

SHORT PLAY COLLECTIONS



PLEASE TURN OFF YOUR AUDIENCE

NEW

"Tonight we're seeing Shakespeare in potato sacks and bowler hats."

Werner Trieschmann 8 M, 8 F, 15 flex, extras
(Doubling: 3 M, 4 F, 9 flex, opt. ext) 45-60 mins, 49 pgs

COMEDY. There's plenty of theatre drama and laughs in this side-splitting collection of four short plays. In "Please Turn Off Your Audience," rebellious audience members reject all rules of theater etiquette. In "Saturday Night Stage," two radio broadcasters provide ridiculous play-by-play commentary on a student production of *Romeo and Juliet*. In "Ushered," two militant ushers harass theatre-goers as they try to gain admittance to a children's play. And in "Boo Me!" an actress begs the audience to stop giving standing ovations during a horrendous student performance. Suitable for middle schools, high schools, and community theatres. Easy to stage with just one simple set for all four plays. Plays may be performed individually, if desired. **Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance**

Play Pack \$376 (34 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

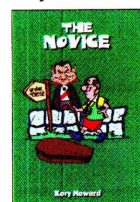


IT HAPPENED ONE SUMMER

Steven Stack 4 M, 7 F, 4 flexible (Doubling: 1 M, 2 F, 2 flexible) 60 mins, 54 pgs.

FARCE. Enjoy summer silliness in this collection of 4 short plays. In "Ketchup Sweats," Berkley must rethink his favorite food, ketchup. In "Hot Enough to Fry an Egg," a pun-loving egg is egg-napped by a foul fowl. In "The Last Day of Summer," Freddy tries to convince his girlfriend that he is a jerk. In "The Kiddie Pool Massacre," a girl conducts a kiddie-pool murder investigation. **Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance**

Play Pack \$249 (18 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



THE NOVICE

"I sense something is wrong..."

Kory Howard 2 M, 2 F, 14 flex Doubling: 2 M, 1 F, 6 flex 33 pgs, 30 mins.

FARCE. In these 2 short plays, mankind's fate lies in the hands of novices. In "The Novice Pilot," a copilot, with a fear of flying, is forced to fly the plane when the pilot has a heart attack. In "I am Baron Von Drake-ula!" a washed-up actor looking to retire his role as "the greatest unknown vampire in the world" meets his perfect replacement. **Script \$6.95 Prompt Book \$13 Royalty \$60/performance**

Play Pack \$249 (21 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Fixer-Upper

"Don't want to wake the president unless we have to..."

Paul DiLella 1 M, 1 F, 6 flex (Doubling: 1 M, 1 F) 30 mins, 27 pgs.

FARCE. Three short plays. In "Fixer-Upper," a Realtor doesn't want to go back to teaching. In "Blind Date," two seeing-eye dogs watch as their blind owners go on a blind date. In "Don't Wake the President," White House aides decide which major event warrants waking the President. **Script \$6.95 Prompt \$13 Royalty \$60/performance**

Play Pack \$179 (11 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



WOMAN HOLDING a LEASH

"Mother, do you think, maybe, I could get a longer leash?"

Clint Snyder 3 M, 7 F (Doubling: 1 M, 5 F) 40 mins, 37 pgs.

FARCE. Three short plays. In "Woman Holding a Leash," an adult son asks his mother for a longer leash. In "Girl's Little Daddy," a father visits his daughter in prison. In "Amazon Nation," visitors view the last man on earth and learn an ancient form of English called "nagging." **Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance**

Play Pack \$209 (13 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



4 in a Loo

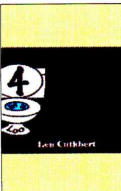
"This sounds more exciting than streptococcal infectious flesh-eating disease."

Len Cuthbert

5 M, 1 F, 5 flex or 1 M, 5 F, 5 flex Doubling: 4 M or 4 F 45 mins, 41 pgs.

COMEDY. Four short plays. In "Jack's Dilemma," Jack tries to make amends with his friend. In "Shannon is Gone," a groom makes his abusive bride disappear. In "Death by Dyslexia," a dyslexic hit man goes to the wrong house. In "4 in a Loo," college students fight for the bathroom.

Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance
Play Pack \$217 (14 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



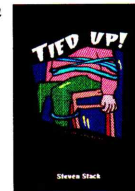


TIED UP!

"I've known many ghosts, and none of them have looked like a sheet."

Steven Stack 3 M, 9 F, 1 flex (Doubling: 2 M, 3 F) 45 mins, 43 pgs.

FARCE. The characters in this short play collection find themselves hopelessly stuck in absurd situations. In "Squatters' Rights," a teenager tries to rid herself of two ghosts who think it's hilarious for real ghosts to wear sheets. In "Bessie Brooks and Tommy Snooks," two nursery rhyme characters update their boring nursery rhyme by going off-script. In "Mumford E. Squirrel in 'How to Ask a Girl Out,'" a boy who has difficulty talking to girls calls upon his guardian squirrel to help him woo a girl. And in "Tied Up," a woman who is about to be run over by a train tries to convince a passerby to untie her. **Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance Play Pack \$233** (16 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

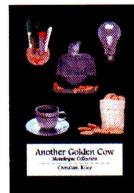


IS THIS SEAT TAKEN?

"No one likes those people who talk a lot."

Lavinia Roberts 1 F, 9 flex (Doubling poss.) 30 mins, 46 pgs.

COMEDY. This monologue collection features a myriad of socially awkward characters. There's the new kid who has a tendency to talk too much, a teen who thinks her messy bedroom is an organizational system, and an art student who turns in a blank piece of paper as her self-portrait. **Script \$6.95 Prompt \$13 Royalty \$60/performance Play Pack \$193** (13 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Another Golden Cow

"...the new math teacher threatened to prick her index finger and grade with that since we are out of red pens."

Christian Kiley 1 M, 3 F, 6 flexible (Doubling possible.) 30 mins, 45 pgs.

COMEDY. These 10 monologues feature truly memorable characters including a crime scene investigator who poses as a substitute teacher, a small town resident who drinks too many frappuccinos, and a frustrated teacher who desperately needs red pens, grade books, and light bulbs. **Script \$6.95 Prompt Book \$13 Royalty \$60/performance Play Pack \$193** (13 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



BEST FRIENDS...FOR NOW

"Oh, sure, blame the person who did it."

Steven Stack 1M, 12 F (Doubling: 1 M, 3 F) 35 mins, 34 pgs.

FARCE. In "Breaking Up is Hard to Do," two teens decide to break up with their BFF because she died and turned into a zombie. In "Ferns," three girls seek vengeance on a boy who has done them wrong. In "Glass of Water," a girl dumps her best friend because she didn't guard a glass of water properly. And in "The Island," three BFFs are stranded together on a desert island. **Script \$6.95 Prompt \$13 Royalty \$60/performance Play Pack \$214** (16 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Casting the Bard

"As if teaching high school drama wasn't torture enough."

Ed Vela 3 M, 3 F, 5 flex (Doubling: 2 M, 1 F, 2 flex) 45 mins, 38 pgs.

COMEDY. A humorous behind-the-scenes look at theater! In "Casting the Bard," drama teachers have to cast the role of Puck in *A Midsummer Night's Dream* but they only have three students to choose from. In "Just a Few Brief Notes..." the director of a production of *Tom Sawyer* struggles to direct a surfer cast as Huck and an uptight Tom Sawyer. And in "The Art of Compromise," a playwright battles with an avant-garde director. **Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance Play Pack \$217** (14 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



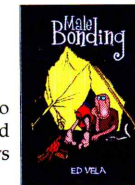
Male Bonding

"I guess there are some things men just have to stick together on."

Ed Vela 5 M (Doubling: 2 M) 30 mins, 25 pgs.

COMEDY. In "Male Bonding," a mother sends her husband and son into the wilds to bond. In "Loathe Letters," a deli owner sends his son to camp to toughen him up. And in "Lying to Mom as an Art Form," a father recounts his first camping trip and vows never to inflict the same torture on his sons.

