

A Night at the Museum Audition

AUDITION LINES

Henry & Mary Mackillop

Mary MacKillop: (*Gently*) What's got you so troubled, child?

Henry: (*Trying to catch his breath*) My friends... they got caught by the guards. And I... I don't know why, but I feel terrible. Wait, where do I know you from?
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Mary MacKillop: (*Kindly*) Mary MacKillop (*they shake hands.*) Sometimes our hearts feel heavy when we know something isn't right. Tell me more.

Henry: (*Hangs his head*) It's because I took the Tasman stone.

Mary MacKillop: It's important to have people who see the best in us, especially when we don't see it ourselves.

Henry: People don't usually see the best in me (*pauses and realises Sophia's actions earlier.*) But Sophia, she stood up for me.

Sophia, Oliver / Olivia & Octavius

Sophia: (*pacing*) We are going to be in so much trouble. I've never been in trouble. It's quite thrilling actually.

Oliver / Olivia: *(pats Sophia on the shoulder)* and here I was worried you were going to freak out that we have missed the bus?

Sophia: *(panicked)* Missed the bus? I can't breathe, who has a paper bag?

(Lucas / Lola pulls out a sandwich out of a paper bag and hands the bag to Sophia.)

[Octavius comes to life]

Octavius: You want to know what really works for me in moments of panic? Positive self-talk!

(talking to self) You are a strong independent Gladiator. You won't get eaten by a lion today, you've got this!

(to Sophia) Wanna try?

Sophia: *(to self)* You are a strong independent gladiator. You won't get eaten by a lion today?

(Panics further) Nope! Definitely not working.

(to self) I've had a mental break. For a second, I thought that statue was talking to me.

Ms. Snortlebottom & Museum Guide

Ms. Snortlebottom: *(Bouncing with excitement)* Good morning, my wonderful students!

Students: Good morning, Ms. Snortlebottom.

Ms. Snortlebottom: Today, we visit the marvellous museum of Mysteries and Wonders!

Students: *(Cheering)* Yay!

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Museum Guide: *(Smiling warmly)* Welcome, young scholars, I hope you're ready for a day filled with learning and discovery.

Ms. Snortlebottom: *(Beaming)* Ready? We were born ready! Lead the way, dear guide!

[class follows Museum Guide across stage.]

Museum Guide: Here we have the ancient Egyptian artefacts, including mummies like this Pharaoh Ramesses.

Ms. Snortlebottom: You know if we covered it in chocolate and nuts it would be a “Pharaoh Rocher.” Get it? *(awkward laugh followed by a snort)*

Guards 1 & 2

Guard 1: *(frantic)* You don’t understand! That wasn’t just any display. It was the Tasman Stone, a relic with immense power. If it’s disturbed, it could—

Guard 2: *(calmly interrupting)* Chill, man.

(To the kids) Let’s take this one step at a time. You ever seen Men in Black? That’s right, I’m like the guy who handles weird situations. Help me, help you!

Sophia: *(interrupting)* I know he might look like a naughty kid, but Henry didn’t touch anything.

Guard 1: *(anxiously)* We need to reverse whatever was triggered. The Tasman Stone is linked to—

Guard 2: *(cutting him off)* Enough with the doom and gloom.

(To the kids) Kids, we’re the ones who keep the museum safe from things that go bump in the night.

(He taps his sunglasses) We’re professionals.

Kangaroo & Koala (M.C Roo & K-O-ALA)

(Kangaroo & Koala Rap)

Kangaroo (now M.C. Roo): WE'RE THE COOLEST DUO FROM DOWN UNDER, I'M M.C. ROO, GOT THE MOVES LIKE THUNDER. WITH K-O-ALA, WE'RE HERE TO SHOW, OUR HIP HOP MOVES, LET THE RHYTHM FLOW!

Koala (now rapper K-O-ALA): FROM THE OUTBACK TO THE CITY STREETS, WE GOT THE HIP-HOP MOVES TO GET YOU ON YOUR FEET. SLIDE TO THE LEFT, JUMP TO THE RIGHT, WE ARE GON-NA DANCE ALL NIGHT!

M.C Roo and K-O-ALA: HIT IT!

Lucas / Lola & Cowgirl / Cowboy Jesse

Cowgirl / Cowboy Jessie: Howdy, partners! Welcome to the Wild West! I'm Jessie, the rootinest, tootinest cowgirl / cowboy this side of the Mississippi!

Lucas / Lola: Hi, Jessie! We just came from dancing on the moon with Neil Armstrong.
(does Michael Jackson moonwalk)

Cowgirl / Cowboy Jessie: Well, y'all must be some mighty fine dancers then! Out here in the Wild West, we got our own kinda moves.

Lucas / Lola: Really? Can you show us?

Cowgirl / Cowboy Jessie: You betcha! But first, how about we get to know a bit about life in the Wild West? Does anyone know why cowboys ride horses? Well, they're too heavy to carry of course.

Emperor Ming

Emperor Ming: Why the heavy breathing?

Lucas / Lola: Oh, we are just running away from the guards.

(Realises who he is talking to) Wait, you can talk too?!

Year 1/2: We sure can.

Emperor Ming: Welcome young grasshoppers. My name is Emperor Ming, Kung Fu Master and Builder of Great Walls.

Year 1/2: We think we may be of service.

Sophia: And how's that? *(With attitude)*

Emperor Ming: The Tasman Stone has woken and the museum's artifacts are no joke. We can teach you Kung Fu. Protect yourself from dangers near and far.

Neil Armstrong

Neil Armstrong: One small step for man, one giant leap for... Hey there, kids!

Lucas / Lola: Whoa, you can talk too! This museum is awesome.

Oliver / Olivia: Mr. Armstrong, what was it like to walk on the moon?

Neil Armstrong: It was out of this world, literally! Walking on the moon was like dancing among the stars.

Sally: Dancing? Like, actual dancing?

Neil Armstrong: Absolutely! How about I show you a special dance we astronauts call "Reach for the Stars"?