

OUR FIRST SPRING

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INTRODUCTION

Thank you for looking at this sample from 'OUR FIRST SPRING', a simple springtime performance suitable for ages 3-7.

There are two different scripts that can be used to stage this simple 6 song musical. They both tell the same story, but in slightly different ways:

- **FULL SCRIPT:** This is a simple rhyming script which has spoken parts for dozens of children, though it can easily be adapted to be performed with just a handful of children if required. Character masks are included for every part to save you time.
- **SIMPLE SCRIPT:** The simple script tells the story entirely through narrators. This script has been designed so that even the youngest of children can appreciate and understand the story. It can be performed with or without actors, costumes, scenery, etc, and can therefore be extremely easy to stage. With this in mind the following cast list is intended for the FULL SCRIPT version.

CAST LIST FOR FULL SCRIPT

<i>Part</i>	<i>Details</i>
Narrator/s	In total there are twenty-two narrators' verses in the script. Each verse has four lines. Therefore, there is the potential to have as few or as many narrators as you want.
Chick	The little chick is on stage the whole time. She speaks on several occasions, but a lot of these lines are repetitive, meaning she only has 7 lines to learn in total.
Sun	The sun has 7 lines.
Swallow	The swallow has 8 lines.
Lamb	The lamb has 2 lines.
Sheep	The sheep has 4 lines.
Calf	The calf has 2 lines.
Cow	The cow has 4 lines.
Bee	The bee has 8 lines.
Wolf	The wolf has 4 lines.
Owl	The owl has 6 lines.
Hen	The hen has 4 lines.
Optional Extras	Extra animals. You can easily include extra chicks, lambs, calves, swallows and bees. You can also have children dressed as flowers for song 5.

TIMING: If you stick exactly to the script, this performance should take about 15 minutes. However, you can easily shorten or lengthen the production by up to 10 minutes either way. Suggestions of ways to achieve this are included in the material that you will receive.

POWERPOINT: A PowerPoint presentation is also included to illustrate each section of the story.

OUR FIRST SPRING: Full Script Version

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NARRATOR: Once upon a time, on an animal farm,
Under some hay, in a cosy barn,
A little egg, the last of a batch,
Found it was nearly time to hatch.

Its brothers and sisters, days before,
Had hatched and now gone to explore,
From the nest they had all flown,
Leaving this one poor egg all alone.

And then the egg wobbled... WOBBLE, WOBBLE, WOBBLE!
And then the egg shook... SHAKE, SHAKE, SHAKE!
And then the egg cracked... CRACK, CRACK, CRACK!
And out came a little chick... CHEEP, CHEEP, CHEEP!

The egg had hatched because it was now spring,
The little chick yawned and stretched her wings,
She fluttered her feathers and shook everything,
Then started to dance, jump and sing!

SONG 1 **Spring Chick**

I'm a little spring chick, cheep, cheep, cheep,
Here's my two wings, here's my beak... *etc...*

NARRATOR: The little chick left the safety of the barn,
She wanted to explore the rest of the farm,
Outside there was so much to take in,
Sounds and smells, so much happening.

Yet what caught the chick's attention instead,
Was the warmth and light from overhead,
The chick looked up and the sun smiled down,
Sharing wonderful heat all around.

CHICK: You make me feel warm, but what are you?

SUN: I'm the sun, and I'm warm, it's true,
But I can also make things very hot,
I light each day, the world likes me a lot.

Today I'm smiling, I'm so happy now,
For winter is over and spring has come round,
Days are getting longer; I can shine more and more,
As long as April showers don't start to pour!

SONG 2 **Wintertime Is Over**

VERSE 1: Wintertime is over, over, over,
 Wintertime is over, spring is here.

CHORUS: Spring, spring, spring is here,
 Spring, spring, spring is here.

VERSE 2: Days are getting longer... *etc...*

NARRATOR: Suddenly the sun was blocked out,
 By a strange cloud which swirled about,
 You see, it was no ordinary cloud,
 But a huge flock of birds, flying proud.

 The little chick wanted to fly with them too,
 She flapped her wings, but it wouldn't do,
 She couldn't fly up into the air,
 So, one of the birds flew down to see her.

CHICK: Hello, I'm a little chick; I'm friendly and fun,
 I'm bright and yellow as the sun,
 I'm covered in feathers from my head to tummy,
 And I just want to know... are you my mummy?

SWALLOW: No, I'm not your mummy, I'm a swallow,
 When spring arrives, we have to follow,
 Our way back here from overseas,
 To make summer homes in your country's trees.

 When winter comes, we'll head south again,
 We don't like winter's snow, wind and rain,
 Now my flock of birds is moving away,
 Goodbye, I hope you find your mum today.

NARRATOR: As the chick watched the swallows disappear,
 From her eyes came a tiny tear,
 She decided that she would try and try,
 To somehow, one day, make herself fly.

SONG 3 **Flying Home For Spring**

 We are flying home for spring,
 Home for spring, home for spring...*etc...*

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The sun was very happy now,
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 "No, I'm not your mummy," sung the swallow,
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