

JOURNEYS
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Cast

Josh Acreman -----	Shrek
Rebecca Burry-----	Princess Daisy
Nick Ennis -----	Prince Charming
Toni Marie Harris-----	Fairy Godmother/ Librarian/Bully
Meghan Hickey -----	Red Riding Hood/ Megan
Emma Hussey-----	Princess Lily
Olivia Parsons -----	Captain Hook/ Olivia
Mackenzie Rose -----	Goldilocks/ Trudy

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Be careful what you wish for ----- or win!
Follow the zany fairytale characters as they travel to our world on a journey of self -
discovery.

Scene 1

Lights up

Fairy Godmother: Welcome back to Fairytale Got Talent! We will be soon announcing our grand winners! We will now hear from our judges.

Red Riding Hood: The winning performance was just as good as my grandma's cookies!

Captain Hook: I'd make dem walk the plank if it was me to choose!

Goldilocks: It was just right! Not too long, not too short, not too sad, not too funny . . . just right!

Fairy Godmother: The winner is . . . oh my! We have a tie! The winner's are Shrek and Prince Charming and the princess sisters!

Prince Charming: Well duh! Look at me, I'm awesome!

Princesses: Thank you everyone. We're so happy!

Shrek: *(speaking to Red Riding Hood)* Good! If I didn't win, it would be you, not your grandma, that would be in trouble.

Fairy Godmother: Oh, do I have surprise for you winners. The grand prize is a journey! . . .

Princesses: Candyland?!

Fairy Godmother: A necessary journey.

Lights down, coloured lights and sound effects

Scene 2

Lights up – characters stumble in.

Princess Daisy: Where are we?

Trudy: Shhhhh! *(Whispered)* We're in a library!

Shrek: Talk about wrong turns! *(Grabs Prince)* Were you leading the way!

Prince: I should have been leading the way! Onward, we'll try again!

Princess Lily: *(Looking in a mirror)* The travel didn't seem to affect me too much. I still look great and that is more important than location.

Trudy: Are you guys for real?

Prince: How dare you question your superiors! Do you know who I am?

Olivia: I know who you look like, but it doesn't make sense.

Shrek: I can make sense of it for ya! *(Raises fist)*

Princess Daisy: Stop! That won't help, now let's get going!

(Librarian enters)

Librarian: Oh there you are. I was told to expect you. Welcome to high school.

Princess Daisy: What?! This isn't a mistake?!

Prince: This was the prize?! What about a wonderful journey?!

Librarian: You are right where you are supposed to be.

Shrek: Well that is the last time I let Donkey talk me into entering a contest!

Princess Daisy: This is terrible! Already the air is affecting my hair!

Princess Lily: We can't stay here for long. Imagine what we would look like!

Prince: Wait! Maybe we are needed here. Maybe this is a quest. A prince is required. I am ready to serve . . . onward!

(The readers get up to leave)

Prince: Where are you going?

Trudy: Uh, Science class.

(Prince motions to Shrek and the Princesses to follow)

Prince: Come, we are ready for the quest!

Olivia: OK, I guess. But try to blend in.

Shrek: No problem!

(They all exit; stage lights down.)

Scene 3

(Stage lights up; characters enter)

- Shrek:** *(Shrek tapping chest and burping.)* That was a tasty class!
- Prince:** Tasty! I was releasing those poor frogs to be heroic! And between you eating them and the princesses kissing them, it was awful!
- Princess Daisy:** Hey, we thought the frogs might turn into a prince.
- Princess Lily:** *(Looking at Prince in disgust)* A real prince!
- Trudy:** You guys are in so much trouble! It's a good thing they thought you were exchange students and went easy on you. Stay here, we'll come back for you later.
- Meghan:** Where did you find these guys?!
- Olivia:** Don't ask; just watch them. We're going to be late for Math class.
- Prince:** We've failed our quest. How could this have happened? *(Face in hands – looks up)* But at least I am still handsome.
- Princess Daisy:** Who cares about the quest! I forgot my brush! And the frogs were just frogs.
- Princess Lily:** My hair, just look at my hair!
- Shrek:** Why can't you guys just be quiet?!
- Librarian:** Shhhhh! Everybody in the library is supposed to be quiet.
- Prince:** Do you know who I am?
- Librarian:** Doesn't matter. The rules apply to everyone.
- Prince:** I am not everyone – peasant!
- Librarian:** Where are your manners?
- Princess Lily:** Where is your fashion sense? *(The two princesses laugh and high five.)*
- Librarian:** Are you having a bad day?
- Prince:** Yes a terrible day! We failed our quest and no one is listening to me. Why isn't anyone listening to me?

