

CHRISTMAS PARTNER PLAYS

Teaching tips

4 plays at different levels

Grades 2-4

Gingerbread



Cast
Gene Gingerbread Man
Kacie

Setting: A cozy kitchen. Kacie sits at the kitchen table with a gingerbread man on a plate in front of her. Frosting and sprinkles are on the table.

Kacie: Hmmmm... One gingerbread man left. What should I make him look like?

Gene Gingerbread Man: Uh, if you are looking for ideas, I have a few!

Kacie: [surprised] What? Did you just talk?

Gene Gingerbread Man: I sure did! I can talk. I can sing. I can dance.

Kacie: Wow! This is crazy!

Gene Gingerbread Man: The only thing I can't do is decorate myself.

Kacie: [excited] Well, you're in luck, because that's what I'm here to do!

Gene Gingerbread Man: Great! What is your plan?

Kacie: I'm thinking...a classic gingerbread man with little suspenders.

Gene Gingerbread Man: What?

Kacie: You know! The adorable gingerbread man with red suspenders and green shorts!

Gene Gingerbread Man: There is no way I'm wearing that.

Kacie: Why not? Suspenders? What year is this? 1825?



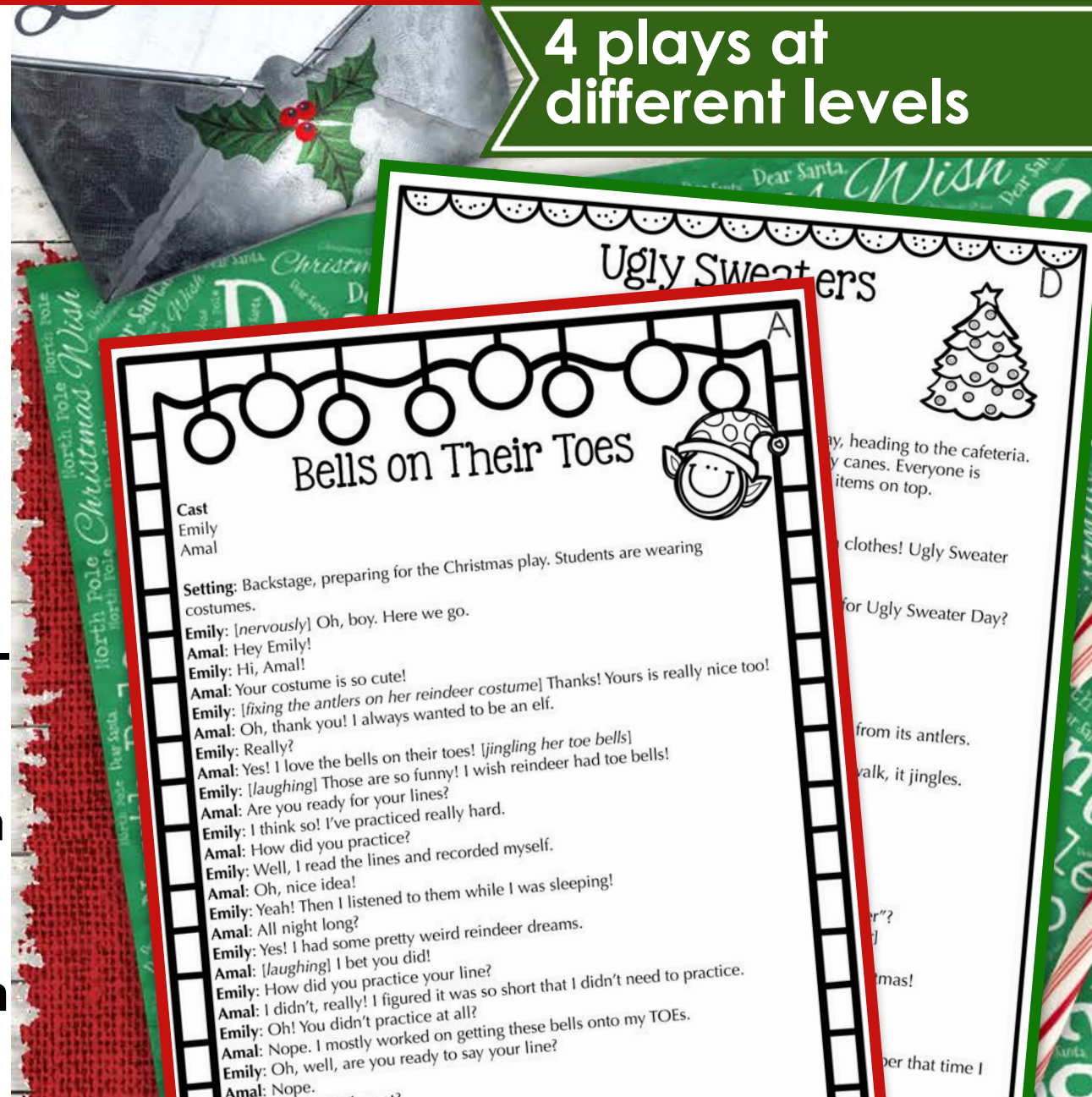
BUILD FLUENCY & COMPREHENSION WITH PARTNERS!

