Study guide for Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site: The Musical!
Who are the actors in the show and what characters will they be?

Isabel will be playing EXCAVATOR.

Andrew will be playing CRANE TRUCK.

Simon will be playing DUMP TRUCK.

Kate will be playing CEMENT MIXER.

Heren will be playing BULLDOZER.
Pre-Show Discussion Questions

What is theatre? What is the difference between live theatre and a movie or television?

Imagine you are an actor on stage. What kind of part would you like to play? How would you like the audience to respond to your performance?

The original book version of *Goodnight, Goodnight, Construction Site* rhymes, like in a poem, and the actors in the show sing songs. Compare and contrast poems and songs. What is the same? What is different?

There are only truck characters in the play. Tell students that in this show, people (actors) will play (pretend to be) the trucks. Have students brainstorm ways they think the trucks will be portrayed by the actors. Remind them to consider techniques such as movement, voice, costume and makeup. Have each student pick a character and design a costume.

Story Connection Projects

Build a building out of popsicle sticks and glue!

Invent your own construction vehicle and draw a picture of it!

Create and act out your own “bedtime” story!

Make up your own bathtime dance! Students can even make their own nontoxic blowing bubbles.
## Getting to Know the Characters

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<td>A truck that lifts high and heavy objects</td>
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<td><strong>Dump Truck</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Cement Mixer</strong></td>
<td>A truck that mixes and pours concrete (cement is one of the ingredients of concrete!)</td>
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<td><strong>Bulldozer</strong></td>
<td>A truck with a sharp shovel that can scrape and move dirt</td>
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Free Write or Class Discussion Questions After the Show

EXCAVATOR reminds the construction vehicles that they must learn to work together in order to get the job done right. Talk about a time you had to work as part of a team, and a time when you had to do something by yourself. Do you like being part of a team or by yourself? Why?

CRANE gets very cranky because it has been a long day and the other trucks keep interrupting and breaking CRANE’s concentration. Have you ever had a hard time finishing a project? What happened?

MIXER decides to help out and make bathtime more fun by singing and dancing. Do you like bathtime? What do you like to do to make it more fun?

DUMP TRUCK stays awake after all the other trucks have gone to bed. Have you ever had a hard time going to sleep? What are some things that help you go to sleep?

BULLDOZER stays with MIXER and sings a nice song about not being afraid of the dark. Is there something that you are afraid of? What helps you be less afraid?

The construction vehicles have a nighttime routine when they are all done with work. They have bathtime, storytime, clean their air filters, and then go to bed. Do you have a nighttime routine at home? How do you get ready for bed?
Word Search

Circle the hidden words! Some go left to right, up to down, and some go diagonal!

Bathtime, Beam, Bedtime, Building, Bulldozer, Concrete, Construction, Crane, Dirt, Dump Truck, Excavator, Moon, Story, Team
Mathematics Word Problems

Excavator has dug three trenches. Which is the longest?

CRANE TRUCK needs to place the beam that is exactly 3 inches long. Use your ruler to measure the beams and circle the beam that is 3 inches long.

CEMENT MIXER started the day with 10 gallons of concrete. If CEMENT MIXER has already poured 5 gallons, how many gallons are left?

DUMP TRUCK can carry 2 tons of dirt in one trip! How many tons can DUMP TRUCK carry in two trips?

The trucks have been working hard all day, but BULLDOZER is not ready to quit yet. If it is 6 o’clock when the other trucks stop, and the sky becomes dark at 8 o’clock, how much longer can BULLDOZER keep working before bedtime?
Dear ________________,

My favorite part of your show was__________________________________
________________________________________________________________
_______________________________________________________________.

If I were in the show, I would want to play the part of _________________
because ________________________________________________________
_______________________________________________________________.

I enjoyed going to the theatre because __________________________ ___
_______________________________________________________________.

Sincerely,
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We love hearing from our audiences! Teachers, please send these letters to:
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