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CONTENT ADVISORY

This production contains scenes of implied violence, biased historical reflections, prejudice against age and body, and depictions of substance abuse.

(*See <u>"TeaVee" profile</u> on pg. 9 for an extended advisory on the depictions of substance abuse*)

TECHNICAL ADVISORY

This production includes atmospheric haze, moving projections, flashing lights, sudden loud noises, and pyrotechnics.

*For a sensory sensitive experience, check out our Relaxed Performance on Dec. 10th! *

Creation of Charlie

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is a stage musical based off of the 1964 children's novel by Roald Dahl. The script is written by David Greig, with music by Marc Shaiman and lyrics by Shaiman and Scott Wittman.

About the Author

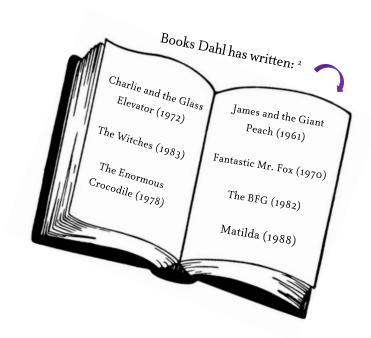
During his career, British author Roald Dahl (1916-1990) wrote around 19 children books. His books have whimsical vocabularies and twisted storylines that engage people from the moment they start reading. Dahl once wrote in a letter that the content of children's books should "never shelter children from the world".

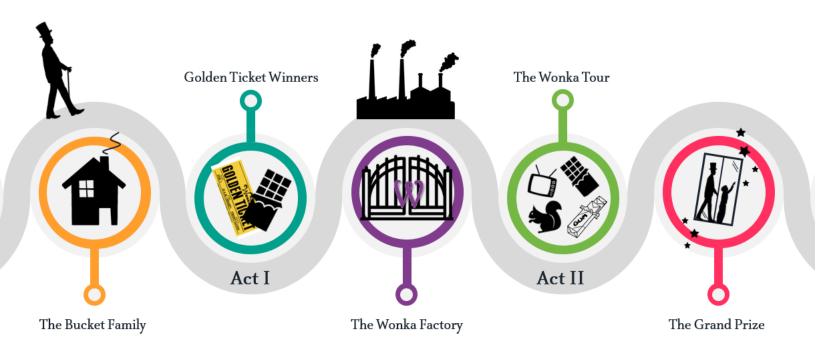
Curriculum Connections

- The Arts (Music; Visual Arts; Drama; Dance)
- Language/English
- Science and Technology
- Social Studies
- Geography

Themes

- ★ KINDNESS & HUMILITY
- ★ VICES (Greed, Pride, Sloth, Gluttony, etc.)
- **★** IMAGINATION
- ★ FAMILY DYNAMICS
- ★ SOCIOECONOMIC STATUS





Synopsis -

Act I:

For the first time in years, a local candy shop is selling Wonka candy and chocolate. This attracts the attention of the town's residents and Charlie Bucket. Despite having no money to spend on any sweets, Charlie continues to visit the shop. Charlie explains the story of Willy Wonka to the store owner ["Willy Wonka! Willy Wonka!"], and remarks that they would do anything to just see inside the Wonka factory.

Leaving the candy shop, Charlie comes home to their four bed-ridden grandparents: Grandpa George, Grandma Georgina, Grandma Josephine, and Grandpa Joe. Charlie wakes up Grandpa Joe to play the pretend game 'Willy Wonka' ["Charlie, You and I"]. When Mrs. Bucket comes home, she gives Charlie an old notebook to complete homework in. Pretending to do schoolwork, Charlie writes a letter to Willy Wonka suggesting new candy ideas ["A Letter From Charlie Bucket"]. The next day, Charlie finds out that Willy Wonka has hidden five Golden Tickets inside five Wonka Bars. The people who find the tickets will win a tour of the factory and a lifetime supply of candy! Because money is tighter than usual, Mrs. Bucket is unable to afford buying Charlie an annual birthday candy bar. This means Charlie has no chance of winning Willy Wonka's contest, until they can find money to afford a chocolate bar.

