

I AM GOING TO SEE.

FRIENDS

Piggie



This is Piggie. She is excited about going to her first party.

Gerald the Elephant



This is the Gerald the Elephant. He is always worried something horrible might happen.

Squirrelle #1



This is Squirrelle number one. She is friends with Gerald and Piggie.

Squirrelle #2



This is Squirrelle number two. She is also friends with Gerald and Piggie.

Squirrelle #3



This is Squirrelle number three. She is also friends with Gerald and Piggie.

The Squirrelles Together



These are all three Squirrelles together. They sing back-up for Gerald and Piggie, and they also go on many adventures with the pair of friends!

Dog and Penguin



This is Dog and Penguin. They are also friends of Gerald and Piggie.



I am going to see *Elephant and Piggie: We are in a Play!* at Hope Summer Repertory Theatre.

Elephant and Piggie: We are in a Play! is a theatre show. This is different from a television show or a movie, because the characters are played by actors who can see and hear me, just like I can see and hear them. Once the play begins, everyone, including me, will sit quietly so we can hear the story.

In this show two friends, Gerald the Elephant and Piggie the Pig, explore the importance of friendship. From a fun costume party, to sharing a brand new toy, the best friends learn many lessons, with the help of their friends, the Squirrelles. This show is based on the picture book, *Elephant and Piggie*.

Elephant and Piggie: We are in a Play! is a kind of show called a musical. That means the actors will talk and sing to tell the story. Sometimes the actors will dance and move quickly. At the end of the songs, people around me will clap. This might be loud. If the noise and movements make me anxious, I can use headphones or hold my friend or parent's hand. Sometimes the characters will say or do something funny. It is ok to laugh or clap when I enjoy something.

Elephant and Piggie: We are in a Play! is a musical that lasts for about an hour. If I need to stretch my legs or a I need a break before the end of the show, a house manager can help me leave the theatre.

The beginning of the play opens with the two best friends searching for one another. The first song is "Lucky to See You." Right before this, the theatre will go dark as the actors get into their places.

At the end of the show, everyone will clap for the actors. I can clap or sign applause to show I enjoyed it. If it is too loud, I can use the headphones in my sensory bag or cover my ears.

I am excited to see *Elephant and Piggie* at Hope Summer Repertory Theatre!



ACT I SUMMARY



Loud/Sudden
Noise



Song



Clapping



Black Out



Sudden Light Change

💡🎵 The Squirrelles enter singing about being in a play.

Gerald enters looking for Piggie. Piggie enters looking for Gerald. Finally, they notice each other, and they are so happy! 💡🎵: **Lucky to See You** 🙌💡. Gerald and Piggie play ping pong and skip around the stage. 🗣️ Delivery dog enters with some mail, and hands an envelope to Piggie. It's an invitation to the Squirrelles' party! Piggie has never been to a party, so Gerald begins helping her prepare for the fun to come. Together, the best friends decide that it must be a fancy, costume, pool party!

Gerald and Piggie arrive at the party 💡🎵: **Swimmy, Fancy** 🙌💡. There's dancing at the party, but Gerald is sad because he doesn't know how to dance 🗣️). Then Gerald teaches everyone at the party to dance like an elephant 💡💡. Piggie brings out a trumpet 🗣️). Gerald tells Piggie her trumpet is loud, and shiny, but that wasn't music 💡. But it turns out that she wasn't playing music, she was speaking elephant! Gerald and Piggie speak elephant together 🗣️). Piggie and Gerald have a "best off" 💡.

Piggie has to go. Gerald is worried about what will happen to him when she leaves. 💡🎵: **Don't Go** 🙌💡. The ice cream penguin enters with ice cream. Gerald is really excited about his ice cream cone, but should Gerald share his ice cream with Piggie? He decides to share his ice cream 💡🎵: **Ice Cream Hero** 🙌💡. After his ice cream melts, Piggie shares her ice cream with Gerald.

Piggie has a new toy! 💡🎵: **Ode to Toy** 🙌💡. Gerald really wants to play with Piggie's new toy 💡🎵: **Ode to toy Reprieve** 🙌💡. Piggie decides to share her toy, so Gerald throws it high in the air 💡, but the toy breaks as it falls back to the ground, and it's all Gerald's fault. Piggie is mad, sad, and all around upset. 💡🎵: **Toy Breaker** 🙌💡. But the toy isn't actually broken, it turns out it's a snap and fix toy! Gerald is very upset, because Piggie made him feel bad about breaking the toy when it wasn't actually broken. 💡🎵: **Elephant in the Room** 🙌💡.

Gerald and Piggie have made up, but they realize that people are watching them. It turns out, that they are in a play! 🗣️🙌💡🎵: **We are in a Play** 🙌💡.

But the play is almost over! 🗣️💡 Gerald is worried they won't be friends anymore, and Piggie reassures him. 💡💡🎵: **We'll Be Friends** 🙌💡💡💡

Now there's no script, so they can do ANYTHING all of the characters are coming to play for the end of the show! 💡🙌🎵: **We've Been Lucky** 🙌💡🗣️)

Now I can go upstairs and meet Gerald, Piggie, The Squirrelles, and the rest of the cast!