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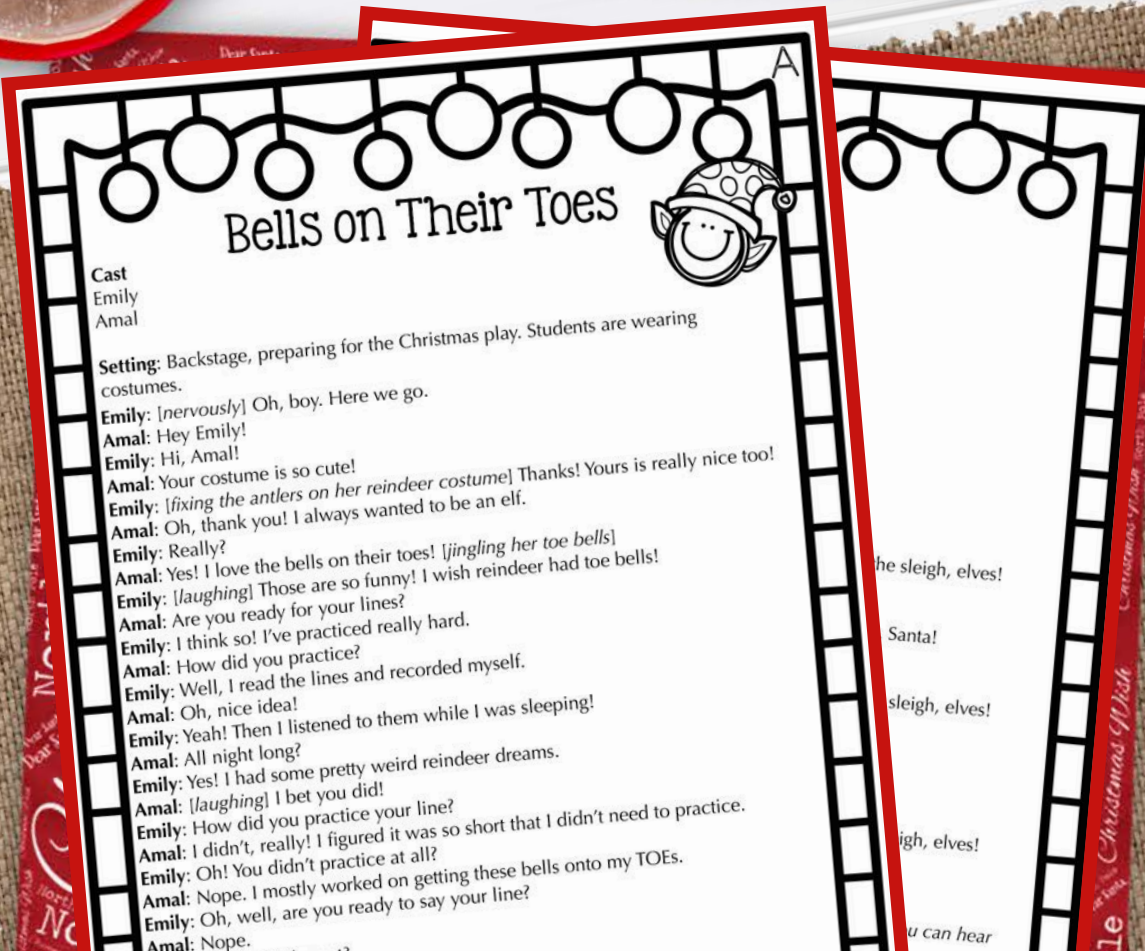
- ✓ Morning warm-up
- ✓ Fluency center or station
- ✓ Daily practice
- ✓ Repeated readings
- ✓ Ready to go activity to warm up small groups - differentiate!
- ✓ Holiday parties and fun days
- ✓ Time fillers for days with weird schedules

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BELLS ON THEIR TOES

Emily tries to help Amal remember her lines for the Christmas play.



EACH PLAY IS WRITTEN AT A DIFFERENT LEVEL – DIFFERENTIATE!

GINGERBREAD



Gene Gingerbread Man has some ideas about how Kacie should decorate him.



