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# A Fashionable Ghost



A READERS THEATER  
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**ESTABLISHING THE RHYTHM**

To find the proper rhythm for this Readers Theater piece, first read-aloud and clap through the sections as you go. Each underlined word or word part falls directly on a beat. As you read, clap on each underlined word, keeping the rhythm steady. Be careful not to read too fast! This is a rehearsal technique and readers will not clap throughout these sections during performance. After you have established the beat, it is time to start interpreting, experimenting, and having fun with the words by varying tempo, volume, inflection, and expression.

**FORMATTING**

This script is formatted for 9 SOLO READERS and ALL lines.

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READER 1:                   It was Halloween night  
                                  And from under my bed

READER 2:                   Flew a funny little woman  
                                  Who floated overhead.

READER 3

GHOST VOICE:            "Boo!" She yelled.

READER 1:                   "Who are you?" I said.

READER 3

GHOST VOICE:            "Me? I'm a ghost!  
Aren't you filled with dread?"

READER 1:                "I'm trying," I admitted,  
But you don't look right."  
Aren't ghosts transparent,

**ALL:**                    **Or at least all white?"**

READER 4:                The ghost glanced down  
At her trendy orange vest,

READER 3

GHOST VOICE:            Said, "White's out of style  
Say, aren't you impressed?

If not, you should be.  
Now, show some compassion.  
How often do you meet a  
True ghost of fashion?"

READER 1:                Then I looked straight  
At her lime green feet:

READER 2:                Flip Flops by Gumbie.  
They were really quite sweet.

READER 5:               The skirt was Lululemon,  
With “yogo” in place.

READER 6:               The shirt was European  
With just a hint of lace.

READER 7:               On her highlighted hair  
Sat a jaunty little cap

READER 1:               That I instantly knew  
Had come from The Gap.

READER 8:               And the look was great –  
For everyday wear

READER 9:               But for scary ghost attire?

**ALL:                       Well, she didn't have a prayer!**

READER 4:               Then she pulled designer chains  
From her Gucci purse.

READER 5:               She rattled and groaned  
And even worse, cursed.

READER 1:               “Oh stop!” I shouted  
Don't go berserk.  
I'm just not scared.