Script \$6.95 Prompt Book \$13 Royalty \$60/performance Play Pack \$159 (8 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



YOU'RE ALWAYS A STAR AT BIG DOG!

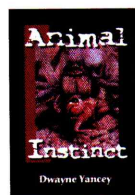
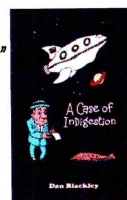




A Case of Indigestion

*"This is called a 'cafetorium'...
a pseudo theatre/cafeteria/multi-useless room."*

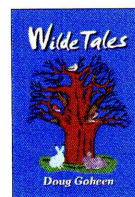
Dan Blackley 13 M, 11 F, 10 flex (Doubling: 7 M, 5 F, 4 flex) 50 pgs, 45-60 mins
SPOOF. These 3 short plays spoof American classics including *Old Yeller*, film noir movies, and "Star Trek." In "Doggone It," a heartfelt novel about a boy and a stray dog has been cut to 20 minutes due to the short attention span of today's youth. In "A Case of Indigestion," an investigator on the hunt for a femme fatale's missing boyfriend ends up with two corpses, no dinner, and a stinky fish. In "The Prom Directive," the U.S.S. Enterprising crew organizes a prom to bring peace to Auditoriumus, a planet resembling 1980s Earth inhabited by teen aliens. Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$400 (37 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Animal Instinct

"We're about to run off a cliff headfirst into the ocean, and you're asking what's wrong?"

Dwayne Yancey 8 M, 10 F, 3 flex (Doubling: 4 M, 4 F) 75 mins, 58 pgs.
FARCE. These short plays offers a comical look at death. In "Lemmings," lemmings discuss how to jump off a cliff. In "Chicken," hungry characters debate whether to eat a nonexistent chicken. In "Praying Mantis," Amy bites the head off her boyfriend. In "Spiders," arachnids plot revenge against humans. And in "Buzzards," two cowboys must find a way to kill hungry buzzards before the birds make a quick meal of them. Script \$8.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$75/perf
Play Pack \$336 (24 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Wilde Tales

"When I was alive and had a human heart, I did not know what tears were, for where I lived, sorrow was not allowed to enter."

Doug Goheen 7 M, 7 F, 25 flex (Doubling: 4 M, 3 F, 15 flex) 60 mins, 47 pgs.
CLASSIC. Adapted from tales by Oscar Wilde. In "The Nightingale and the Rose," a poor man must find a rose to dance with a princess at the ball. In "The Happy Prince," the statue of a prince comes to life. And in "The Star-Child," a woodcutter rescues an infant. Script \$7.95 Prompt \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$440 (42 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

The End of Ever After

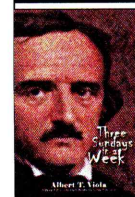
"Even though I couldn't blow your brick house down, it doesn't mean you don't need flood insurance!"

Steven Stack 5 M, 6 F, 4 flex (Doubling: 2 M, 2 F, 1 flex) 60 mins, 47 pgs.
FARCE. The characters in these short plays have reached the end of their happily ever after! In "The Ravens," a girl is visited by annoying ravens. In "The Break-Up," Dylan discovers his girlfriend is in love with his identical twin. In "The Golden Arm Returns to Whom it Originally Belonged," a ghost helps Jamie and Sal find love in a spiritual way. And in "Home Insurance," a vegetarian wolf meets Little Red Riding Hood. Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$249 (18 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



THE TELL-TALE HEART

Albert T. Viola 1 M, 1 F, 8 flex (Doubling: 1 M, 1 F, 2 flex) 60 mins, 41 pgs.
HORROR. Adapted from Edgar Allan Poe's stories. In "The Black Cat," a prisoner confesses to killing his pet. In "The Raven," an author laments the death of his true love when he is visited by a raven. In "The Tell-Tale Heart," a murderer hears his victim's heartbeat. Script \$7.95 Prompt \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$209 (13 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Three Sundays in a Week

Albert T. Viola 14 M, 14 F, 10 flexible (Doubling possible.) 60 mins, 49 pgs.
FARCE. Adapted from Edgar Allan Poe's stories. In "Some Words With a Mummy," scientists bring a mummy back to life and find out he is unimpressed with modern life. In "Three Sundays in a Week," a young couple must solve a riddle before they can get married. And in "Lionizing," Thomas falls in love with his own nose. Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$432 (41 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

Perform both Edgar Allan Poe collections to combine a little horror and humor for a full evening.

