

Pizza Palace

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Synopsis: There's been a pet-knapping at Princess Pink's sleep-over at the palace.

Detective Riley must investigate! Featuring: astronauts, aliens and a WNBA basketball player. An original one-act play.

Setting: Castle in Gemland

Characters:

Narrator

Princess Pink

Princess Gold

Princess Purple

Lady Blue Skye (Neighbor)

Pups (dog)

Kuku Boo Bear (poodle)

Kiki (cat)

Goldie (fish)

Pizza Guy

Detective

Alien 1

Alien 2

Basketball Player

Astronaut 1

Astronaut 2

Ticket Booth

NARRATOR

(Like The Twilight Zone)

Ladies and Gentlemen, you've just arrived in Gemland. A place of castles, knights and three young princesses. All are enjoying a Friday night sleepover.

But this won't be an ordinary sleepover. Something extraordinary is about to happen. Do you want to find out?

INT. PRINCESS PINK'S BEDROOM

Princess Pink, Princess Gold and Princess Purple jump on pillows at a sleepover.

PRINCESS GOLD

I love sleepovers!

PRINCESS PURPLE

Me Too! Let's not sleep!

PRINCESSES GOLD

Yea!

PRINCESS PINK

I have an idea. Anyone want a pizza?

PRINCESSES

We do!

PRINCESS PINK

Great!

INT. STAGE LEFT with SMALL TABLE and PHONE.

PIZZA MAN

Good evening. Pizza Palace, the best pizza restaurant in all of Gemland. May I take your order?

INT. STAGE RIGHT at NIGHT STAND with PRINCESS PHONE

PRINCESS PINK

Yes, I would like to order. Hmm. What should I get?

(Asks audience)

A Hawaiian pizza?

PRINCESS GOLD

Mmmm. Pineapple and ham. So salty, sweet and cheesy!

PRINCESS PINK

No, no no. A deep dish Chicago-style.

PRINCESS PURPLE

Too much sausage. I'm already full. Buuuuurp!

PUPS tugs on PRINCESS PURPLE's dress.

PRINCESS PINK

(Asks audience)

What should I order?

PRINCESS PINK

OK, I got this. Pizza Man? We'll have a large Thin Crust.

PIZZA GUY

One large pizza to the castle in 30 minutes.

PRINCESS GOLD

Wait! Our pets want pizza too.

Kiki whispers in PRINCESS GOLD's ear.

PRINCESS GOLD

What? Oh.

Kiki wants tuna.

PUPS

Woof woof. Pupperoni please.

PRINCESS PINK

And Goldie do you want anchovy?

AT THE BEDROOM WINDOW

ALIEN SPACE SHIP with ALIEN 1 and ALIEN 2 look through the window.

GOLDIE

I want vegan seaweed.

PRINCESS PINK

Ok. One vegan seaweed pizza. Did you get that?

PIZZA GUY

Yep. One Thin Crust pizza. And a tuna, pepperoni and a vegan seaweed pizza. Thanks for your business.

HANG UP PHONES. **Pizza Guy** exits.

PRINCESS PURPLE

I love sleep overs.

ALL PRINCESSES

And we love being princesses!

PRINCESS PINK

I have an idea. Let's play dress-up. I have a treasure box of jewels.

All PRINCESSES try on jewelry in the mirror and play dance music. **PETS** frolic and chase a toy on the rug.

INT – STAGE LEFT PRINCESS BEDROOM

ALIEN 1 and ALIEN 2 appear stage right.

ALIEN 1

Earthlings love Ariana Grande.

ALIEN 2

And cute puppies. I want a puppy. And a cat.

ALIEN 1

Planet Zuzubar doesn't have any pets. Let's take these ones. We have lots of seaweed to feed the goldfish on Zuzubar.

ALIEN 2

Come here little dog. What's your name? Pups? Kiki.

ALIENS TAKE PETS and exit stage left.

INT. STAGE LEFT

PIZZA GUY knocks on the door.

PIZZA GUY

Pizza Man. Delivery!

PRINCESSES

Yay!

PRINCESS PINK walks to the door and takes the pizzas.

PRINCESS PURPLE and **PRINCESS GOLD** set up a picnic cloth for the pizza party.

PIZZA GUY

Here's you go.

PRINCESS PINK

Just a minute!

(gets her purse)

Thank you. Here's your tip.

PIZZA GUY leaves.

