### The Curious Quest of Benjamin Bunny Study Guide

#### About the show...

Inspired by the success of *The Amazing Adventures of Peter Rabbit*, *The* Curious Quest of Benjamin Bunny is a new musical tale created Connecticut Children's Theatre. This brand new production follows Benjamin Bunny's exploits through the wood and Farmer McGregor's Garden! Benjamin Bunny has an exciting day as he encounters Beatrix Potter's beloved characters including, Peter Rabbit, Flopsy Bunny and Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle! Peter and Flopsy have been sent by Mother Rabbit to gather dandelions. But at the advice of Benjamin, they decide to gather the dandelions in nearby Farmer Mcgregor's rather than the much less dangerous meadow down the lane. The story unfolds as Farmer McGregor discovers the Bunnies and the chase is on! They must escape being captured by Farmer McGregor! Luckily, the bunnies find a new friend in Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle. She helps the bunnies go back into Farmer McGregor's Garden when they discover Benjamin last lost something very important! And the search... The Curious Quest of Benjamin Bunny has begun! Children will delight in the story told in the unique style of CCT productions... interactive, filled with music, sing-a-longs and fun!

### **Pre-Performance Activities...**

- 1. Talk about going to the theatre. Discuss behavior in the theatre during the show. Ask the students how they can be respectful of the actors on stage. How can they be respectful of the people sitting nearby during the show.
- 2. Sing the sing-a-longs! The sing-a-long in the show will be Oh Mister Sun, Down By the Bay and The Hokey Pokey!
- 3. Read some of the Beatrix Potter stories. Emphasize to the students that the musical they will see is loosely based on the Beatrix Potter stories. There will be similarities and differences between the show and the stories.

## Post-Performance Activities... Discussion Questions About the Show...

- 1. What did Mother Rabbit ask Peter and Flopsy to gather? *Dandelions*.
- 2. Where did Mother Rabbit tell Peter and Flopsy to go find the dandelions? *Down the lane*.
- 3. Where did Benjamin Bunny tell Peter and Flopsy to gather dandelions? *Farmer McGregor's Garden*.
- 4. Did Flopsy want to go into Farmer McGregor's Garden? No.
- 5. When Benjamin, Peter and Flopsy got into the garden, what did they do. *They ate lots of veggies and fell asleep*.
- 6. What does "soporific" means? It means it makes you sleepy.
- 7. What did Peter, Flopsy and Benjamin eat that had a soporific effect on them? *Lettuces*.
- 8. Who discovered Peter, Benjamin and Flopsy sleeping in the garden? *Farmer McGregor*.
- 9. Mcgregor doesn't want what growing in his garden? Weeds.
- 10. What did Farmer McGregor do to keep the crows away? *He made a scarecrow*.
- 11. When the bunnies got lost in the woods, who helped them find their way? *Mrs. Tiqqy-Winkle*.
- 12. What is Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle's job? *She is a laundress*.
- 13. What is Mother Rabbit going to make out of the dandelions? *Dandelion tea*.
- 14. What did Benjamin Bunny lose? His Tail!
- 15. Where does Farmer Mcgregor put the tail? *On top of the scarecrow's hat.*
- 16. How does Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle try to distract Farmer McGregor so the bunnies can get the tail? With a song from Benjamin's iphone.
- 17. What kind of animal is Mrs. Tiggy-Winkle? *A hedgehog*.
- 18. What is Farmer McGregor's favorite drink? Tea.
- 19. The weeds in McGregor's garden really something that the bunnies could use. What were the weeds? *Dandelions*.
- 20. Farmer McGregor asked Mother Rabbit to make what in exchange for the dandelions? *Dandelion Tea*.

## Fun Pages! Have fun with the fun pages!

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