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The Three Billy Goats Gruff

Technical sheet and LIGHTING CUES
for Theatres and Art Centres



Playing Area

4 metres width by 4 metres depth 3.5 metres high

Sound

The show runs on one soundtrack to be cued by the technician. Garlic Theatre will provide the soundtrack and playing in music on a memory stick or on an ipad that can be connected to the theatre's sounddesk. If this is not possible, Garlic Theatre can bring their own sound equipment and cue the soundtrack.

Timings

The get in is 2 hours with a reasonable access to the performance space.

The performance is 46 minutes with time at the end to show puppets and answer any questions from the public

The get out time is 45 minutes.

Lighting States

Preset rose/red state for early morning.
3 focussed lights on the bridge, the mound and the mountain.
One light focussed on the performers in front of the set
Green Spot
Red State

Lighting Cues

After the show track starts then the rest of the lighting cues have the timings taken from the start of the soundtrack

There is a pre show event before the audience comes into the space.

Cue 1

Preshow rose/red state

Pre show music

Sometimes Iklooshar talks to the audience as they are waiting outside and welcomes them into the space

Are there any Billy Goats Waiting?
Would you like to come into my nice green field?
But beware the path is rocky. You have to hop from rock to rock like a Billy Goat!

Who thinks that they are a Big Billy Goat?
Who thinks they are a medium sized Billy Goat?
Who thinks they are a teeny tiny Billy Goat?

What is your name?
Bob
Welcome little Billy Goat Bob

The audience arrive. On clearance, Iklooshar will arrive onto the stage from the back of the auditorium.

Iklooshar enters with the sound of the wooden bells that she is wearing

Fade out preshow music

Cue 2

Fade up 3 focussed lights on the bridge, the mound and the mountain. One light focussed on the performers in front of the set. House lights at 50%

Opening clowning with piano accordion. Looks and playing and bleating.
Iklooshar
Did you hear a Billy Goat?

I am going to tell you a story about 3 Billy Goats.
On the word 3, Show soundtrack starts on full volume

*Enter Mark SR with fingers on side of head like horns
Mark and Iklooshar dance*

IK Billy Goats have horns like this. can you do that?
Ik shows horns on head with fingers

MARK And they go to sleep like this. Can you do that?
Mark sleeps on folded hands

IK And then they wake up and hop like this
Hop with hands
IK Until I say
MARK bananas (anything)
IK Until I say
MARK cars

IK I am going to sing you a song and when I sing my song all the Billy Goats go to sleep like this
And when I play the tune, the Billy Goats wake up

MARK and hop like this, hop hop hop. Can you do that?
Iklooshar sings the song and plays the accordion and stops the audience twice. Mark does the actions.

Iklooshar gives Mark the accordion and he puts it down SR. Iklooshar and Mark take the cowbells off

Cue 3 at 2.44
House lights fade out completely

Iklooshar Once there were 3 Billy Goats and they lived in Sweden near an old stone bridge.

IK A sparking river flowed under the bridge And on one side of the bridge there was a mountain where nothing grew but little thorn bushes.

MARK And on the other side of the bridge was a green flowery meadow.

Iklooshar and Mark look at the audience and Mark comes over to the mountain

M and IK, Rocks on the base, trees on mountain and big tree on top. Mark puts green leaf on the tree.

Mark and Ik go to the mound. Mark picks up the mound. There is nothing there. Ik brings up the green cloth and place it on the hill.

Cue 4 at 3.44
Fade up green special on the hill as the green cloth goes on

Places the second green cloth and flowers - giving Mark the last flower
IK and Mark put grey rocks either side of the bridge Ik puts the middle stone on the bridge.

Ik and M bring up the bullrushes and the bridge and Ik puts the town on backdrop

MARK AND IK *go to the front.* There's something missing. What's missing?

Ik pulls the river out of the back and both pull the river out and waft it 2 times. Mark splashes about in the water and wets the audience. Ik pulls down the blue silk cloth and brings up the frog.

IK Ribbit

Frog jumps around and then jumps down

Mark goes off slowly backwards

Sound of Billy Goats

Mark manipulates 3 Billy Goats travelling across the backdrop

Iklooshar comes forward and sneaks the frog behind the big bridge

IK Three Billy Goats lived in the mountains where nothing grew but little thorn bushes

Mark arrives SL

MARK The oldest was a big billy goat, with enormous great horns and he was called Hilly Billy because he liked climbing hills.

IK His brother was a middle sized Billy Goat and he was called Frilly Billy because he liked frilly things.

MARK The youngest was a tiny billy goat and he had....no horns at all. And he was called silly billy

IK because he was very silly.