Charlie loses hope of ever winning, when they discover four Golden Tickets have already been found by Augustus Gloop ["More of Him to Love"], Veruca Salt ["When Veruca Says"], Violet Beauregarde ["Queen of Pop"], and Mike TeaVee ["That Little Man of Mine"]. As a surprise, Charlie's family gathers their money together to buy Charlie an early birthday chocolate, but unfortunately it has no Golden Ticket inside ["If Your Father Were Here"]. The next day, Charlie finds a dollar left in the candy shop, and uses it to buy a chocolate bar from Mrs. Green. To Charlie's surprise, the chocolate bar has the final Golden Ticket inside! The family celebrates as they hear the news, and Grandpa Joe volunteers to come along ["I've Got a Golden Ticket!"]. When the big day arrives, Willy Wonka ushers the five winners and their companions inside his factory ["It Must Be Believed to be Seen"].

Act II:

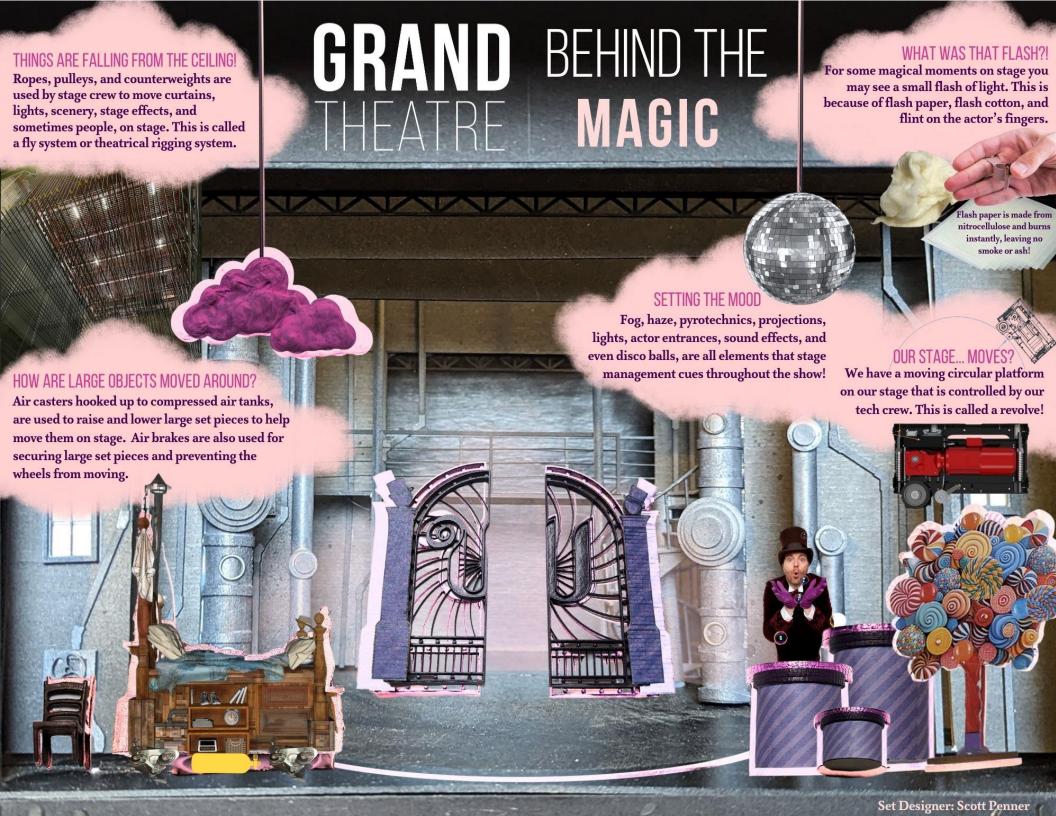
As the five winners and their families check in with Wonka, he explains the rules and regulations of the factory and has the parents sign a long and complicated contract ["Strike That, Reverse It!"]. After everyone signs, the group enters the Chocolate Room where the children explore the edible candy utopia ["Pure Imagination"]. Despite Wonka's warnings, Augustus takes a drink from the molten chocolate lagoon and falls in. He is sucked up a chocolate pipe leading to the Fudge Room. After the Oompa Loompa's attempt to rescue Augustus, they are sent away with Mrs. Gloop to find her son in the factory ["Auf Wiedersehen Augustus"].

