

This script has been created for one advanced reader/narrator (teacher or older reader) and invites response participation from the whole class. The script works well at the LOWER PRIMARY grade level.

(NARRATOR GATHERS CHILDREN AROUND AND READS THIS SCRIPT JUST AS ANY STORYTELLER MIGHT INVOLVE A GROUP OF LISTENERS IN A PARTICIPATIONAL TELLING. BEFORE THE READING, ASK EACH CHILD TO UNDERLINE THE LINES MARKED "ALL". IF YOU WISH, REHEARSE THE DIFFICULT LINES ONCE OR TWICE, THEN BEGIN THE READING).

NARRATOR: On the Monday before Christmas, Ardith Magee decided to take her pet alligator out for a Christmas shopping spree.

She opened her front door and checked the weather. Then Ardith called to her mother.

ALL: "IT'S COOOOOOLD OUTSIDE! MY ALLIGATOR'S NOSE WILL FREEZE!"

NARRATOR: And mother said,

ALL: "SO PUT A SOCK ON IT!"

NARRATOR: So Ardith did. She covered the alligator's nose with one of father's

ALL: BIGGEST, WIDEST, LONGEST ANGORA SOCKS.

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NARRATOR: The sock was red. Then Ardith and her pet alligator went off to the mall. The alligator bought four advent calendars with holiday chocolates behind the windows, and an airline ticket to

ALL: AUSTRALIA!

NARRATOR: And when the shopping was done, Ardith and her pet alligator

ALL: WENT HOME!

NARRATOR: On the Tuesday before Christmas, Ardith Magee decided to take her pet armadillo out for a Christmas shopping spree.

She opened her back door and checked the weather. Then Ardith called to her mother.

ALL: "IT'S COOOOOOLD OUTSIDE! MY ARMADILLO'S NOSE WILL FREEZE!"

NARRATOR: And mother said,

ALL: "SO PUT A SOCK ON IT!"

NARRATOR: So Ardith did. She covered the armadillo's nose with one of father's

ALL: BIGGEST, WIDEST, LONGEST ANGORA SOCKS.