feed him and tuck him in bed. When he is sleeping I’ll kiss him on the head!

Mommy Bird (talking in a regular voice): Oh, I can’t wait until my egg hatches. It’s going to be so much fun being a mother bird! It seems like I have been waiting forever! MMMM, I’m so hungry. I don’t think it will be a problem to fly to the garden and get some worms for a delicious worm stew. (Kissing the egg, she flies off.) Be back soon my little egg!

Mother bird flies off and suddenly the egg starts to crack. Out pops the baby bird.

Baby Bird (stretching and tweeting): Oh, so this is what the world looks like! What an interesting place!
Mom, I'm here! I want to see you! I need you! Mom? Mommy? Mamma? Where's my mother? Wahhh! Wahhh! I want my mommy!

A porcupine walks by.

Porcupine: What's the matter, little bird?

Baby Bird: I can't find my mommy. I don't have a mother. Who is going to hug me? Wahhh! Wahhh! Tweet! Tweet!

Porcupine: Well I am just the mom for you. I can hug you and make you feel safe and secure. Come here.

Baby Bird: You would do that for me? Thank you porcupine! Thank you! Tweet! Tweet!

Porcupine starts hugging baby bird. Baby bird screams loudly.

Baby Bird: I know you mean well porcupine, but if you hugged me every day like that I wouldn't have any feathers left. You are not the mom for me. Wahhh! Wahhh!

Porcupine: Well if you change your mind, you know where to find me! Good-bye little bird. (The
porcupine tries to hug little bird again, but little bird jumps back and shakes his head.)

Baby Bird: Where's my mommy? Wahhh! Wahhh!

A dog walks by.

Dog: What's the matter, little bird?

Baby Bird: I can't find my mommy. I don't have a mother! Who is going to sing me to sleep at night? Wahhh! Wahhh! Tweet! Tweet!

Dog: I think I am just the mom for you! I can sing you to sleep each night. I must say I have a divine voice! Let me show you.

Baby Bird: You would do that for me? Thank you, dog! Thank you! Tweet! Tweet!

Dog starts barking the song *Rock-a-Bye Baby*.

Baby bird (covering up his ears): Oh, my! I am not trying to be mean, but that lullaby sounds like you have a tummy ache! If I listened to that every night my eardrums would break! I am sorry, dog. You are not the mom for me.

Dog: Well I could get you some earplugs.
Little Bird: I don’t think I could get them in my ears.
(Whispering to the audience) Really could you stand to hear him sing every night?

Dog: Some animals just don’t appreciate good music! Good luck, little bird!

Baby Bird: Where’s my mommy? Wahhh! Wahhh!

A kangaroo hops in.

Kangaroo: What’s the matter, little bird?

Little bird: I can’t find my mommy. I don’t have a mother! Who is going to rock me to sleep at night? Wahhh! Wahhh! Tweet! Tweet!

Kangaroo: Well I think I am just the mom for you! Hop in, and I will rock you to sleep.

Baby Bird: You would do that for me? Thank you, kangaroo. Thank you! Tweet! Tweet!

Kangaroo holds on to the baby bird and starts hopping all around like crazy!

Baby Bird: Help me! Help me! I am getting seasick, and I have never even been in a boat before! I know you mean well kangaroo, but your rocking makes me
Sometimes I Drive My Mom Crazy

Cast Members
7 students

Props
7 halos made out of pipe cleaners

Student 1: Sometimes I drive my mom CRAZY!

Group: We all do!

Student 2: Like when I don’t go to bed at night.

Group (kneeling on the ground, begging):
Please mom! Just five more minutes!

Student 3: Or when I fight with my brothers and sisters.

Group: Mom, it wasn’t my fault! I’m an angel!
(Students hold halos made out of pipe cleaners above their heads.)

Student 4: Or if I act a little wacko!
Honey Bunnies
Adapted from the book Guess How Much I Love You? by Sam McBratney

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Narrator: One morning three little honey bunnies were getting ready for school.

(Mother Rabbit is making breakfast. The three little bunnies come hopping onto the stage wearing their book bags. As each bunny says good morning, mother rabbit gives it a carrot for breakfast. Once they stop hopping, they take their book bags off and sit in a chair.)

Honey Bunny 1 (blowing a kiss): Good morning, mother.

Mother Rabbit: Good morning, Honey Bunny.

Honey Bunny 2 (blowing a kiss): Good morning, mother.

Mother Rabbit: Good morning, Honey Bunny.
Honey Bunny 3 (blowing a kiss): Good morning, mother.

Mother Rabbit: Good Morning, Honey Bunny!

Honey Bunny 1: Mamma, guess how much I love you?

Mother Rabbit: I don’t think I can guess that!

Honey Bunny 1 (stretching his arms out to the side of his body): This much!

Mother Rabbit (stretching her arms out to the side as wide as they will go): Well, I love you this much!

Honey Bunny 1: Wow! That’s a lot!

Mother Rabbit: Yes it is!

Honey Bunny 2: Mamma, guess how much I love you?

Mother Rabbit: I don’t think I can guess that!

Honey Bunny 2 (stretching his arms high in the air): I love you as high as I can reach!

Mother Rabbit (stretching her arms high in the air and standing on her tiptoes): Well, I love you as high as I can reach!
Sample of a Mother’s Day Play Schedule

1. Song: You are My Mother
2. Mother’s Day Welcome
3. The Secret Message
4. Play: Guess How Much I Love You?
5. Song: Three Kisses for My Mother
6. Play: Fairy Godmothers
7. Sometimes I Drive My Mom Crazy
8. Song: Sometimes Mom Says Don’t Do This
9. Play: Are You My Mother
10. Song: I’ve Been Cleaning Up My Bedroom
11. Play: Mr. Clean
12. Song: Take Me Out of the Bathtub
13. Mother’s Day Cheer
14. A Message to Our Moms
**Mom Says**
To the tune of: Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star
by Becky Velenick

Sometimes Mom says, "Don't do this."
Sometimes Mom says, "Don't do that."
She still loves me that I know. Why because she tells me so.
Sometimes Moms says, "Let's do this!"
Sometimes Moms says, "Kiss, kiss, kiss!"

**Three Kisses for My Mother**
To the tune of: Did you Ever See a Lassie?
by Betty Silkunas

Three kisses for my Mother, my mother, my Mother!
Three kisses for my Mother, it’s her special day!

My Mom is a great mom, a great mom, a great mom!
My Mom is a great mom! It’s her special day

I really love my Mother, my Mother, my Mother!
I really love my Mother!
It’s her special day!