The group continues on into the Mixing Room, where ingredients are mixed together to make new flavours and inventions. At Violet's request, Wonka shows her a stick of gum that contains a three-course meal. Despite Wonka's warnings of there being a problem with the dessert course, Violet takes the gum and accidentally swallows it. She begins to swell up and turn into a human blueberry, eventually exploding into a shower of purple goo. Wonka instructs Mr. Beauregarde to follow after the Oompa Loompa's down to the juicing room to scoop her out of the pulping ponds.

Wonka decides the group should visit the special cupboards, where he keeps all his secret ingredients. To get there, they must pass through a maze of deadly traps. The whole group completes the maze, except for Grandpa Joe, who can't bend down low enough. Undeterred, Wonka suggests changing course to go and see the Nut Room instead. In this room, worker squirrels sort the good nuts from the bad ones. When Wonka refuses to sell Veruca a squirrel, she runs into the Sorting Room to retrieve one herself. Being deemed a "bad nut" by the squirrels, she is torn apart ["Veruca's Nutcracker Sweet!"]. Wonka assures Veruca's father, Mr. Salt, that the Oompa Loompas will find a way to put her back together, and he leaves to rescue Veruca.

Off to their next destination, Wonka and the TeaVees board the S.S. Wonka, while Charlie and Grandpa Joe swim behind them. They arrive at the TV Room, where Wonka demonstrates Chocolate Television which uses a machine to send chocolate bars into televisions. Despite Wonka's protests, Mike uses the machine to teleport himself into the television. Mrs. TeaVee pulls Mike out of the television, and is surprised to see he is now a doll-sized boy ["Vidiots"]. Relieved that her son won't cause any more trouble, Mrs. TeaVee leaves the factory with Mike in her purse.

Now the only ones left, Wonka leads Charlie and Grandpa Joe to the Imagining Room, where he writes his ideas down in a notebook. Charlie is instructed to not touch anything while Grandpa Joe and Wonka negotiate legal paperwork in his office. As they leave, Charlie opens the notebook and begins adding new ideas to the blank pages, but is caught by Wonka. Although he seems angry at first, Wonka finds it incredible that Charlie is unable to stop inventing. He ushers Charlie into his Great Glass Elevator ["The View From Here"], and reveals the ultimate grand prize.



Who is Willy Wonka?

Costume design by Joseph Abetria



Willy Wonka

About: One day, Wonka finds out that the workers at his factory are spies. They copied his recipes and sold his secrets. Because of this betrayal, Wonka turned his back on the world and closed up his factory. Somehow, he still makes chocolate even though nobody goes in, and nobody goes out. It's a great chocolate

making mystery!

Song: "Pure Imagination" is a song with an enchanting melody and thought-provoking lyrics. It reflects Wonka's whimsical nature, and his desire for others to embrace their imaginations and believe in the power of dreaming.

Take a close look at Willy Wonka's outfit!

What influenced Joseph for his design of Wonka's outfit? Do you think it was from the original story by Roald Dahl? Was it from other renditions of Willy Wonka?

"He had a **black top hat** on his head. He wore a tail coat made of a beautiful **plum-colored velvet**.

His trousers were bottle green.
His gloves were pearly gray.
And in one hand, he carried a fine
gold-topped cane."

-Roald Dahl



Actor: Gene Wilder Medium: Film Year: 1971



Artist: Quentin Blake Medium: Illustration Year: 1995



Actor: Johnny Depp Medium: Film Year: 2005



Actor: Timothée Chalamet Medium: Film Year: December 15th, 2023

Golden Ticket Profiles

Costume designs by Joseph Abetria



Augustus Gloop		
Accompanied by: Mrs. Gloop (mother)		
Origin: Bavaria, Germany		
About: A local butcher's son and three-time regional bratwurst eating		
champion! Augustus is known for his insatiable appetite, and lov		
of food. He symbolizes the vice of gluttony.		
Song: "More of Him to Love" is a humorous and lively song, with		
bouncy and playful melodies that emphasizes Augustus'		
	gluttonous nature.	



Veruca Salt		
Accompanied by: Mr. Salt (father)		
Origin: Russia		
About:	A 12-year-old girl who likes ballet, and is the daughter of a peanut	
	billionaire. She knows exactly what she wants, and symbolizes the	
vice of greed.		
Song:		
interjections at the ends of phrases, which emphasize Veruca's		
decisive nature.		