IK People called them The Billy Goats ...

When we do this...can you say The Billy Goats Gruff?

Wait for it!...

Routine of movement 2 times and shouting out The Billy Goats Gruff

IK 3 Billy Goats lived on the mountain where nothing grew but little thorn bushes so sometimes they were hungry. They didn't mind

MARK and IK They were rough they were tough they were.... The Billy Goats Gruff x 2

MARK AND IK Bleat and go to the mountain. Goats appear one by one and stealing leaf routine and chase.

HILLY BILLY has his tail eaten Ow that's my tail...

M and IK come forward as Billy Goats

They were rough they were tough they were... The Billy Goats Gruff

IK Under the bridge there lived a

MARK Trolls in Sweden have long greasy hair, big noses

They both sniff around the bridge

IK And they stink of fish

Ik goes behind the bridge

IK This troll was very shy. So when he says hello to you will you say hello back? But remember he is Swedish and the Swedish for hello is Hej
So when the troll says Hej, you say Hej

*Troll routine on the bridge picking his toes, his nose and fishing
Frog comes up and gives the troll a toothbrush. He brushes his teeth, gives the toothbrush to the frog who brushes his hair. They both jump down together.*

*Iklooshar and Mark rustling of packets
Iklooshar drinks from a drink carton and Mark eats crisps*

IK People in the town used to cross this bridge to go for a picnic on the green flowery meadow
MARK They didn't know that a troll lived under the bridge because he was so shy.
Ik wants one of Mark's crisps and he gives her one

Mark chucks his crisp packet under the bridge. Ik looks at it – she finishes her drink carton looks at the audience and chucks it under the bridge

*Mark brings up old man puppet. He crosses the small bridge – Ik brings up the old woman They both cross to the green flowery meadow. Old man eats crisps, old woman eats smarties, puts her nose in the crisps They come back over and both chuck rubbish.
Troll Oi!*

*Mark brings up the little boy and crosses the small bridge. Girl comes up and follows him. She takes his chocolate wrapper and snatch it from each other, tug of war, girl wins and the wrapper drops under the bridge.
Troll Oi!*

Puppets leave. Mark brings up a big bag of rubbish and give Ik a shoe and then a squeaky toy. Mark empties whole bag into the river.

Troll comes up and sees the rubbish and searches through it – phwaugh. Girl comes up with another bit of rubbish and behind you routine

TROLL Oi No Rubbish Please...
Both scream...and run away

IK After that, nobody wanted to cross the old stone bridge. Rubbish piled up under the bridge and there were no more fish.
Iklooshar looks for fish in the rubbish and Mark sneaks the frog in a bag under it

IK Not one fish. They didn't like swimming in all that rubbish. Would you?
And now the troll wanted to catch a big fat juicy fish for his dinner en stor lacker fisk

*The troll comes on and looks for fish.
Mark manipulates the string bag with the frog in it and routine ending with Troll rescuing the frog and taking the bag off its head*

MARK The troll searched all morning but there were no fish

I am so hungry I could eat this (*eats rubbish*)
MARK The troll searched all afternoon, but there were no fish
I am so hungry I could eat this (*eats bridge*)
MARK The troll searched all evening, but there were no fish
Mark comes up to the bridge and troll sees him
I am so hungry I could eat you (*pulls Mark's nose*)

That's it If anybody crosses my bridge, I will eat them up!
Troll leaves.
Sound of goats
Mark manipulates the goats coming across the backdrop

Iklooshar comes forward
IK Meanwhile goats were hungry too. It had been 2 weeks since silly Billy had eaten that last green leaf
MARK But they didn't care, They were rough, they were tough they were... the Billy Goats Gruff!

Silly Billy comes out
Oooh nice grass
Filly Billy nice flowers
Hilly Billy Yummy
Filly Billy It's mine, it's mine, it's mine they chase to the front. Hilly Billy It's mine, it's mine, it's mine they go back to the mountain. It's mine they pause then fight

Swanee whistle
Silly Billy rises up. Trip Trap and crosses the bridge

TROLL Who is that trip trapping on my bridge?
Rises up
TROLL I am so hungry I could eat you up!

SILLY BILLY My brother is much tastier and bigger than me

TROLL Bigger?
Oh you are quite small. Smells delicious - shall I eat him? Go on then

Silly Billy goes to the meadow and eats grass.

Filly Billy rises up. Trip Trap and crosses the bridge

TROLL Who is that trip trapping on my bridge?
Rises up
I am so hungry I could eat you up!

