



Tanya and the Red Shoes

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Objective: ...present dramatic interpretations of experiences, stories

Readers' Theater!



All: Growing up is so much fun!

Voice 1: We're learning new things!

Voice 2: Won't you come?

Voice 3: It may be art that tickles our fancy.

Voice 4: Or training snakes....but that's too chancy!

All: Growing up's gradual, not all at once.

Voice 1: I work hard now so I won't be a dunce!

Voice 2: Each new lesson gets us ready

Voice 3: For harder ones, so we'll be steady...

Voice 4: Riding a bike

Voice 1: Or catching a ball.

All: Before we fly, we always fall.

Voice 2: Falling's part of learning, you see.

Voice 3: 'Cause we always get up, and smile with glee...

Voice 4: As we try again to master new skills

Voice 1: But sometimes the challenge gives us the chills!

All: Ouch! That hurt!

Voice 2: This learning's no fun!

Voice 3: Can't we go out to recess?

Voice 4: Just let us run!

Voice 1: My finger is cramping!

All: My legs are all tired!

Voice 2: If I were a writer, I'd already be fired!

Voice 3: But we must remember, if we would achieve,

Voice 4: To welcome the blisters, and bumps and believe...

Voice 1: That each of the rough spots makes another spot tough!

All: And just when we think that we've learned quite enough...

Voice 2: Along comes another thing we don't know...

Voice 3: Can't do...

Voice 4: We're slow.

Voice 1: So we remember the quote that our teacher has starred:

All: "Everything **easy** was once very **hard**."