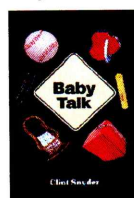


Bathroom Break

*"Hashtag, not really
sure what I'm doing
here, but oh well."*



Kory Howard 6 M, 6 F, 7 flexible (Doubling: 3 M, 3 F) 60 mins, 58 pgs.
COMEDY. Everyone needs a break in this comically chaotic collection of four short plays. In "Addicts Anonymous," five people attend an Addicts Anonymous meeting, but it's not for drug or alcohol abuse—it's for technology junkies. In "As You Wish," a couple takes turns wishing on shooting stars only to discover that their outrageous wishes actually come true. In "The Great Pompachelli," a "love expert" helps a lonely guy woo the girl of his dreams with famous movie lines. And in "Bathroom Break," a mother yearning for some time to herself has to lock herself in the bathroom to get a break from her needy husband and teenagers. Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$281 (22 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Baby Talk

*"Babies wear diapers.
I'm wearing an adult fecal depository."*



Clint Snyder 3 M, 6 F (Doubling: 1 M, 4 F) 30 mins, 33 pgs.
FARCE. The characters in this madcap collection have quite a bit of growing up to do. In "Baby Talk," Dilly shows up at a childbirth class ready to show "sexist Stone Age women" that a man can do anything a woman can do. In "Grown-ups," a job seeker who sucks her thumb interviews for a job. And in "Zombie in a Cooler," a frightened baseball player captures a "zombie" and holds it captive in a large cooler. Script \$6.95 Prompt Book \$13 Royalty \$60/performance
Play Pack \$186 (12 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

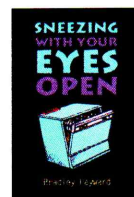


Zero to Love in 6.5 Seconds

Christian Kiley 15 M, 10 F, 1 flex (Doubling: 5 M, 5 F) 45 mins, 46 pg
COMEDY. With the use of an electric man-zapper, a therapist tries to help four men overcome their fear of women in "Planet Male." In "Zero to Love in 6.5 Seconds," 10 individuals discover the horrors of speed-dating. And in "New Parent Boot Camp," an overzealous parenting coach teaches her unsuspecting husband a lesson. Script \$7.95 Prompt \$16 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$337 (29 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Short Play Collections



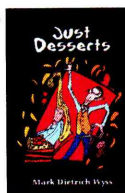
SNEEZING WITH YOUR EYES OPEN

Bradley Hayward 5 M, 3 F (Doubling: 3 M, 1 F) 30 mins, 29 pgs.
COMEDY. This collection of three short plays features zany characters looking for love. In "Cutlery," a wife and husband argue over how to place the knives in the dishwasher. In "The Yogurt Connection," a man and woman find love in the dairy section of a supermarket. And in "The Dead Body Play," a love triangle goes very, very wrong. Script \$6.95 Prompt \$13 Royalty \$60/perf
Play Pack \$179 (11 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



Just Desserts

*"There is no such thing
as too much chocolate."*

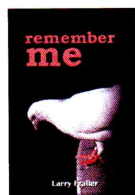
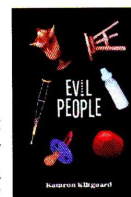


Mark D. Wyss 4 M, 4 F, 2 flex (Doubling: 2 M, 2 F) 45 mins, 39 pgs.
COMEDY. This short play collection contains three sweet treats to tantalize your audience. In "Just Desserts," a husband tries to woo his wife with a romantic weekend getaway, but his plan backfires when his wife falls in love with a piece of chocolate cake. In "The Tao of Mittens," a couple debates the great mysteries of life like where do all the missing socks go, why can't you find anything when you're looking for it, and why no one claims anything from the lost and found. And in "Aviation Blonde," a woman betrays the most important man in her life—her hairdresser. Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/performance
Play Pack \$209 (13 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

EVIL PEOPLE

"It takes special people to be able to identify evil, to rule against it, and to destroy it."

