

TERRI AND THE TURKEY

A radio play extended and adapted by Turkey AGE Drama School from the text by Wade Bradford (The author grants permission for anyone to use this short play for educational and/or amateur purposes).



SCENE 1

Music

Narrator: TURKEY AGE drama school presents “Terri and the turkey”, a story by Wade Bradford and Turkey Age drama school. Original music by Víctor Escaso.

Thanksgiving. A time of joy and celebration. Of food, relaxation, and family. A day beloved by everyone. Everyone that is except...for the animals!

(A Turkey named Tom walks on stage left, flapping his wings.)

Tom: Gobble, gobble! Good morning, friends!

Cow: Moo, moo!

Sheep: Baa, baa!

Pig: Oink, oink!

Rooster: Cock-a-doodley-doo!

Cat 1 and 2: Meow-meow!

Horse: Neigh-neigh!

Dog: Woof-woof!

Tom: Well, we are in the same mood!

Cow: Humans included.

Sheep: Today is Thanksgiving

Horse: I can rest in the barn for the whole day on July 4th, I love it!

Pig: I love that celebration too...it is much better than July 4th.

Rooster: July 4th smells like bacon

Pig: I gotta get out of this farm before July 4th

Cat 1 and 2: They will eat you for dinner! meow-meow! ha ha ha

Tom: What celebration, pig?

Pig: Thanksgiving...Humans celebrate their arrival to this land by eating turkey.

Cow: And vegetables, they give me the leftovers.

Tom: A turkey? What is a turkey?

Cow: YOU are a turkey

Tom: No, I am not. I am not a turkey, I am...Tom.

Dog: Woof-woof! I love running behind you and scaring the hell out of you because you are a turkey, Tom!

Horse: You are not a horse!

Cat 1 and 2: You are not as lovely as we are!

Sheep: Baa, baa, baa... What kind of animal do you think you are Tom?

Tom: An animal! gobble gobble

Sheep: Baa, baa, baa..I am a sheep

Cow: Moo, moo! I am a cow

Pig: Oink, oink! I am fried bacon...I mean, I am a pig

Dog: Woof-woof! Bacon! Turkey! (he imagines the meat and starts drooling)

Rooster: Cock-a-doodley-doo! I am a rooster and you are a turkey!

Tom: A turkey? so...does it mean that...they are gonna eat me?

Pig: Yes, Tom, that's what Thanksgiving is about, my friend.

Tom: But I thought it is a day to spend with loved ones for giving thanks.

Pig: A day to spend with loved ones to eat turkey.

Tom: Gobble, gobble!

Cow: Every year, they take the best turkey to put it in the oven.

Sheep: First, they chop off the head!

Pig: Then, they pluck the feathers!

Rooster: They pull out the innards!

Pig: Everything is covered with blood!

Tom: They will never do that to me! They love me!

Cat 1 and 2: They will eat you for dinner! meow-meow! ha ha ha

Cow: Humans can love you and eat you at the same time!

Dog: I can love you and eat you too!!

Horse: Dogs are like wolves!

Pig: First, they see you as a cute friend but later...oink, oink, they see you as a tasty snack!

Tom: I am sorry, my friends, I think you are wrong...I am the guest of honor in their party. They are having me fitted for a suit. Every day they take the meter and measure my size.

Sheep: Yes, they measure your size to see if you fit in the oven.

Rooster: Tom, we are your friends, believe us! You are their meal!

Tom: Gobble, gobble!

Cat 1 and 2: They will eat you for dinner! meow-meow! ha ha ha

Narrator: Dear listeners! What do you think will happen? Will Tom be part of the meal? Will he be the guest of honor? Will he get out of the farm together with Pig? Stay tuned! Don't miss our next episode!!

Music