Violet Beauregarde		
Accompanied by:	Mr. Beauregarde (father)	
Origin:	California, USA	
About:	A world champion gum chewer, and local gum celebrity. Violet is confident and supported by her family. She symbolizes the vice of	
	confident and supported by her family. She symbolizes the vice of	
	pride.	
Song:	"Queen of Pop" is a pop-inspired song, and incorporates modern	
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	fame, and thinking she is the best.	



Charlie Bucket		
Accompanied by:	Grandpa Joe (grandfather)	
Origin:	London	/
About:	Charlie is selfless, compassionate and has an unwavering moral	
	compass. Charlie always finds the good in situations and is	
	incredibly imaginative.	
Song:	"I've Got a Golden Ticket" is an uplifting and joyful song, that	
	showcases the pure excitement Charlie and Grandpa Joe have of	
	getting to tour Wonka's Chocolate Factory.	







Mike TeaVee		
Accompanied by: Mrs. TeaVee (mother)		
Origin: Iowa, USA		
About: Mike is very interested in television, video games, and gadgets,		
	and is portrayed to come from a typical American family. He	
symbolizes the vice of sloth.		
Song: "I Love that Little Man of Mine" primarily follows the style of a		
	50's sitcom theme song, but switches to a rock style when Mike	
joins in (emphasizing Mike's rebellious nature).		



Extended Advisory on the Depictions of Substance Abuse

Throughout the musical and especially during the song, "I Love that Little Man of Mine", Mrs. TeaVee references using alcohol and various types of drugs to self-medicate. As a way of handling Mike, she gives him medication and restrains him when he goes to bed. If these actions are a potential trigger to you, please see our plot synopsis for when you might want to step into our lobby spaces.

If you or someone you know is living with mental health or addictions concerns, please know that you are not alone.



REACH OUT is a free, 24/7, confidential mental health and addictions support and services line for people living in:
Elgin, Middlesex and Oxford and London.

Call REACH OUT at 519-433-2023 or 1-866-933-2023, or web chat at http://reachout247.ca/ with an information and referral specialist who can provide information, resources and crisis support.







The Characters

Willy Wonka The most renowned candy maker in the world, and the eccentric owner of the Wonka Chocolate

Factory.

Charlie Bucket A kind-hearted kid, who dreams of a better life. Charlie is the final Golden ticket winner.

Grandpa Joe Charlie's supportive grandfather, who is full of life and adventure. He is Charlie's companion on the

tour of the chocolate factory.

Mrs. Bucket Charlie's caring mother.

Mr. Bucket Charlie's father, who has unfortunately passed away.

Grandpa George, Grandma Georgina, & Grandma Josephine

Charlie's grandparents.

Mr. Salt Veruca's father, who provides her with anything that she wants.

Veruca Salt Spoiled by her father, she is the third person to discover a Golden Ticket.

Mrs. Gloop Augustus' mother, who is constantly trying to satisfy her son's insatiable appetite.

Augustus Gloop Known for his love of food, he is the first person to discover a Golden Ticket.

Mr. Beauregarde Violet's father, who is obsessed with her success.

Violet Beauregarde Highly competitive and passionate about chewing gum, she is the third person to find a Golden

Ticket.

Mrs. TeaVee Mike's mother, who struggles to connect with her son.

Mike TeaVee Fascinated with technology, he is the fourth person to secure himself a Golden Ticket.

Jerry Jubilee & Reporters providing information about the Golden Ticket winners. Cherry Sundae

Mrs. Green A woman who sells vegetables (and sometimes chocolate!) to people in town.

Ensemble Oompa Loompa's, squirrels, Cheer squad, back up dancers and more!



Designs by Scott Penner

■ MUSICAL NUMBERS ■

ACT ONE

The Candy Man & Ensemble

Willy Wonka! Willy Wonka! Charlie Bucket & Ensemble

The Candy Man (Reprise) Charlie Bucket

Charlie, You & I Grandpa Joe & Charlie Bucket

A Letter from Charlie Bucket Charlie Bucket, Mrs. Bucket, Grandparents

More of Him to Love Mrs. Gloop, Augustus Gloop, Ensemble

When Veruca Says Mr. Salt, Veruca Salt

The Queen of Pop Mr. Beauregarde, Violet Beauregarde, Ensemble

That Little Man of Mine Mrs. TeaVee, Mike TeaVee
If Your Father Were Here Mrs. Bucket, Grandparents

I've Got A Golden Ticket Charlie Bucket, Grandpa Joe, Grandparents, Mrs.

