

USING WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THE CHARACTERS IN THE STORY READ THE FOLLOWING PASSAGE OUT LOUD WITH TO YOUR CLASS.

USE YOUR VOICE, BODY, AND IMAGINATION TO BRING IT TO LIFE!



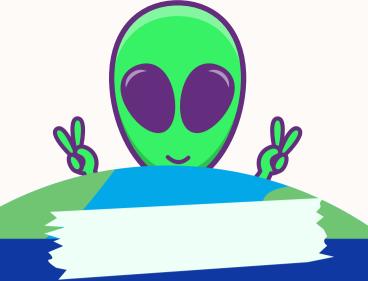




MS. FRIZZLE:

YOUNG SCIENTISTS, IT'S TIME TO COME UP WITH THE IDEA FOR YOUR FOUND PROJECT - AN IDEA YOU CAN ALL CAN BE PROUD OF. AND WHAT BETTER PLACE TO LEARN ABOUT THE PLANETS THEMSELVES? COME COME MY RAYS OF SUNSHINE... BE BRILLIANT.





PARTNER UP & ACT IT OUT!

USING WHAT YOU KNOW ABOUT THE CHARACTERS IN THE STORY. PICK A SCENE AND READ IT OUT LOUD WITH A PARTNER.

USE YOUR VOICE, BODY, AND IMAGINATION TO TO EMBODY THE CHARACTERS AND BRING THEM TO LIFE!





SCENE 1:
CHARACTERS: ARNOLD, MS FIZZEL, WANDA AND JANET

SETTING: IN THE CLASSROOM

MOMENT BEFORE:

START

ARNOLD

MS. FRIZZLE, MS. FRIZZLE! WHAT MAGIC SURPRISES ARE IN STORE FOR US THIS YEAR?

MS. FRIZZLE

INNUMERABLE, ARNOLD. STARTING WITH OUR NEW CLASSMATE WHO WILL BE JOINING FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR!

MANDA

A NEW CLASSMATE?! IS IT AN ALIEN?

RALPHIE

IS IT A GIRL?

CARLOS

(HOPEFUL)

IS IT AN ALIEN GIRL?

ARNOLD

WHOEVER IT IS, WE PROMISE TO TREAT THEM WITH THE UTMOST KINDNESS, RESPECT, AND HOSPITALI…

MS. FRIZZLE

ARNOLD'S COUSIN, JANET!

ARNOLD

(AGHAST SLOW-MO VOICE)

..NOOOOOOO.

(JANET ENTERS, ACTING LIKE A MONSTER. EVERYONE ENTERS A STATE OF SUSPENDED ANIMATION, EXCEPT FOR ARNOLD, WHOSE LIFE IS OVER.)

JANET

(UNCTUOUS AS ALL HECK)

GREETINGS, COUSIN ARNOLD. TO THINK, AFTER AN ENTIRE SUMMER OF LEARNING FROM ME, NOW YOU GET AN ENTIRE SCHOOL YEAR OF LEARNING FROM ME. AREN'T YOU SO LUCKY TO HAVE ME IN YOUR LIFE?

END



SCENE 2: CHARACTERS: ARNOLD, MS FIZZEL, WANDA CARLOS, RALPHIE AND JANET

SETTING: ON THE MAGIC SCHOOL BUS

MOMENT BEFORE: THEY JUST ARRIVED TO THEIR FIRST PLANET

START

MS. FRIZZLE

GRAVITATIONAL FORCE ACTIVATED!

CARLOS

(ON THE GROUND)

OOF. IT GOT HEAVY IN HERE.

JANET

AND HOT. WE MUST BE APPROACHING THE SUN.

MS. FRIZZLE

WE ARE INDEED. VERY GOOD. JANET.

ARNOLD

DID YOU KNOW THE SUN GIVES THE HEAT AND LIGHT THAT POWERS EARTH?

JANET

ACTUALLY, IT POWERS THE ENTIRE SOLAR SYSTEM. IS THAT WHAT YOU MEANT, **COUSIN ARNOLD?**

ARNOLD

(FRUSTRATED THROAT NOISE)

NGH.

WANDA

HOW HOT IS THE SUN?

ARNOLD

TEN MILLION DEGREES.

JANET

ACTUALLY IT'S FIFTEEN MILLION.

CARLOS/WANDA/RALPHIE

FIFTEEN MILLION?!

JANET

AREN'T FACTS AMAZING, CONSTRUCTOR ARNOLD?

ARNOLD

(MORE FRUSTRATED THROAT NOISE)



SCENE 3: CHARACTERS: WANDA AND CARLOS

SETTING: ON THE PLANET MARS

MOMENT BEFORE: WANDA AND CARLOS ARE SEARCHING THE PLANET FOR MARTIANS

START

CARLOS

MY INSTRUMENT CAN'T FIND ANY LIQUID WATER.

WANDA

DON'T SAY IT ...

CARLOS

AND WITHOUT LIQUID WATER...

WANDA

DON'T SAY IT...

CARLOS

THERE CAN'T BE LIFE.

MANDA

DAGGER! IT WAS ALL WE EVER WANTED!

CARLOS

ALL YOU EVER WANTED.

MANDA

WHADDAYOU MEAN?

CARLOS

I WAS HAPPY BEFORE WE LIKED ALIENS. BACK WHEN WE LIKED LAME JOKES.

WANDA

BUT WE DON'T LIKE LAME JOKES ANYMORE!

CARLOS

WELL I DO LIKE THEM, WANDA, AND IF YOU EVER ASKED WHAT I WANTED, YOU'D KNOW THAT!