INT – PRINCESS BEDROOM

PRINCESS GOLD

This party is fun. I'll try the seaweed pizza.

PRINCESS PURPLE

Tuna. Pee-yew. Kiki where are you?

PRINCESS GOLD

Pups?

PRINCESS PINK is at the dresser where **GOLDIE's FISH BOWL** used to be.

PRINCESS PINK

Goldie's missing!

PRINCESSES search the room for the pets.

PRINCESSES

Goldie. Pups. Kiki.

LADY BLUE SKYE enters stage left.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Yoo Hoo! Hello? Has anyone seen my poodle Boo Bear? I took him for a walk and now he's missing.

PRINCESS GOLD

Kiki, Pups and Goldie are gone too.

PRINCESS PURPLE

What happened? All our pets are missing.

PRINCESS PINK

I know who to call.

PRINCESS PINK

(on phone)

Detective Riley. Come right away. Something terrible has happened at the castle. Our pets are missing.

DETECTIVE RILEY enters stage left.

DETECTIVE RILEY

Hello. I'm Detective Riley. Nice to meet ya. Nobody move. I'm looking for clues.

ALL PRINCESSES freeze.

DETECTIVE RILEY inspects various corners of the bedroom.

DETECTIVE RILEY

(to Princess Gold)

Were they in this room?

PRINCESS GOLD

(still frozen)

Yes. They were in this room.

DETECTIVE RILEY

Were they healthy?

PRINCESS PINK

(still frozen)

They were very healthy.

DETECTIVE RILEY

Were they frisky?

PRINCESS PURPLE

(still frozen)

Pups was extra frisky.

DETECTIVE RILEY

That leaves only one explanation. Relax everyone.

PRINCESSES and **LADY BLUE SKYE** relax and exhale. They all gather around **DETECTIVE RILEY**.

PRINCESS GOLD

Have you solved the mystery Detective Riley?

DETECTIVE RILEY

Yes. Your pets were stolen.

Everyone gasps.

DETECTIVE RILEY

(points up to the spaceship above window.)

By aliens

Everyone gasps.

PRINCESSES

No! Kiki! Pups!

Goldie! Come back.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Kuku Boo Bear, my baby boo boo!

ALIEN 1

They belong to us now.

EVERYONE

No!

ALIEN 1

We will bring them to Zuzubar.

ALIEN 2

Do not worry. We will love and care for them.

ALIEN 1

We will order tuna and seaweed pizza every Friday. Pizza Palace delivers to Zuzubar.

PIZZA GUY

(from window)

He's right. We do.

ALIEN 2

Good-bye earthlings. Thank you for your pets. They are cute.

PRINCESSES

No!!! Do something!

DETECTIVE RILEY

No worries. Meet my friends the ASTRONAUTS.

ASTRONAUTS enter.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Thank Jeepers! Save my poodle Boo Bear.

DETECTIVE RILEY

Quick. Build a rocket ship and knock out the alien's craft.

Hurry! There's not much time.

ASTRONAUT 1

At your service mam.

ASTRONAUTS take heap of poles and connectors and try to put them together.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Can you go faster? My Boo Bear has to poo poo and he hasn't had dinner yet.

ASTRONAUT 2

Going as fast as we can mam.

PRINCESS PINK

(to Detective Riley)

But it takes years of science and technology to build a rocket.

This isn't going to work.

DETECTIVE RILEY

Yea, but these guys are good.

ASTRONAUT 2

Actually we're not. Just guessing here.

EVERYONE

What?!

ASTRONAUT 1

Couple more years of community college and I'll have that math degree.

DETECTIVE RILEY

But you told me you were space engineers who could build a rocket ship.

ASTRONAUT 1

Gotta start somewhere.

Astronauts finish stacking up a rickety space ship.

ASTRONAUT 2

There it is. Fast, good and cheap.

ASTRONAUT 1

And it's not good.

PRINCESS PURPLE

Using logic that means this space ship is...

DETECTIVE RILEY

Fast and cheap.

PRINCESS PINK picks up broken pieces of the space ship.

PRINCESS PINK

This doesn't work. What will we do?

ALIEN 1

Good-bye earthlings. Thank you for your pets.

ALIENS 2

See you next lightyear.

DETECTIVE RILEY

Sorry I couldn't do better.

DETECTIVE RILEY and ASTONAUTS exit.

