


Participation Through Drama

Story Theatre For Murrel, Murrel, Murrel, by Robert Munsch

Parts:

- Robin
- Baby
- Woman
- 17 Diaper Salesmen
- Messengers
- Man
- Old Woman
- 17 Cats
- Young woman in fancy clothes
- Secretaries
- Pizza Delivery Man
- Truck Driver

Character	Lines	Participation For Non-verbal Student
Robin	When Robin went out into her backyard there was a large hole right in the middle of her sandbox. She knelt down beside it and yelled "ANYBODY DOWN THERE?"	
Baby	(Offstage) From way down the hole something said, "Murrel, Murrel, Murrel". <i>(student hides under a beige blanket in a box to simulate the sandbox)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • play sound effect off stage with switch for "murrel, murrel, murrel". • hand over hand with a xylophone or keyboard as background for the "murrel" sound.
Robin	"Hmmm,....very strange...." So she yelled even louder "ANYBODY DOWN THERE?"	
Baby	"Murrel, Murrel, Murrel"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sound effect off stage with switch for "murrel, murrel, murrel". • hand over hand with a xylophone or keyboard as background for the "murrel" sound.
Robin	Robin reached down the hole as far as she could and gave an enormous yank. Out popped a baby.	
Baby	"Murrel, Murrel, Murrel"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sound effect off stage with switch for "murrel, murrel, murrel". • hand over hand with a xylophone or keyboard as background for the "murrel" sound.
Robin	"Murrel yourself,....I am only five years old and I can't take care of a baby. I will find somebody else to take care of you." Robin picked up the very heavy baby and walked down the street. She met a woman pushing a baby carriage. "Excuse me, do you need a baby?"	

Woman	"Heavens, no! I already have a baby." She went off down the street and 17 diaper salesmen jumped out from behind a hedge and ran after her.	
Robin	Robin picked up the baby and went on down the street. She met an old woman. "Excuse me, do you need a baby?"	
Old Woman	"Does it pee its pants?"	
Robin	"Yes"	
Old Woman	"Yecch! ...Does it dirty its diaper?"	
Robin	"Yes"	
Old Woman	"Yecch! ...Does it have a runny nose?"	
Robin	"Yes"	
Old Woman	"Yecch! ...I already have 17 cats. I don't need a baby." She went off down the street. 17 cats jumped out of a garbage can and ran after her.	
Robin	Robin picked up the baby and went down the street. She met a young woman in fancy clothes. "Excuse me, do you need a baby?"	
Young Woman	"Heavens no, ...I have 17 secretaries, 9 messengers and a pizza delivery man, I don't need a baby."	
Robin	"Rats!" She picked up the baby and walked down the street.	
Man	She met a man.	
Robin	"Excuse me, ...do you need a baby?"	
Man	"I don't know ... can it wash my car?"	
Robin	"No"	
Man	"Can I sell it for lots of money?"	
Robin	"No"	
Man	"Well, what is it for?"	
Robin	"It is for loving and hugging and feeding and burping."	
Man	"I certainly don't need that!" He went off down the street. Nobody followed him.	
Robin	Robin sat down beside the street for the baby was getting very heavy.	
Baby	"Murmel, Murmel, Murmel"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sound effect off stage with switch for "murmel, murmel, murmel". • hand over hand with a xylophone or keyboard as background for the "murmel" sound.
Robin	"Murmel yourself, ...what am I going to do with you?"	
Truck Driver	An enormous truck came by and stopped. A truck driver jumped out and walked around Robin 3 times. Then he looked at the baby.	
Robin	"Excuse me, do you need a baby?"	
Truck Driver	"Weeeeeeeelllllllll...."	
Baby	"Murmel, Murmel, Murmel"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • sound effect off stage with switch for "murmel, murmel, murmel". • hand over hand with a

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		xylophone or keyboard as background for the "murmel" sound.
Truck Driver	"Did you say 'murmel, murmel, murmel'?"	
Baby	"Yes....."	
Truck Driver	"I need you!" He picked up the baby and started walking down the street.	
Robin	"Wait! You forgot your truck!"	
Truck Driver	"I already have 17 trucks. What I need is a baby...you can have the truck!"	