

# Pop, Poppity, Pop!

A Readers' Theater About the Senses

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*This readers' theater skit takes place in a park. There, a group of hungry friends have just wrapped up a game of kickball. Use your senses to imagine what happens when the peddler and her grandchild suddenly, um, pop in to grant a wish. Don't forget to read with expression and*



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Character

- Voice One
- Voice Two
- Voice Three
- Voice Four
- Voice Five
- Voice Six
- Peddler (girl)
- Grandchild (girl)

**All Voices:** Woo-hoo! Great game!

**Voice One:** Boy, I really worked up an appetite playing kickball. I'm super-duper hungry.

**Voice Two:** Me, too.

**Voice Three:** Me three.

**Voice Four:** I wish we had a yummy snack to share.

**Voice Five:** Yep, something light and fluffy. Like popcorn.

**Voice Six:** Yeah, something crunchy and munchy. Like popcorn.

**Voice One:** Right, something buttery and salty—

**All Voices:** Like popcorn.

**Voice Two:** Exactly! A snack exactly—

**All Voic**

**Voice T**

**Voice F**



**Voice Five:** Out here in the park?

**All Voices:** It's impossible, hopeless, and ridiculous.

**Voice Five:** You got that right.

**Voice Six:** It would take magic.

**Voice One:** Hey, do you see what I see?

**Voice Two:** Where?

**Voice Three:** There. Way, waaaay down the street.



**Voice Four:** Is that a peddler wheeling her cart?

**Voice Five:** Yep. And a little girl's skipping next to her.

**Voice Six:** I wonder what's inside that rickety, old, red cart.

**Voice One:** Hey, the peddler's waving to us.

**Voice Two:** She's grinning ear to ear.

**Voice Three:** Like she has a sweet surprise.

**Peddler:**  sound.

**Grandchild:**

**Voice T**



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**All Voices:** We can hear it.

**Grandchild:** Pop, poppity pop!

**Peddler:** Shiny kernel pops up fluffy. Crispy, crunchy, plump and puffy.

**Voice Five:** I can see it.

**All Voices:** We can see it.

**Grandchild:** Pop, poppity pop!

**Peddler:** Buttery aroma drifts your way. Snag a whiff with me today.

## Voice Six: I can smell it.

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**All Voices:** We can smell it.

**Grandchild:** Pop, poppity pop!

**Peddler:** It shakes and rattles and rolls my cart. This rockin' and rollin' warms my heart.

**Voice One:** I can feel it.

**All Voices:** We can feel it. Pop, poppity pop!

**Grandchild:** Pop, poppity pop!

**Peddler:**

**Voice T**

**Voice T**



**All Voices:** Well...

**Peddler:** Well?

**Voice Four:** Well? May we taste it?

**Peddler:** One and all, gather 'round. Dive into this popcorn mound.

**Grandchild:** Pop, poppity pop!

**Voice Five:** I can taste it.

**All Roles:** We can taste it. Yum, yum, yum!



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## A Readers' Theater About the Senses

Describe what popcorn LOOKS like.



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Describe what popcorn SOUNDS like.



Describe



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Describe what popcorn FEELS like.



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Describe what popcorn TASTES like.



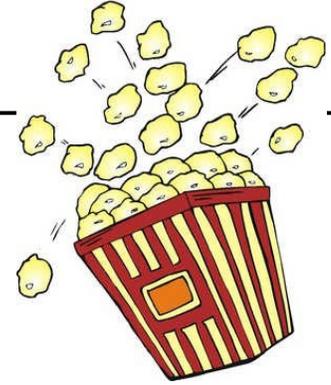
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## Vocabulary



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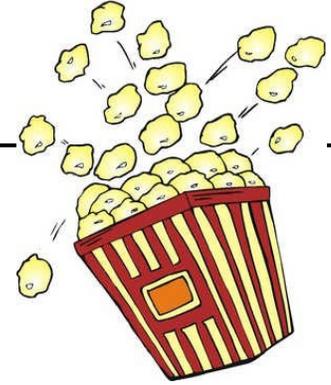
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c. a magical person      d. someone who sells things

2. I wa



3. A buttery aroma drifts your way.  
a. feeling      b. taste  
c. smell      d. warmth
4. Dive into this popcorn mound.  
a. pile      b. bag  
c. cart      d. box
5. I really worked up an appetite playing kickball.  
a. sweat      b. hunger  
c. tired feeling      d. energy

## ANSWER KEY



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c. tired feeling      d. energy