Shrek: It's all your fault! You just had to release those tasty treats.

Prince: At least I am not green with anger issues.

Princess Daisy: *(to Librarian)* Our day was worse than theirs.

Princess Lily: We kissed twenty-seven frogs and not one was a prince!

Shrek: What kind of prize was this? This was horrible!

Princess Daisy: We want to go home.

Princess Lily: Now!

Meghan: *(looking at the librarian)* Hey you were expecting them! Do you know how to help? Do you know how they can get home?

Prince: Of course! Why didn't I think of that?

Librarian: All I know is that your are here until you complete a journey; a necessary journey.

(The princesses start to cry. The readers return from Math class)

Trudy: What happened? What's wrong?

Olivia: What have you done now?

Prince: We're stuck here. We don't know what to do and I can't find my mirror.

Trudy: What do you mean - stuck here?

Princess Daisy: *(Losing her temper)* Oh my fairy godmother! We're stuck here, we have to go on this stupid journey and I never packed my lip gloss!

Olivia: Calm down! It's not so bad.

Princess Lily: Not so bad! It's so confusing here. There are no happy endings. You can't tell the good guys from the bad! And the Librarian is driving us crazy!

Shrek: Do you ever stop talking?! Do you think this is a walk in the swamp for me? The chairs are too small! And try blending in if you are green. I've only managed one tasty snack since we've got here.

Prince: At least you guys weren't special where you came from. Imagine me. I'm royalty! Picture my adjustment to this place!

Princesses: Who says we're not royalty?!

Shrek: Royalty, Schmoyalty! My swamp tops your pathetic castles and this place.

Meghan: Guys! Break it up! Fighting won't get you anywhere.

Trudy: I know it is different here for you, but complaining won't help.

Olivia: We'll help you get home, but you have to stop bickering.

Princess Daisy: We're sorry. We are not usually so ill mannered.

Princess Lily: We just want to go home. *(She starts crying.)*

Trudy: Don't cry, it will be all right.

Meghan: Don't worry. We'll help figure this out.

Olivia: At least you have us.

Princess Daisy: We just miss our castle and the animals.

Princess Lily: Happy endings and our dresses!

Shrek: I can't believe I am saying this, but I miss Donkey.

Trudy: I know. We'll get you home.

Olivia: We don't know exactly how yet.

Meghan: We could send you back by magic or something!

Shrek: That would be great *(yells)* if we had any magic!

Princess Daisy: What about a magical wand?

Meghan: Unfortunately in the real world, we don't have magic wands.

Prince: We're not going anywhere! There's no way back!

Meghan: We'll figure out something.

Trudy: In the meantime, you should try to get involved.

Olivia: Yeah, you can't spend all day just sitting in the library.

Trudy: Princesses, I'm on my way to spend time with a large number of girls.

Princess Daisy: That sounds like fun . . . a tea party?

Trudy: Volleyball actually, but come along!

Princess Lily: Maybe volleyball is like a tea party!

(Trudy leaves with the princesses following.)

Olivia: Prince, drama might be just the place for you. We have try-outs today – come with me.

Prince: Onward!

(Olivia leaves with the prince following. A bully enters and approaches Meghan)

Bully: Are you reading the dictionary for fun again?! *(pokes at Meghan)* You got my science assignment finished yet.

Meghan: I am not doing your assignment for you! Do your own!

(Bully grabs the shirt of Meghan)

Bully: What did you say twerp?!

(Shrek grabs bully.)

Shrek: Would you like to find your assignment in next week? ‘Cause that’s where you’re going!

Meghan: No Shrek! Let him go!

(The bully runs away.)

Shrek: That’ll show him.

Meghan: But Shrek, you do that all the time. You’re no better than he is.

Shrek: What do you mean?

Meghan: The first thing you do when something doesn’t go your way is grab and threaten.

Shrek: I do?

(The princesses return with Trudy; the princesses are really happy.)

