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# Shadow, Shadow!

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A Choral  
Speaking/Reading Script

for  
Primary Readers

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A Story About A Child and A Shadow

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### **FORMATTED FOR CHORAL SPEAKING/READING**

Divide your Voice Choir into two sections. One section will take the child's lines, (VOICE 1). The other section will take the shadow's lines (VOICE 2). The script features lines for VOICE 1, VOICE 2, and an ALL CHORUS.

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### **ESTABLISHING THE RHYTHM**

To find the proper rhythm for this Readers Theater poem, 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.

**NOTE:** This script contains the *same* repetitive verse to be read aloud by the ALL CHORUS. A second script containing *varied* repetitive verses is also included in the package so that you may have a choice of approaches.

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VOICE 1: Hi! What is your name?

VOICE 2: Hi! What is your name?

VOICE 1: Why did you say the same?

VOICE 2: Why did you say the same?

VOICE 1:            Hey, why are you copying me?

VOICE 2:            Well, I'm your shadow, can't you see?  
I just do what you do.

VOICE 1:            You do?

VOICE 2:            I do!

ALL CHORUS:       Shadow, Shadow  
On the wall.  
Shadow, Shadow  
Short or tall.  
If I move from A to B,  
Will you move along with me?

VOICE 1:            If I stand up straight and tall,  
Then turn around upon my toes,  
You'll do the same?

VOICE 2:            That's what I do.  
That's how it goes.

VOICE 1:            And if I fall down to the floor  
Then do a somersault,  
You'll do the same?

- VOICE 2:        Yes, (pause)  
                      But skinned up knees  
                      Are not my fault!
- ALL CHORUS:    Shadow, Shadow  
                      On the wall.  
                      Shadow, Shadow  
                      Short or tall.  
                      If I move from A to B,  
                      Will you move along with me?
- VOICE 1:        If I climb a mountain peak,  
                      Sit at the top and touch the sun,  
                      You'll do it too?
- VOICE 2:        It's true, it's true.  
                      That sounds like fun.
- VOICE 1:        And if I sing a song out loud,  
                      And sing the tune off-key  
                      You'll sing with me?
- VOICE 2:        Well, quietly.
- ALL CHORUS:    Shadow, Shadow  
                      On the wall.  
                      Shadow, Shadow  
                      Short or tall.

If I move from A to B,  
Will you move along with me?

VOICE 1: If I shake like Scooby-Do?

VOICE 2: I will Scooby-shake it too.

VOICE 1: If I walk like Donald Duck?

VOICE 2: I will waddle too, with luck.

VOICE 1: If I fly like Superman?

VOICE 2: I'll fly with you,  
If I can!

ALL CHORUS: Shadow, Shadow  
On the wall.  
Shadow, Shadow  
Short or tall.  
If I move from A to B,  
Will you move along with me?

VOICE 1: If I reach to touch the stars  
On a dark, cold, winter night.  
You'll do the same?

VOICE 2: Well yes, I might.