Kamron Klitgaard 2 M, 4 F, 11 flex (Doubling: 1 M, 3 F, 3 flex) 45 mins, 45 pgs. FARCE. There's a world of hilariously "evil" people in this collection of 4 short plays. In "Perceptions," a mother treats her grown son like a baby. In "Easy Flavors," a stranger arrives in a town where everything is too easy. In "Train Station," a man waiting for a train encounters a beggar. And in "Evil People," people meet to define "evil" and decide their fate. **Script \$7.95 Prompt \$16 Royalty \$60/perf Play Pack \$265** (20 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



remember me

"If anything happens, will you please remember me?"

Larry Fraller 3 M, 3 F (Doubling: 2 M, 2 F) 30 mins, 29 pgs. DRAMA. This collection of 3 short plays explores the haunting isolation. In "Pigeons," the divide between a daughter and her mother is made evident when they encounter a mourning dove. In "Family Honor," a veteran urges his grandson to uphold his family's honor by joining the Army. And in "Remember Me," two lonely nursing home residents find comfort in knowing that they will remember one another. **Script \$6.95 Prompt Book \$13 Royalty \$60/perf Play Pack \$166** (9 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

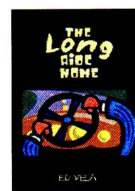


WHEN CLOWNS ATTACK! *"Sometimes clowns happen."*

Kamron Klitgaard 6 M, 4 F, 1 flexible (Doubling: 3 M, 2 F) 30 mins, 36 pgs. FARCE. In this collection of 3 short plays, characters try to unravel the meaning of life. In "The Play god," characters discuss whether they believe in the existence of their "creator," an all-powerful playwright. In "Checkmate," a college student becomes obsessed with winning at chess. In "When Clowns Attack!" a father is attacked by clowns. **Script \$6.95 Prompt Book \$13 Royalty \$60/perf Play Pack \$200** (14 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



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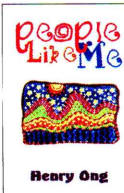
The Long Ride Home

"Well, I guess hell isn't so bad... sometimes."

Ed Vela 11 M (Doubling: 3 M) 45 mins, 40 pgs. COMEDY. These 5 short plays depict the unique bond between fathers and sons. A little-leaguer suffers defeat and feels his father's disappointment in "The Long Ride Home." In "Head," a father is taken off guard when his son makes a comical confession. In "Cecil Clarence Abernathy Explains It All to You," a naïve boy relates the events leading up to his parents' divorce. In "Wine and Wafers," a boy breaks the news to his father that he is dating a boy. In "Step-Hell," a teenager recounts the first time he called his stepfather "Dad." **Script \$7.95 Prompt \$16 Royalty \$60/perf Play Pack \$217** (14 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

The Necklace and Other Stories

Doug Goheen 5 M, 7 F (Doubling: 2 M, 3 F) 40 mins, 39 pgs. CLASSIC. Includes adaptations of 3 stories by Guy de Maupassant. In "The Necklace," a couple lives in extreme poverty to pay for a diamond necklace. In "Julie Romain," a fan visits a nostalgic actress. In "Humiliation," a socialite recounts how she was duped. **Script \$7.95 Prompt \$16 Royalty \$60/perf Play Pack \$225** (15 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)



People Like Me

"I was home alone and my dog was with me, and I turned to my dog, and I said, 'I'm gay.'"

Henry Ong 9 M, 7 F, 1 flexible (Doubling: 7 M, 4 F) 60 mins, 63 pgs. MONOLOGUE COLLECTION. These poignant, humorous monologues chronicle the lives of gay and lesbian teens and the challenges they face. Based on interviews with gay and lesbian teenagers who participated in writing workshops in Los Angeles. **Script \$7.95 Prompt Book \$16 Royalty \$60/perf Play Pack \$265** (20 scripts, 1 royalty, 50 posters, prompt book)

