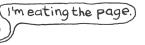




### 1. ANDY AND TERRY'S ULTIMATE DECORATING KIT

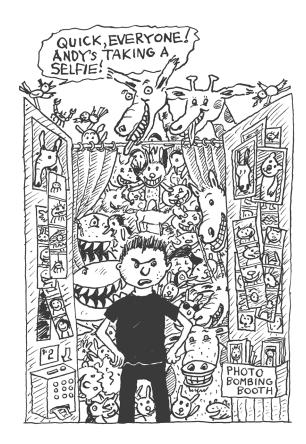
- Throw red, blue, green, purple, yellow, and orange streamers on the walls.
- Dots, dots, dots everywhere!
- Build your own treehouse on the wall (using color construction paper, glitter, and wacky designs). Storytime attendees can help decorate!



### 2. SCRUMPTIOUS SNACKS

- Marshmallows, just like from the Marshmallow Shooter
- High-security potato chips
- Submarine sandwiches
- 78 flavors of ice cream with assorted toppings
- Bubbly, burp-gas punch





### 3. GAMES GALORE

#### Host a slapstick-funny comedy show!

 Get together in small groups of 3–5 and share your silliest joke. You can use the Treehouse Joke Master 2000 joke sheet on page 3 for this activity.

### Act out your favorite scene from any of the Treehouse series books!

- In groups, choose a classic Andy and Terry scene from one of the books in the series and act it out.
- You can use the Readers' Theater activity on page 5 if you'd like to act out our favorite scene from The 117-Story Treehouse.

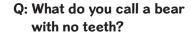
## 4. DON'T FORGET TO TAKE A SELFIE AT THE PHOTO-BOMBING BOOTH!





## HAVE YOUR FRIENDS IN STITCHES WITH THESE JOKES WRITTEN BY ANDY'S JOKEMASTER 2000 JOKE-WRITING PENCIL IN THE 104-STORY TREEHOUSE.

- Q: How do bees get to school in the morning?
- A: They ride the school buzz.



- A: A gummy bear.
- Q: Why didn't the cannibals eat the clown?
- A: Because he tasted funny.
- Q: What's yellow and smells like bananas?
- A: Monkey barf.

- Q: What do you call a cow's bedtime stories?
- A: Dairy tales.
- Q: Why did the golfer wear two pairs of pants?
- A: In case she got a hole in one.
- Q: What do you get when you cross a dinosaur with fireworks?
- A: Dino-mite!

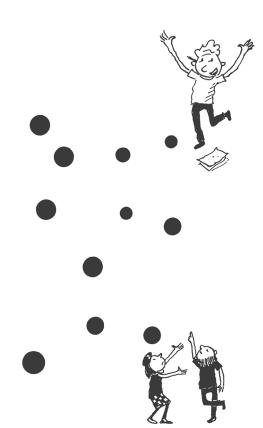


Get together in small groups of 3–5. Everyone gets their very own dot (dots included in this kit).

Each person will take a turn in the center of the group, improvising a scene with their dot, BUT ... the dot is not a dot!

Start each improv scene with the chant: "It's NOT a dot, it's a . . . "

- "It's NOT a dot, it's a . . . barrel!"
- "It's NOT a dot, it's an . . . escape hatch!"
- "It's NOT a dot, it's a . . . flying carpet!"





# HOW MANY STORYTELLING RULES CAN YOU BREAK?

In *The 117-Story Treehouse*, Andy and Terry are charged with crimes against storytelling by the Story Police! They broke the rules of good and proper storytelling. Can you make a story as absurd as Andy and Terry can?

☐ Outlandish Plots ☐ Ridiculous Characters	☐ Silly Names ☐ Needless Repetition	☐ Poor Eating Habits ☐ Unlikely Escapes	☐ Time-Wasting Chases ☐ Potty Humor
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### READERS' THEATER

## USE THE BELOW GUIDE TO ACT OUT A SCENE FROM THE 117-STORY TREEHOUSE!

#### Instructions:

Divide into groups of 5.

Select a part to play!











Narrator

Andy

Terry

Jill Mr. Big Nose

Use the script to practice lines individually and then as a group—memorizing isn't necessary, just have fun!

Once everyone is comfortable with their lines, take turns performing the scene for the larger group!

**Narrator:** If you're like most of our readers, you're probably wondering how come it's always Andy who tells the story and never Terry.

**Terry (to narrator):** Yeah, I've wondered that too! How come I never get to tell the story?

**Andy:** Because I'm the narrator, and you're the illustrator—that's why!

**Terry (to narrator):** I can narrate too, you know!

Andy: No you can't!

Terry: Yes I can!

Andy: Can't!

Terry: Can!

Andy: Can't!

Terry: Can!

Andy: CAN'T!

Terry: CAN!

Narrator: I'm about to yell CAN'T even

bigger when Jill comes along.

Jill: What are you two arguing about?

**Andy:** Terry says he can narrate and I say

he CAN'T!





## READERS' THEATER



**Jill:** There's a better way to settle this than by shouting at each other.

Andy: Really? How?

**Jill:** Let Terry do some narration and see how it goes.

**Andy:** But he's an illustrator. Illustrators can't narrate—everybody knows that!

Jill: That's not true. What about Dr. Moose?
He wrote and illustrated "The Splat
in the Hat." And who could forget the
wonderful Beatrix Potty? I love her animal
stories—and she does the story and the
illustrations as well!

**Narrator: RING RING RING!** 

**Andy:** Oh, that's our video phone. I'd better answer it.

Terry: I hope it's not Mr. Big Nose.

**Andy:** Me too. [Andy answers the video phone.]

Narrator: It is Mr. Big Nose!

**Mr. Big Nose:** Why hasn't the story started yet?

Andy: Because Terry wants to tell the story and I was just explaining that illustrators can't tell stories because that's the author's job.

Mr. Big Nose: That's nonsense! What about Boris Bendback? His Where the Filed Things Are is the most famous and best-loved children's book about office management of all time . . . and he's the author and the illustrator!

Andy: Yeah, that is good, but—

Mr. Big Nose: No buts about it. If Terry wants to tell the story then let him—maybe he'll create a classic just like Boris Bendback. But make sure it's on my desk by five o'clock this afternoon . . . or I'll file you both under F for FIRED!

**Andy:** Don't worry about a thing, we'll get it done.

Mr. Big Nose: You'd better!

**Narrator:** The screen goes blank.

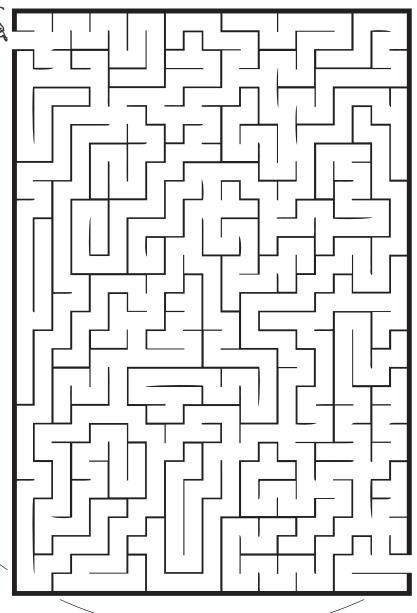








## HELP ANDY, TERRY, AND JILL ESCAPE FROM THE STORY POLICE!









# DESIGN YOUR OWN TREELOUSE LEVEL

