**WHY GIRAFFES HAVE LONG NECKS**

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| THE CAST | |
| THE NARRATOR  THE GIRAFFE  THE LION  THE MONKEY  THE ELEPHANT  BABY ANTELOPE  THE TREE | .....  .....  .....  .....  .....  .....  ..... |

PROPS

A tree (which is an adult)

**Music:ethnic African music**

**(When the actors are ready, music off and stage lights on)**

THE SCRIPT

**Scene: the African Savannah**

**Backdrop: the African Savannah**

THE NARRATOR

A long, long time ago giraffes did not have long necks. This is the story about how giraffes got long necks.

**(Giraffe is walking around holding hER stomach and looking sad.)**

LION

Giraffe! What’s the matter?

GIRAFFE

I’ve got tummy ache.

MONKEY

Eat some honey.

**(Giraffe sticks hER head in a tree stage right.)**

GIRAFFE

Mmm… this honey is delicious!

Yummy yummy in my tummy.

Oh no! I’m stuck.

Help! Help!

**(The lion and the monkey try to pull giraffe out of the tree.)**

LION

One and two and three and pull!

**(The lion and the monkey cannot pull giraffe out of the tree.)**

**Enter the elephant.**

MONKEY

Elephant! Can you help us, please?

ELEPHANT

Of course!

LION

One and two and three and pull!

**(The lion, the monkey and the elephant cannot pull giraffe out of the tree.)**

**Enter the Baby Antelope.**

ELEPHANT

Baby Antelope! Can you help us, please?

BABY ANTELOPE

Of course!

LION

One and two and three and pull!

**(The animals manage to free the giraffe from the tree.)**

GIRAFFE

Thank you, animals.

ALL THE OTHER ANIMALS

You’re welcome.

BABY ANTELOPE

Look! Giraffe has got a very long neck!

MONKEY

Giraffe, how do you feel?

GIRAFFE

I feel good nah-na nah-na nah.

MONKEY

**(addressing audience and cast)**

How do you feel, everyone?

AUDIENCE AND CAST

I feel good nah-na nah-na nah.

**(Giraffe goes to the tree and starts eating leaves at the top of it)**

GIRAFFE

Look everyone! Now I can eat the leaves at the top of the trees.

ALL THE OTHER ANIMALS

Wow. That’s awesome.

NARRATOR

And everyone lived happily ever after.

**THE END**