



Interrupting Vanessa

by Colleen Neuman

Directed by Anthony Runfola

Scenic Design by Katharina Hantke

Costume Design by Liz Ihlenfeld

Sound Design by Anthony Runfola

Lighting Design by Michael Eddy

The Cast

Vanessa. Yolonda London
 Mom. Jodie L. Weiss
 Dad. Steven Scally
 Timmy Fibbins. Eric Zaklukiewicz

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Childsplay's Student Activity Guide For Interrupting Vanessa

Today you saw a production of *Interrupting Vanessa*, performed by Childsplay. Here are some things to think about and some activities to do now that you've seen the show!

Tell your family and/or friends about the play!

- Who were the four characters? Which character was your favorite and why? What did the characters do? What was your favorite part of the play?
- Talk about the costumes, scenery, props, and music that were used in the production. Draw pictures to help describe the different costumes and scenery.
- Talk about Vanessa: What problems does she deal with in the play?
- Talk about Timmy: What problems does he deal with in the play?

Vanessa and her dad like to tell jokes. Try out these "Knock, Knock" jokes on your friends and family!

- Knock, knock. Who's there? Cow says. Cow says who? Cow says moo, not who!
- Knock, knock. Who's there? Beets. Beets who? Beets me!
- Knock, knock. Who's there? Little old lady. Little old lady who? I didn't know you could yodel!
- Knock, knock. Who's there? Dwayne. Dwayne who? Dwayne the bathtub I'm dwooning!

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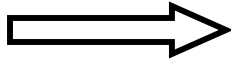
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Fill in the
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 Answers:
 Junk
 peanut
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 newspaper
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 Mrs. Wing
 horses
 made-up
 room

Find the

hidden words:

junk, vanessa, joke, boom,
play, theater, cupcake,
stuff, interrupting, dad,
mom, timmy,
peanut butter,



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Write one of your own
"Knock, Knock" jokes
and share it with a
friend!

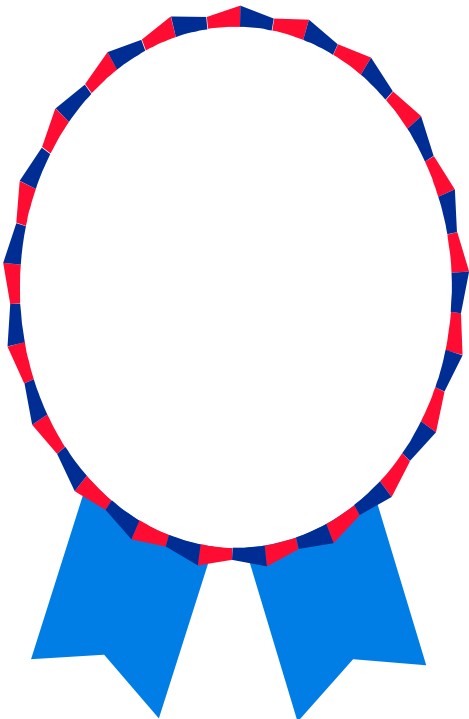
"Knock, knock."

"Who's there?"

_____, who?

_____!

Vanessa imagines that she gets a
"Best Speller Medal" from the
President. If you could receive
any kind of medal from any
person what would you get it for
and who would give it to you?
Decorate your own special
medal below:



Fill in the Blanks!

Vanessa loves her "stuff". She gets upset because her mom calls it
"_____".

Timmy Fibbins threw up his _____ sandwich at
school.

Vanessa's dad reads the _____ and listens to her at the
same time.

Vanessa trades her peanut butter sandwich for a _____
cupcake.

Timmy and Vanessa are both very fond of their teacher
_____.

Vanessa makes up a story about riding _____ on her ranch.

In the play, Vanessa's mom is real and her dad is _____.

At the end of the play, Vanessa's mom says she doesn't have to clean
up her stuff as long as she keeps it in her _____.