



Mime the Story

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The best part of this game is that you can do this with any story you have at home!

HOW IT WORKS

Find a space big enough for the children to be able to move around, they'll be using their bodies for this one!

The narrator will be reading out the story while the actor/s will be acting out the story in mime. The narrator will read a small section of the story to give time to the actor/s to act out that part.

Attached is a short story you can use, which your child can add an ending to if they want or feel free to use your own.

Alternatively you can use the attached audio so your child can work on their own performance to present to you. Also, if you'd like to send us a video of your amazing mime performance feel free!

Rules

1. The actors can't speak, they have to use their bodies and excellent expressions to tell the story
2. If there is more than one actor, they can point at each other to decide who will play which part
3. Sound effects and props can be used if easily accessible



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The Story

Miss Blue was feeling very sleepy. She yawned widely, rubbed her eyes and got herself ready to leave her toy shop. She put her coat on, and just before opening the door had a quick look around to make sure everything was okay, picked up her umbrella and her bag and turned off the lights. She walked out the door, turned around and locked it.

It was very dark in the shop, the only thing lighting it up was the street lamp outside. On the shelf near the window sat a giant teddy with its soft big paws by its side with its floppy head resting on the window. A beautiful vintage dolly was laying down in a posh toy pram, wrapped up in a cosy blanket. The light of the lamp showed in the middle of the room a big, colourful chest of toys. The lid of the toy box all of a sudden started opening, squeaking and creaking, when three toy soldiers jumped out. They looked side to side, then shouted up to the rest of the toys "the coast is clear, she has gone home!" making gestures for the toys to come out. The rest of the toy soldiers came out first, they saluted their friend and marched away. Then came the tank and the plane driven by action hero toys, the tank came rolling through and the plane flew around the roof. The Action hero jumped out of the plane and landed in a fighting pose. Next came some wobbly wobbly slinkies flopping all over the place. Slowly all the toys came out to play, the race cars came out zooming, dashing and lapping around the room; The ballerina doll, leaped out and twirled in a pirouette; the clown figurine, tripped and fell out of the box and squeaked his red nose and lastly all the soft and cuddly teddies came out holding lots and lots of lego bricks moving like an astronaut in space, walking slowly. They all sat down in a big group waiting patiently. Then the big teddy on the shelf climbed down from the shelf, holding on to the edge until it was brave enough to let go and landed on its bottom, then the dolly took off her blanket, climbed down the side of the pram, slid down the wheel and jumped to the floor. When all the toys were ready, the captain toy soldier cleared its throat "ahem", then clapped. All the toys looked up and the soldier said "Now everyone is hear, let's talk about the mission for tonight!"