

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 1—Puppet/Skit Script

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Paul: Hi everyone! We are so excited that you are about to go on an amazing adventure with us! My name is Paul.

Dee: Hi, I'm Dee! And this is our dog, Chip!

Chip: Woof!

Cy: Hey there, I'm Cy!

Paul: We love to go on adventures. Do you like to go on adventures, too? *[Wait for response.]*

Dee: Well, you are right on time because we just arrived in Orlando, Florida! Does anyone know what is in Orlando, Florida? *[Wait for response.]* Well, today we are visiting the headquarters of Campus Crusade for Christ International!

Paul: I heard they made a movie called *The Story of Jesus for Children*. Hey Dee, Cy, and Chip, what do you think about taking off to show this movie around the world so that more people can learn about Jesus?

Dee and Cy: That sounds like a great idea!

Paul: Would you like to join us on this adventure? *[Wait for response.]*

Cy: Great! Then put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee: And one last thing before you go, make sure you find your passport because we are about to go on the greatest adventure ever!

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 2—Puppet/Skit Script

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Dee: Hola, everyone! We made it to Mexico!

Cy: We should have our passports ready for our adventure around the world showing *The Story of Jesus for Children!*

Paul: Did anyone learn last week who the most important person of all time is? *[Wait for responses.]*

Dee: And what was the Memory Verse we packed in our backpacks? *[See if someone can say the memory verse from last week, John 14.6.]* Muy Bien!

Cy: Now that we are in Mexico, I can't wait to have some good Mexican food! *[Rubs his belly in excitement.]*

Paul: Chip and I can't wait to show the children of Mexico and their families *The Story of Jesus for Children*. They are sure going to like it!

Cy: *[Pulls a flashlight from his bag and points it right in Paul's eyes.]* Hey, Paul, have you ever heard of a spotlight?

Paul: *[Shades eyes from the bright light.]* Yes! It's a bright light used in movies and plays to show where the audience should direct their attention. *[To audience in a hushed voice:]* It's usually very important to follow the spotlight because it's going to help us learn something about the story.

Dee: Today, we are going to spotlight a very important baby! Can anyone tell me who this very important baby could be? *[Have the children guess.]*

Paul: Would you like to join us on our Mexican adventure today? *[Wait for responses.]*

Cy: Great! Then put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least ,pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee: Sounds great! Now get ready to learn about who should be in the spotlight, kids!

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 3—Puppet/Skit Script

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[All come out together out of breath and dizzy.]

Paul: Hello and Buenos Dias! We made it through that truck ride up the mountain here in Bolivia!

Dee: That was the bumpiest ride I've ever had!

Cy: Yes, but we made it! And the Bolivians are about to experience *The Story of Jesus for Children* movie!

Dee: Yeah! Last week we learned who should be in the spotlight of our lives. Does anyone remember who that should be? *[Wait for responses.]*

Paul: Well today, we are going to learn about an important director.

Cy: Wait a minute, Paul, what's a director?

Dee: Great question, Cy! A director is the person in charge of making a movie. All the actors in a movie have to listen to and obey the director for the movie to come out great!

Cy: So who's our director?

Paul: Well, Jesus is a great example of showing us who should be the director of our lives. Jesus was determined to listen to and obey God.

Dee: I can't wait to learn more about how God can be the director in our lives!

Cy: Would you like to join us on our Bolivian adventure today and learn about the most amazing director, God Himself? *[Wait for responses.]*

Paul: Great! Then put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* Hasta Luego!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 4—Puppet/Skit Script

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[All come out together waving backwards.]

Cy: 'Bye! Thank you for your help! *[Still waving backwards.]*

Paul: That was so nice of that Haitian boy to allow us to follow him across that scary bridge!

Dee: I know! I don't think we could have made it without him!

Paul: Well, welcome to Haiti, everyone!

Cy: And just like it was important to follow that boy across that bridge, it's important to follow Jesus and help Him in doing God's work.

Paul: Last week we learned about the director who was in charge of leading the cast of actors.

Dee: The cast? Who's that?

Paul: The cast is the group of actors who are in the movie. They are the ones who have to follow the director in order for the movie to come out just right!

Cy: We learned a great Bible verse last week. Can anyone say it? *[Let a volunteer recite last lesson's memory verse, John 10:27. If no one can, then have the characters say it.]*

Dee: Is there anything left in the backpack, Cy?

Cy: One last thing! *[Pulls out a passport.]* Today we are in Haiti showing *The Story of Jesus for Children*. Make sure to get your stamp from your teacher as you learn about Haiti and how to follow Jesus.

Paul: Are you ready for a Haitian adventure today? *[Wait for response.]*

Cy: Great! Then put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 5—Puppet/Skit Script

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Dee: Jambo! or Hello from Kenya!

Paul: So far we have learned how to say hello in Spanish and Haitian Creole French. Can anyone tell me how to say hello in Spanish? [*Wait for a response.*] Can anyone tell me how to say hello in Haitian Creole French? [*Wait for response; if they don't know, remind them that it's "Bon swa"*]. It can be hard learning and remembering words, especially in other languages.

Cy: It reminds me of how actors in movies have to memorize their scripts.