Princess Daisy: Wow that was great! I never thought I'd wear the same outfit as everyone else!

Princess Lily: We don't even have makeup on!

Trudy: Yeah you guys were really good. Volleyball is definitely your sport!

Princess Daisy: What fun! I'd volleyball everyday.

Princess Lily: That was the most fun I've had since the ball.

Trudy: Well I'm really glad you guys enjoyed it.

(The prince returns with Olivia; he is very indignant.)

Prince: Can you imagine?! They didn't give me the leading role! Me; the most handsome!

Meghan: Prince, what are you talking about?

Prince: They gave a simple peasant the leading role. He wasn't even handsome!

Shrek: Was he green?

Olivia: But Prince, you have an important part.

Prince: But it is not the most important part!

Princess Daisy: Well on our volleyball team, everybody has a different part, but every part is needed.

Princess Lily: Maybe your part is more important than you think.

Olivia: Yeah Prince. Maybe you'll enjoy it if you just go back again.

Prince: All right, but I won't be having any fun.

Olivia: Way to stay open-minded !

(Prince and Olivia leave.)

Princess Daisy: Wow being part of a team made me feel great!

Princess Lily: I didn't think I'd ever feel happy in this place.

Shrek: I wish I'd enjoy something. There is nothing in this world for me.

Meghan: There are lots of opportunities here for you.

Shrek: Like what?! Nobody likes me because I am green.

Trudy: Ahh, I don't think it is your color.

Meghan: People would like you more if you were less aggressive. Just be nicer.

Shrek: You mean . . gentle . . . and soft . . . like a bog?

Princesses: Yes, Yes exactly!

Shrek: Really?

All except Shrek: Absolutely!

Meghan: I have an idea. Come to Kindergarten duty with me.

(Shrek leaves with Meghan. The Prince and Olivia enter)

Prince: Guess what? I am just as important! My role is small, but it is vital to the story.

Olivia: I told you that going back would pay off. Your part is totally needed. Without you the play wouldn't make sense.

Prince: In a play, even little parts contribute to the story. No one is more vital than anyone else.

Librarian: Wow! It looks like you've learned something new today.

Prince: Yes.

Librarian: Excellent! So tell me prince, are you still superior? Are you better than everyone else?

Prince: Well I am better than everyone else but everyone has value. All of us play an important role. Maybe in life too!

Librarian: Nicely said. And princesses, you seem different somehow.

Princess Daisy: Well at home I always worried about being perfect . . . well looking perfect.

Princess Lily: Maybe inner happiness makes everyone beautiful.

Librarian: Here comes Shrek.

(Shrek enters with Meghan)

Shrek: Ah, the wee little ones were cute. And none of them were scared of me.

Meghan: What was there to be scared of? You were as mushy as a bog.

Librarian: Shrek, it looks like you've learned a valuable lesson as well. I guess your journeys are complete.

Prince, Princesses and Shrek: What!?!

Princess Daisy: But we never went anywhere!

Princess Lily: How could we have gone on a journey?

Shrek: Yeah, we spent most of our time here at this library. What kind of journey is that?

Librarian: But you learned very valuable life lessons. That was the journey I chose for you all.

Prince: You?!

Librarian: Recognize me? *(She takes out her wand.)*

Princesses: Fairy Godmother!!!

Olivia: I never saw THAT coming!

Shrek: *(beginning to get angry)* Ya tricked us, you could have saved us all this trouble! *(He takes deep breaths and speaks in a calmer voice.)* Oh, I mean, why did you do it?

Fairy Godmother: To make you the best you can be. You will return home new and improved. This was the journey you needed. So, ready to leave?

Princesses: Wait! *(The princesses run over to hug the readers.)* Thank you so much!

Prince: Yes. Thank you for everything. Imagine, peasants like you so necessary in our journey.

Trudy: Glad we could be a part of this.

Olivia: It is not everyday that the books come alive for us.

Shrek: AWWW! Group hug!

(Lights down. All fairy tale characters disappear. Lights up. The readers look around)

Olivia: Wow!

Meghan: I know. That was unbelievable!

Trudy: No one would believe it.

Olivia: I am not sure that I believe it. And I was here!

Trudy: It kind of makes you wonder doesn't it?

Meghan: About what?

Trudy: Are we all here to learn something? What is our journey?

(Lights out.)