FRILLY BILLY My brother is much tastier and bigger than me

TROLL Bigger?
Oh you are quite small. Shall I eat him? Go on then

Filly Billy goes to eat flowers and grass in the meadow with Silly Billy.

Hilly Billy rises up. Trip trap and crosses the bridge

TROLL Who is that trip trapping on my bridge?

Rises up

Hilly Billy Goat and Troll look at each other on bridge. Hilly Billy goes forward and troll goes backwards and slides down

TROLL I'm going to ... eat you....

Hilly Billy turns and tip traps away a few paces. Troll jumps onto the big goat 2 times and falls. Both the goat and the troll look at each other. Hilly Billy looks to the audience and then Troll looks at the audience. They look at each other quickly. Troll moves forward and Hilly Billy moves backwards

TROLL I'm going to eat you, you big fat juicy goat

Cue 5 at 32.51 A 30 sec fade to red state

Troll jumps onto goat misses and looks for Hilly Billy.

BIG goat rises up Troll jumps onto goat misses and looks for Hilly Billy. Hilly Billy tosses troll with his horns and IK and Mark go into the audience and back for Troll to fall into the water with a splash.

Cue 6

Fade up to the same as Cue 2 with the green special added

Hilly Billy stands on the middle of the bridge.

IK and MARK They were rough, they were tough, they were...The Billy Goats Gruff!

Hilly Billy goes across and Silly Billy goes to meet him They all dance around the mound and and go on top of each other and jump off to eat grass.

Ik and Mark celebrate. Mark notices the troll and tells Ik.

The troll comes up under the bridge, then up to the top

TROLL My nose my head, my finger

Troll sits on the bridge and cries. Frog comes up and gives troll a his hankkerchief. Troll wipes his eyes

TROLL Thank you

Troll and frog go down

IK The children from the town wanted to go and see the troll

Mark brings up the old woman and IK takes the girl and boy - they swap puppets and the children go to look around the bridge for the troll.

IK But all they could see was rubbish. So the children decided to clear it up.

MARK Look at all this rubbish what are we going to do with it?

Cue 7 at 27:10

House lights at 50%

Mark goes to get a bin. Ikloosha puts some rubbish in it.

IK and MARK have you got a bin?

MARK Here's a bin and you can put rubbish in it
Mark thinks and mimes making a bin and then putting rubbish in it.

MARK you have got a song about that haven't you?
IK Yes!

We have to walk up and down like this to find the rubbish – can you do that? And then you have to stop and think – what can I do with that? And scratch your chin – can you do that? And then decide to put the rubbish in the bin. So lets all walk up and down like this, stop and think and scratch your chin, now put the rubbish in the bin.

When you're walking up and down and there's rubbish on the ground you can stop for a moment and scratch your chin and put it in the bin.
There's some rubbish over here and some rubbish over there, so let's stop for a moment and scratch our chin and put it in the bin.

Iklooshar sings the verse one time without music
Have you got your bins everyone Let's walk up and down and find some rubbish. Let's go!
Sing bin song with music

When you're walking up and down and there's rubbish on the ground you can stop for a moment and scratch your chin and put it in the bin.
There's some rubbish over here and some rubbish over there, so let's stop for a moment and scratch our chin and put it in the bin.

Mark clears up rubbish.

When you're walking up and down and there's rubbish on the ground you can stop for a moment and scratch your chin and put it in the bin.
There's no rubbish over here and no rubbish over there, so lets walk around with a great big grin as our rubbish is in the bin
All clap!

Cue 8 at 40:11
Fade out house lights

Mark puts the bin away and manipulates the children excited
IK Fish swam in the clear blue water because nobody ever dropped rubbish under the old stone bridge ever again. Where is the troll?

Children hide

Troll comes out under the bridge and see the children - they hide a bit more and he comes up and thanks the children and then the audience.

Lots of fish go across and the troll looks down.

TROLL I'm so hungry

More fish appear and

Little boy comes and gives the troll a fish in a net

Exits.

MARK After that the troll let anyone cross his bridge whenever they liked.
TROLL You are all welcome!

Mark comes out with banner and Ik helps to put it up. Mark and Ik go to get goats and they go across. Little goat stays and boy jumps on and off goat. Girl comes on and troll says hi to the children and frog comes on and they dance

IK Every Midsummer the troll invited the children to share his dinner. And what did they eat? Fish...

MARK The goats were so happy after eating all that grass and what did they do - mime sleeping

Iklooshar picks up the accordion for the Song reprise

Show ends

IK And that is the story of the Troll

MARK and the billy goats gruff

MARK and IK go BAAAA!

They bow

Cue 9

House lights up

End of show and feeding of the Billy Goats

Preshow music