Dee: Cy, what's a script?

Cy: A script is what actors use to know what to say and what to do in a movie.

Paul: A script actually reminds me of the Bible! The Bible and all that Jesus taught is our script!

Dee: That's true! In the Bible, Jesus taught us what to say and what to do in order to be His disciples!

Cy: [*Holds up his backpack and pulls out the Bible.*] Look! We already have the Bible in our backpack. Maybe we should pull our Bibles out for today's adventure and see what our "script" says we should do.

Paul: Great idea, Cy! So everyone put on your hiking boots [*Pretends to put on hiking boots.*] and put on your hat. And last but not least, we need to pack our backpack for our trip.

Dee: Let's do it!

Dee, Cy, Paul: [*Wave goodbye.*] See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 6—Puppet/Skit Script

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[Puppets act like they are getting thrown around by the wind.]

Cy: Nilyenia! or Hello! Ghana sure is windy and stormy!

Dee: Rain or shine, I'm glad we came to Ghana to share Jesus, aren't you? *[Looks at audience for response.]*

Paul: Jesus had to face wind and storms too! But he did some pretty cool super special effects, if you ask me!

Cy: You mean like special effects we see in movies? *[Pretends to do slow-motion move or something similar.]* How did He do that?!

Paul: Well Jesus' special effects were actually miracles that He did. He made storms stop and He healed the sick and so much more!

Dee: I would love to hear more about how He did that!

Cy: Me, too!

Paul: *[To audience:]* Would you like to learn more about Jesus' super special effects called miracles? *[Wait for response.]*

[Turn the lights off when the children yell "Yes" and then flick them back on. Puppets look around like "what just happened?"]

Dee: What was that?

Cy: *[Looks way off in the distance.]* It looks like lightning struck our generator that gives us the power we need to show the story of Jesus to the children here in Ghana!

Dee: What are we going to do?!

Paul: Let's join our teachers in our classrooms to see if Jesus can do a super special effect to help us share His love and power around the world.

Cy: Sounds great! What are we waiting for?! Put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, we need to pack our backpack for our trip.

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 7—Puppet/Skit Script

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[Puppets' hair is messed up. All come out together with linked arms in a line, acting as if pushing against a large wind and sandstorm. They "yell" like they are talking over a storm.]

Dee: *[Pretends to brush sand from her face and clothes. To audience:]* Sa'ida! or Hello! We're glad we made it to Egypt!

Cy: *[Looks around frustrated.]* Dee, what are you talking about?! We're never going to be able to show the movie in this storm!

Paul: Hey Cy, don't forget the memory verse we learned last time. Can anyone help Cy remember how we are to love God and love people by saying Mark 12:30-31? *[Wait for a child to say it or have Paul recite it.]*

Cy: Thanks for the reminder! I remember now that God can do anything...even get us through a major sandstorm to share Jesus with the Egyptians. I'm sorry that I snapped at you, Dee.

Dee: It's okay. It's hard to always treat people kindly. I wonder if Jesus had trouble treating people nicely all the time.

Paul: The Jesus we've seen on the screen would have been the same whether the cameras were on or off! He was real and authentic in His love for others!

Cy: I hope we get to share His love here in Egypt! We need a place to show the movie that's out of this sandstorm.

Dee: Hey guys! Look over there! There is a boy guiding us to a safe cave!

Paul: We'll be safe from the storm. Let's go!

Cy: Are you all ready to learn about Jesus and more about Egypt? *[Wait for response.]* Great! Then put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

[Dee and Paul are already exiting as if walking towards the boy and cave.]

Dee: Come on, Cy. Let's go!

Cy: *[Waves.]* See you next time! *[Runs offstage.]*

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 8—Puppet/Skit Script

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[All come out together shivering in their jackets and hats.]

Paul: Privyet! or Hello! *[Throws his hands in the air.]* That's the only word I know in Russian! Dee or Cy, do you know any other words in Russian?

Dee and Cy: No!

Cy: We need to find an interpreter to help us while we are in Russia.

[Russian man walks in. Paul approaches him.]

Paul: Excuse me, sir, do you speak English?

Male Interpreter: *[Looks sly and sneaky. Holds out his hand. With Russian accent:]* How much money will you pay me?

[Dee approaches woman walking by.]

Dee: Excuse me, ma'am, do you speak English?

Female Interpreter: *[Kindly, with Russian accent:]* My English is not great, but I would love to help you!

Cy: *[To audience:]* One interpreter has a bad motive to help us, and the other has a good motive. Which one has the bad motive? *[Wait for response.]* That's right! He only wants to help to get money. *[Points to female interpreter.]* She has a good motive because she just wants to help.

[Male interpreter acts like he is frustrated and walks away. Cy and Paul join Dee and the female interpreter.]

Dee: Thank you so much for your help! Are you willing to help us share Jesus here in Russia?

Female Interpreter: *[Eyes widen in excitement.]* I would love to help you share Jesus! I am a Christian and want people to learn a lot about Jesus my Savior!

Cy: I *knew* you were a Christian!

Female Interpreter: *[Confused:]* How did you know I was a Christian?

