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(READER 1 ENTERS ALONE, SITS ON STOOL, OPENS FOLDER, LOOKS AT AUDIENCE, AND SAYS):

READER 1: Long ago in the northern mountains of Japan on the island of Hokkaido,

(READER 2 ENTERS IN SAME MANNER, SITS ON STOOL, AND FINISHES SENTENCE BY SAYING):

READER 2: there lived two vain and jealous goblins.

(READER 3 ENTERS AS ABOVE AND FOLLOWING SAME DIRECTIONS SAYS):

READER 3: One goblin was the color of the summer sky. He was the color...

(READER 3 QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "BLUE!").

ALL: BLUE!

(READER 4 ENTERS AND DOES THE SAME AS OTHERS).

READER 4: The other goblin was the color of the setting sun. He was the color...

(READER 4 QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "RED!").

ALL: RED!

(READER 5 ENTERS IN SAME MANNER AS OTHERS AND SAYS):

READER 5: Day in and day out, the goblins argued about who was the most handsome. The blue goblin said,

(READER 3/BLUE JUMPS OFF STOOL AND STANDS FACING AUDIENCE).

3/BLUE: "I am the most handsome goblin in the world because I am the color...

(READER 3 QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "BLUE!").

ALL: BLUE!"

READER 1: The red goblin did not agree. He argued,

(READER 4/RED JUMPS OFF STOOL AND STANDS FACING AUDIENCE).

4/RED: "I am the most handsome goblin in the world because I am the color...

(READER 4 QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "RED!").

ALL: RED!"

(READERS 3 AND 4 SIT DOWN AGAIN ON STOOLS).

READER 2: Both goblins were very proud. They were especially proud of their wonderful magic noses because, when each nose was properly

READER 3: wiggled, each nose could

(READER 4 PUTS HAND TO NOSE AND INDICATES STRETCHING).

READER 4: stretch...and stretch...and STRETCH!

READER 5: Each nose could

(READER 1 PUTS HAND TO NOSE AND INDICATES GROWING).

READER 1: grow...and grow...and GROW,

(ALL READERS PUT A HAND OVER EYES LIKE VISORS AND PRETEND TO BE LOOKING FAR OUT OVER THE AUDIENCE).

READER 2: until each nose could extend many leagues, many kilometres, many miles across the countryside.

(ALL HANDS DOWN).

(READER 3/BLEU JUMPS OFF STOOL AND STANDS FACING AUDIENCE).

READER 3: Of course the blue goblin thought his nose was, by far, the most handsome because it was the color...

(READER 3 QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "BLUE!").

ALL: BLUE!

(READER 4 JUMPS OFF STOOL AND STANDS FACING AUDIENCE).

READER 4: And the red goblin thought his nose was the most handsome because it was the color...

(READER 4 QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "RED!").

ALL: RED!

(READERS 3 AND 4 SIT DOWN AGAIN ON STOOLS).

READER 5: One day the blue goblin was resting on top of a mountain when he smelled a very sweet smell coming from - somewhere. He said,

3/BLUE: "Ah yes! My wonderful magical nose smells something sweet. My nose can smell sweet smells from all over Japan. My nose is the most wonderful nose in the world because it is the color...

(READER 3 HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "BLUE!").

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ALL: BLUE!"

READER 1: The blue goblin wondered what the sweet smell was, so he wiggled his blue nose in just the proper way and his nose began to

(READER 2 REACHES UP TO OWN NOSE AND MIMES STRETCHING).

READER 2: stretch...and stretch...and STRETCH!

READER 3: His nose began to

(READER 4 REACHES UP TO OWN NOSE AND MIMES GROWING).

READER 4: grow...and grow...and GROW,

READER 5 LOOKS AT AUDIENCE WITH LARGE UNBELIEVING EYES).

READER 5: until it was the longest blue nose ever seen in the country of Japan.

(ALL READERS PUT A HAND OVER EYES LIKE VISORS AND PRETEND TO BE LOOKING FAR OUT OVER THE AUDIENCE).

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READER 1: The blue nose grew so long that it crossed right through the islands of Hokkaido, Honshu, Shikoku, Kyushu and back again! Finally the nose ended up at a lord's mansion.

(ALL HANDS DOWN).

READER 2: Inside the mansion the lord's daughter, Princess White-Flower, was having a party. Many other princesses had come to the party to see Princess White-Flower's collection of rare and beautiful kimonos.

READER 3: The kimonos were of many colors and were packed in sweet smelling incense.

READER 4: At that very moment, the princess was looking for some place to hang her kimonos. When she saw the blue nose, she cried,

1/PRINCESS: "Oh look, someone's hung a blue pole for us. We'll hang the kimonos on it. It is a most wonderful pole because it is the color...

(READER 3 JUMPS OFF STOOL AND QUICKLY HOLDS UP SIGN WHICH SAYS "BLUE!").

ALL: BLUE!"

(READER 3 SITS DOWN AGAIN ON STOOL).