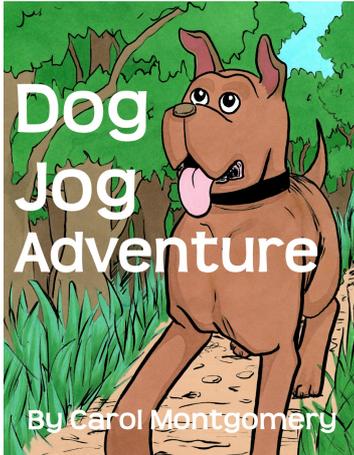


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Here is an excerpt from the beginning of this free Readers Theater script:

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Narrator: "Dog Jog Adventure." Adapted from a true story.

Brother: Looks like you're going jogging again, Sis.

Sister: Yup. But, I want to take the dogs this time.

Brother: Not ALL THREE dogs at the same time...

Sister: Why not? I'm bigger and stronger now. And, the Danes are older.

Brother: And BIGGER and STRONGER, too!

Sister: We'll be fine. You know Mom and Dad don't want me jogging alone. Do YOU want to come along?

Brother: I'll catch up with you soon. Are you taking the same route?

Sister: Sure am.

Brother: Okay, you go on ahead and I'll catch up with you. I have a feeling you may be in for a surprise.

Sister: Oh, are you planning a surprise party for me?

Brother: You wish! It's not even your birthday yet.

Sister: I know. Do you want me to wait for you?

Brother: Nah. I just want to snatch a snack and the camera. I'll be following you before you get to the red barn.

Narrator: So Sister grabbed the three dog leashes and a couple of delicious dog biscuits. The three dogs jumped, slobbered, and whined to go outside. Sister snapped the leashes on the collars and opened the front door. Two leashes dashed out first--pulled by the Great

Dane brothers, Max and Mustard. Holding all three leashes tightly, Sister raced out behind them with the old mutt, Muffin.

Sister: Come on, Muffin! It looks like Max and Mustard have a plan.

Narrator: Unfortunately for Sister, Max and Mustard DID have a plan.....adventure! The Great Dane brothers towed Sister and Muffin down the road—fortunately in the right direction. Sister called...

Sister: Hey, guys! Remind me to take you to obedience school one at a time, okay?

Narrator: Muffin the Mutt never passed obedience school and the Great Dane brothers had never been. As Great Danes, Max and Mustard were tremendous in size and strength. Their powerful pull on the leashes accelerated, dragging Sister and Muffin behind.

Sister: Max! Mustard! Slow down! It's NOT a race.

Narrator: But, the big dogs continued to yank on their leashes, forcing Sister to run faster. The wind sang through her bouncing hair and Sister laughed out loud.

Sister: *(laughs)* All I need is wheels and we'd be on Mr. Toad's Wild Ride.

Narrator: Sister didn't know how prophetic she was! They passed the red barn just as Max and Mustard discovered...

Sister: No! No! No! (Continued...)

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