PRINCESSES and LADY SKYE fall down and weep.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Boo Boo. My precious Boo Boo Bear.

PRINCESS PINK

My Goldie.

PRINCESS PURPLE

Pups.

PRINCESS GOLD

Kiki. I miss the way she plays with my feet.

BASKETBALL PLAYER enters dribbling.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Why's everyone crying?

PRINCESS GOLD

Aliens came and took our pets.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

You mean those aliens?

PRINCESS PURPLE

Yes and the astronauts couldn't build a space ship fast enough to rescue them.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

No trouble at all. Watch this.

BASKETBALL PLAYER shoots ball and kits the space ship. The Kiki, Pups and Goldie fall out and land back in the bedroom.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Three points.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

(Gives pets back to princesses.)

One for you. You. And Goldie. I am in the WNBA.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Boo Boo Bear come down.

BOO BEAR

I want to see Zuzubar.

LADY BLUE SKYE

I said now! I need you Boo Bo Bear.

BOO BEAR

Alright.

BOO BEAR jumps out of space ship and lands in the bedroom.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Safe and home sweet home. Anyone got leftover pizza?

PRINCESS PINK

You can have all the pizza you want. Thanks for rescuing our pets.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Sure. I can do most anything I put my mind to. Math, science, painting, theater. Sometimes I even sing.

LADY BLUE SKYE

Thank you Ms. Basketball Player. Let's go home Boo Bear.

BOO BEAR

Arf! Arf!

LADY SKYE and BOO BEAR exit.

PRINCESS PINK

Would you like to stay for our sleepover?

BASKETBALL PLAYER

I'd love to. Y'all know TikTok? Renegade?
PRINCESSES and BASKETBALL PLAYER
Start to dance and take videos.

Lights FLASH. LOUD space ship NOISES.

ALIEN 1

Surrender your pets earthlings. Or you will die.

PRINCESS scream and clutch their pets.

ALIEN 2

This is your last chance to surrender peacefully. We will destroy your planet in 5-4-2-3-

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Hold up!

Lights stop flashing.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Hold up. What is it you really want?

ALIEN 1

We want pets too. Our planet only has aliens and seaweed.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

You should have said something. There are plenty of pets up for adoption at the shelter.

ALIEN 2

What do you mean “shelter”

BASKETBALL PLAYER

The rescue shelter is where you go to get pets that need a home. I’m also a veterinarian. I work there on weekends.

ALIEN 2

Are they as adorable as these pets?

BASKETBALL PLAYER

Of course. All kinds of cats, dogs, guinea pigs and maybe even a turtle.

LADY BLUE SKY leans her head in the window.

LADY BLUE SKYE

That’s where I got Boo Bear. Thank you Dr. Drizz.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

You’re welcome. Take care of the pets and they will take care of you.

ALIEN 1

Rescue shelters. We can learn much from these earthlings.

PRINCESS PURPLE

(to Aliens)

Before you fly back to Zuzubar would you like to have a picnic with us?

ALIENS join the others for a pizza party.

ALIEN 2 plays with Kiki and a cat toy.

ALIEN 1 throws a tennis ball. Pups fetches.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

I know a few dogs at the shelter who would love to play fetch in outer space.

ALIEN 1

This pizza is delicious. Tastes like tuna.

BASKETBALL PLAYER

(to ALIENS)

Come on. I'll take you to the shelter so you can adopt your own cat or dog.

ALIEN 2 plays with the cat toy himself. Kiki pounces on him.

ALIEN 2

So much fun!

ALIEN 1

And I love pizza.

PIZZA GUY leans in from the window.

PIZZA GUY

1-800-Pizza Universe. We now deliver to Zuzubar.

INT. BEDROOM

PRINCESS PINK

(yawns)

Let's go to bed. I'm tired. Party's over everyone.

ALIENS, BASKETBALL PLAYER, PIZZA MAN exit.

PRINCESS PURPLE

This was the best sleepover ever.

PRINCESSES snuggle under the covers.

PRINCESS PURPLE

I hope it wasn't all a dream.

Curtain closes.

NARRATOR

(Like The Twilight Zone)

And that's how the story ends. Three princesses. Having a sleepover. What they didn't expect was aliens landing and taking their pets. Or a famous WNBA player saving the day. But it all worked out.

EVERYONE

Because we worked together!

PUPS

Cheesy!

THE END