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I-SPY

CHRISTMAS

by John & Ruth Kenward

CHORUS ACTIONS
appear in boxed text
throughout the script.

*[MARY, JOSEPH & DONKEY are offstage.
INNKEEPERS 1, 2 move to Stage Left and Stage Right
respectively. INNKEEPER 3 stands in front of manger.]*

I-SPY MUSIC (Instrumental)

(Track 1 / 9)

TEACHER Who'd like to play a special Christmas I-Spy?
[CHILDREN's hands shoot up into the air.]

CHILDREN Me!

TEACHER OK. Who wants to go first?
[Some children put hands up.]
(choosing) Let's have... [child's name]
[Children with 'd' placards stand.]

CHILD 1 I spy with my little eye something beginning with 'd'.

CHILDREN Is it a duck?

CHILD 1 No!

CHILDREN Is it a dinosaur?

CHILD 1 No!

CHILDREN Is it a donkey?

CHILD 1 (thumbs up) Yes!



[DONKEY enters with MARY & JOSEPH.
CHILDREN point to DONKEY.]

CHILDREN It's a donkey!

IT'S A DONKEY

(Track 2 / 10)

IT'S A DONKEY! EE-ORE!
IT'S A DONKEY! EE-ORE!
CARRYING MARY ON HIS BACK,
IT'S A DONKEY! EE-ORE!

On each 'ee-ore' make hand movements up and down, as if rearing up.

JOSEPH IS THE ONE WHO LEADS THE WAY
DOWN IN BETHLEHEM TODAY.
MARY'S GOING TO HAVE A BABY SOON.
KNOCK, KNOCK, KNOCK - THEY NEED A ROOM!

Point at Joseph
Knock 3 times, then make pleading hands (or BSL for 'help')

IT'S A DONKEY! EE-ORE!
IT'S A DONKEY! EE-ORE!
CARRYING MARY ON HIS BACK,
IT'S A DONKEY! EE-ORE!

Both hands held open, palms up (or BSL for 'where')
As before

ALL THE INNS ARE FULL - WHERE CAN THEY STAY
DOWN IN BETHLEHEM TODAY?
MARY'S GOING TO HAVE A BABY SOON.
KNOCK, KNOCK, KNOCK - THEY NEED A ROOM!

Tempo slows here!

Innkeeper 3 & Animals

All

THERE'S A STABLE RIGHT HERE.
THERE'S A STABLE RIGHT HERE.
MARY AND JOSEPH FOUND SOMEWHERE
IN THE STABLE - RIGHT THERE.

'right here' - point to floor
Point to stable

[MARY, JOSEPH & DONKEY go to sit
by the manger. INNKEEPERS join chorus.]

TEACHER So we've spied the Christmas donkey!
Who wants to go next?

[Some children put hands up.]

(choosing) Let's have... [___ child's name ___]

[Children with 'b' placards stand.]



CHILD 2 I spy with my little eye something beginning with 'b'.

CHILDREN Is it a ball?

CHILD 2 No!

CHILDREN Is it a bird?

CHILD 2 No!

CHILDREN Is it a baby?

CHILD 2 (thumbs up) Yes!

[MARY picks up baby. CHILDREN point to baby.]