

# Little Penguin Reader's Theatre!

| Characters     | Group 1  | Group 2  | Group 3     |
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| Narrator 1-3   | Lauren   | Aaliyah  | Lennon      |
| Little Penguin | Joshua   | Radha    | Lilly       |
| Mr. Koala      | Prasham  | Arya     | Om          |
| Mrs. Kangaroo  | Khadijha | Kata     | Jen         |
| Monkey         | Eli      | Nathan   | Youssef     |
| Narrator 4-6   | Vedanth  | Danny    | Danny/Allen |
| Mr. Elephant   | Raghid   | Shafin   | Grant       |
| Mother Penguin | Dahlia   | Blessing | Rebekah     |

## *Little Penguin*

- Narrator:** Little Penguin was tired of living in his cold Antarctic home so one day he left to find a new home. First he went to Australia. He met a koala.
- Little Penguin:** Mr. Koala, I'm looking for a new home. Would a penguin like to live in a koala's home?
- Mr. Koala:** Can penguins climb trees?
- Little Penguin:** I don't think so.
- Mr. Koala:** Would penguins like to eat eucalyptus leaves?
- Little Penguin:** Oh, no! Penguins like to eat fish.
- Mr. Koala:** I don't think a penguin would like to live in a koala's home.
- Narrator:** So Little Penguin went on until he met a kangaroo.
- Little Penguin:** Mrs. Kangaroo, would a little penguin be happy in a kangaroo's home?
- Mrs. Kangaroo:** Can penguins hop from place to place?
- Little Penguin:** Oh no, Mrs. Kangaroo. Penguins waddle, slide, swim, and dive. They do not hop.
- Mrs. Kangaroo:** Do penguins like to eat grass?
- Little Penguin:** Oh no, Mrs. Kangaroo. Penguins only like to eat fish.
- Mrs. Kangaroo:** I do not think you would fit in my pocket, Little Penguin. I do not think you would like a kangaroo home.
- Narrator:** Little Penguin went back to the ocean. He swam to Africa. The first animal he met there was a monkey swinging from a tree.
- Little Penguin:** Little Monkey, Little Monkey, would a penguin like to live in a monkey's home?
- Monkey:** I do not think so Little Penguin. Can you swing from tree to tree and hang by your tail?
- Little Penguin:** Oh no, Little Monkey. My tail is too small and my flippers are only good for swimming.
- Monkey:** Do penguins like to eat bananas?
- Little Penguin:** Oh no, Little Monkey. Penguins like to eat fish, lots of fish.
- Monkey:** I do not think a penguin would like to live in my jungle home. Good-bye, Little Penguin.
- Narrator:** Little Penguin did not give up. He went along across Africa until he met an elephant. He looked up and shouted.
- Little Penguin:** Mr. Elephant, would a little penguin be happy in an elephant's home?
- Mr. Elephant:** Do penguins like to eat grass and trees?
- Little Penguin:** Oh no, Mr. Elephant. Penguins like to eat lots of fish.
- Mr. Elephant:** I do not think a little penguin would be happy in an elephant's home.
- Narrator:** Little Penguin walked on. He was getting warm. He was getting hungry. He was getting tired. The next animal he met was his mother.
- Little Penguin:** Mother! Mother! What are you doing here?
- Mother Penguin:** I have been looking all over for you! Please come home, Little Penguin. Penguins must make their homes where the water is cold and there are lots of fish.
- Little Penguin:** You are right Mother. I cannot climb trees. I cannot hop. I cannot hang by my tail. I cannot fit in a pocket. I do not like to eat eucalyptus leaves, grass, bananas, or trees.
- I think our home in the Antarctic is the best place for me.
- Narrator:** Mother Penguin gave Little Penguin a big hug.
- Mother Penguin:** And you will always have a mother's flippers to keep you warm when you are cold, Little Penguin!