Paul: Because you wanted to help us for the right reasons.

Dee: Just like in a movie when actors put their whole hearts into a scene, I saw that you were willing to put your whole heart into helping others.

Female Interpreter: Well, my example is Jesus. He always has pure motives for what He does.

Cy: *[To audience:]* Are you ready to learn about how Jesus had pure motives in all He did? *[Wait for response.]*

Paul: Okay then, put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee: See you next time!

[Everyone waves goodbye and exits.]

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 9—Puppet/Skit Script

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[All come out together hot and fanning themselves.]

Dee: Namasté! or Hello! India is such a big change from Russia! It is so warm and humid!

Paul: And there's no electricity! We need to find a place to plug in our video equipment and show the movie.

Cy: If someone offers to help, I sure hope we can trust them. Some people could betray us to the police! I've heard it has happened before.

Dee: That's a chance we'll have to take. *[To audience:]* You know, in a movie plot, things don't always go well for the heroes.

Cy: *[To audience:]* Jesus and His disciples are going to run into trouble, too—in a way Jesus' followers could *never* have predicted!

Paul: *[To audience:]* Are you ready to learn about how Jesus handled true adversity? *[Wait for response.]*

Cy: Okay then, put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee: See you next time!

[Everyone waves goodbye and exits.]

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 10—Puppet/Skit Script

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Paul: Wow! I have learned so much in our adventures together! God is really doing something great through these trips!

Dee and Cy: *[Hurry over to Paul.]* SHHHHHHHH!

Dee: We cannot talk about G-O-D in public, Paul!

Cy: *[To audience in secret spy voice:]* All I can hint to you is that we are somewhere in *[Pauses and says dramatically:]* Asia. Can all of you say *[Dramatic pause.]* Asia? *[Wait for response.]* But that's all we can tell you.

Dee: It's against the law for *[Dramatic whisper:]* Christians to worship together.

Cy: Many people here meet secretly in homes or *[Dramatic whisper:]* underground churches.

Paul: I'm sorry guys, I forgot about how *[Dramatic whisper:]* Christians are not treated nice at all here—they are persecuted, and many suffer a lot!

Dee: Jesus Himself suffered—*[Looks around.]* for all of us! Jesus' story is a very sad story. We have learned so much about Him and the importance of following Him, but this part of His story always makes me sad.

Cy: His story reminds me of a great movie! You love the story and all the action, but then suddenly the lights go out, and you realize the movie is over.

Paul: Well, Jesus' story is definitely not over, Cy! But I know what you mean. It was important for Jesus to suffer, and it's also important that we learn about others around the world who suffer for Jesus.

Cy: Okay! Put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Paul: Don't forget your passports!

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 11—Puppet/Skit Script

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[All come out with stuffed or puppet elephants, pretending to ride them]

Dee: Woooooooooooooh! This is too much fun riding an elephant!

Cy: I can't believe we've made it to our last stop here in Thailand! And we are riding elephants to the village where we get to show *The Story of Jesus for Children*.

Paul: Without these elephants, we wouldn't be able to get to the village where we are going. *[Looks at audience.]* Do you know that we will be the first visitors this village has had in many, many years?!

Cy: Well, I know they are going to love the movie. I wonder if they have ever seen a movie before.

Dee: I can't wait until they see Jesus rise from the dead on the third day! I know they are going to be soooo excited!

Paul: It will show how amazing Jesus really is!

Dee: He's a superstar in my book!

Cy: Mine too! He not only died for our sins but had the power to rise from the dead and lives today! That is pretty amazing!

Paul: We all get to experience Jesus' victory. *[To audience:]* Are you ready to learn more about our Superstar, Jesus? *[Wait for response.]*

Cy: Sounds great! What are we waiting for?! We all know what to do...put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee: And don't forget your passport!

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[Wave goodbye.]* See you next time!

My Big-Screen Adventure, Lesson 12—Puppet/Skit Script

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Dee: We've decided to stay an extra day here in Thailand.

Paul: We've seen some amazing things happen here in Thailand and around the world!

Cy: *[Points excitedly.]* Hey guys, look at that! It's a mama elephant with her baby!

Dee: Awwww, that baby elephant is soooo cute!

Cy: Soon, he will be just as big as his mom...maybe even bigger!

Paul: We're like that baby elephant. Once we believe in Jesus, it's time for us to start growing too... as Jesus' disciples.

Dee: Hey guys, remember Pastor Shepherd teaching us the five key habits that help us grow?!

Cy and Paul: Oh yeah! P-O-W-E-R!

Dee: That's right! P-O-W-E-R—power! It's an acrostic: each letter helps us remember one of the five habits.

[Teach the "P-O-W-E-R Song" found on page 78.]

Paul: Are you all ready to learn more about P-O-W-E-R? *[Wait for responses.]*

Cy: Great! Then put on your hiking boots *[Pretends to put on hiking boots.]* and put on your hat. And last but not least, pack your backpack for our trip.

Dee, Cy, Paul: *[To audience:]* We've had such a great time with all of you these last few weeks. We traveled around the world sharing Jesus and were glad to do it with you! We hope this isn't our last adventure together! *[Wave and exit.]*