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Country Mouse and the Missing Lunch Mystery

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Author: Asher, Sandra

Title: Country Mouse and the Missing Lunch Mystery

Year of Publication: 2003

Publisher: Dramatic Publishing

Found at: http://www.dramaticpublishing.com/p308/Country-Mouse-and-the-Missing-Lunch-Mystery/product_info.html

ISBN: 31197225784161

of pages: 17

Rating: Dependable

Reading/Interest Level: Toddler; Preschool

Keywords: Aesop's Fables; Children's Theater; Humorous Plays; Detective and Mystery

Production Requirements: Two kitchen sets that can sit side by side; Costuming; Large prop list and some lighting

Price/Royalty: \$35 per performance

of Acts: 1

Estimated Runtime: 30 minutes

of Characters: 7+

Cast Requirements: 6+, either gender

Time Period: Modern day

Review:

Classic nursery rhyme and fairy tale characters appear in this new, mystery story in which lunches keep disappearing. The audience watches as the Three Little Kittens who Lost Their Mittens commit the crimes and as the Country Mouse and City Mouse plan and re-plan ways to save their lunch. In the satisfying ending the kittens are eventually found out and mend their ways.

The silly antics of the kittens and mice will keep very young children and preschoolers entertained and they will appreciate the repetition inherent in the story. The silly characters, imagination and playfulness will also engage them. Older children and quite possibly parents will most likely be bored by the simplistic story line. The show is well-suited to a tour but is more suited for preschoolers than elementary school students.

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