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REINDEER GAMES

Rudolph complains to Dasher about how he always loses Reindeer Games.



Reindeer Games

Cast
Dasher
Rudolph

Setting: A snowy scene at the North Pole. Reindeer are all over the hills of snow, leaping, running, and laughing.

Dasher: [leaping] Hey, Rudy, it's the big day!

Rudolph: [grumpy and irritated] That is not my name.

Dasher: Oh, come on. Loosen up! It's the best day of the year!

Rudolph: Ugh. It's the worst day of the year!

Dasher: What do you mean? It's time for...

BOTH: [Rudolph - irritated; Dasher - excitedly] Reindeer games.

Dasher: Yeah! I love this day!

Rudolph: Why? What do you love about Reindeer Games Day?

Dasher: Everything! There's running, leaping, flying, and my favorite: dashing!

Rudolph: I still don't understand how dashing is different from flying.

Dasher: Oh, it's very different. When you're running, you run! But when you're dashing, you dash. [hops from side to side quickly]

Rudolph: Whatever you say, Dasher.

Dasher: I would know! I'm the Dash-man!

Rudolph: Nobody is calling you that.

Dasher: It's going to catch on. Just wait.

Rudolph: I guess I don't like Reindeer Games Day because I'm not really good at any of that stuff.

Dasher: Really? You're not good at dashing or flying?

Rudolph: Dasher, you know this. I'm not good at dashing, flying, running, or leaping.

Dasher: Oh, come on. You're a reindeer! We're all good at those things!

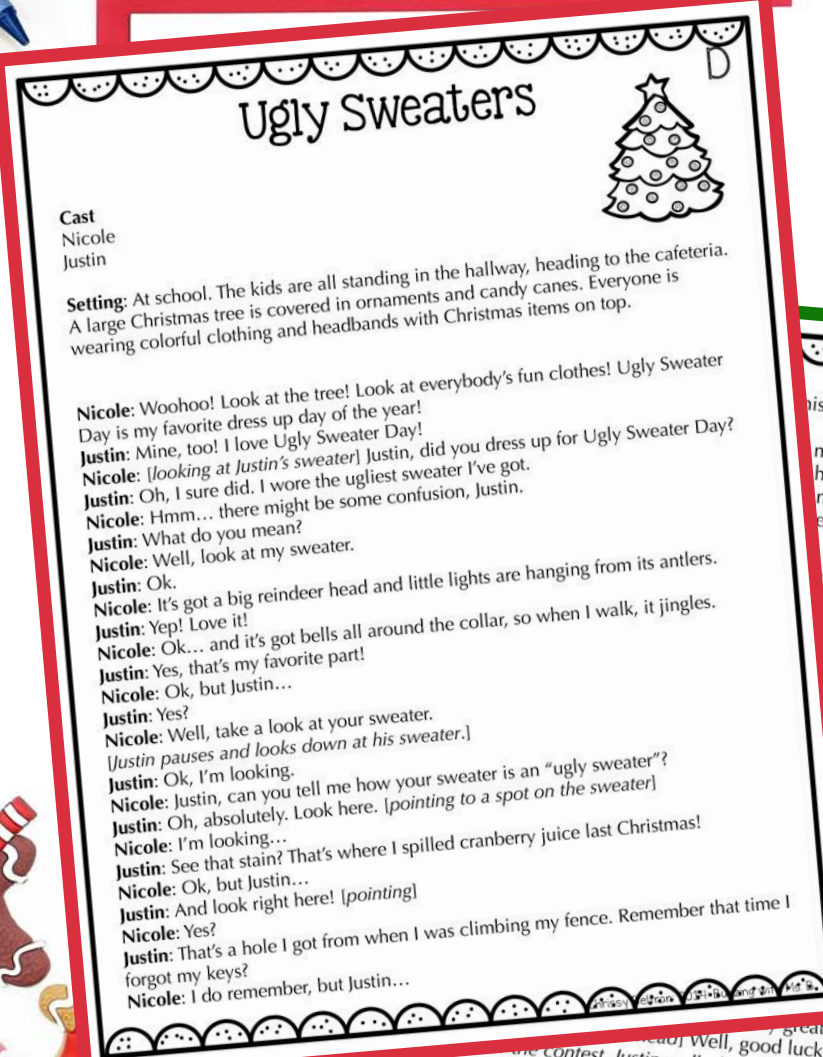
Rudolph: I have zero reindeer talents.

Dasher: Oh, come on. You must have some kind of reindeer talent.



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UGLY SWEATERS



Nicole explains to Justin what an Ugly Sweater really is.



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