Bucket

It Must Be Believed to Be Seen Willy Wonka, Ensemble

ACT TWO

Strike That! Reverse It! Willy Wonka & Golden Ticket Winners

Pure Imagination Willy Wonka, Charlie Bucket, Golden Ticket Winners

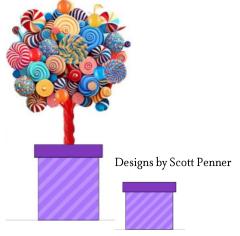
Auf Wiedersehen Augustus The Oompa Loompas, Willy Wonka, Mrs. Gloop

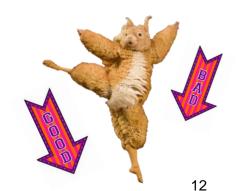
You Got Whatcha Want The Oompa-Loompas, Willy Wonka

Veruca's Nutcracker Sweet! The Oompa Loompas, Veruca Salt, Mr. Salt

Vidiots The Oompa Loompas, Willy Wonka, Mike, Mrs. TeaVee

The View From Here Willy Wonka & Charlie Bucket





Pre-Show Discussion Questions –

- 1. Roald Dahl once said the phrase, "A little nonsense now and then is relished by the wisest men". What do you think he is trying to say?
- 2. After looking at the costume designs of the ticket winners, what have we learned about these characters?
 - a. What are their personalities? How do they act?
 - b. Why do you think certain colours are used? What style of clothing are they wearing?
 - c. What type of lifestyle do you think they live when they are at home?
- 3. Have you ever entered a contest before? What was it for? What was the outcome? Do you think contests provide everyone with an equal opportunity to win? Why or why not?
- 4. Let's imagine ... You regularly buy ingredients on your way home from school to make sure your family has food for dinner. One day, you find money lying on the ground. Do you:
 - a. try to find the person who lost that money;
 - b. use that money to buy dinner for your family; or
 - c. spend that money to enter a contest you may or may not win? Justify your answer.
- 5. Think of your favourite children's story, or story you enjoyed reading/hearing as a young child. Why did you choose it? Do you identify with a character in it? What moral or lesson is learned by a character or the reader during, or by the end of, this story?

Pre-Show Classroom Activities

- 1. Willy Wonka is opening a brand-new room in his Chocolate Factory, and you get to decide what it will produce! What is the name of your product? What does it do? What machines will make it? Draw a picture and describe your new creation.
- 2. In small groups or partners, select a vice from this list: Pride, Lust, Gluttony, Greed, Sloth, Anger/Wrath, and Envy. Research a definition of this vice and give three examples of actions or thoughts that a character who identifies with this vice might do or feel.
- 3. Write a brief biography for Willy Wonka. Where was he born? What was his life like when he was growing up? How did he create his Chocolate Factory? Present your biography to an elbow partner.
- 4. Write down the type of sweets and chocolates everyone likes the most from your class. After organizing this data, create a bar graph from the information you have gathered.
- 5. You are the author of the next great children's story. This story centers on a child as the main character. Write a description about your main character that tells us how old they are, what their dreams and fears are, where and when they live, and who some of the supporting characters in their life might be. You could even draw a picture of what they might look like and design the costume/clothing they would wear!

Post-Show Discussion Questions

- 1. Would you consider Willy Wonka to be a good nut or a bad nut? Explain your answer.
- 2. What type of instruments were used during the musical? Can you identify them by the sound they make, or did you see them in the orchestra pit? How are the instruments being used to enhance the story?
- 3. Did you feel like there was a clear ending? Why or why not? How would you end the story?
- 4. Let's consider Roald Dahl's motives for writing this children's story. Why has he chosen to write about "naughty" children? What were the consequences of being "naughty"? How did the adults in this story enable and react to the children's "naughty" behaviour?
- 5. What do you think the overarching lesson is for *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*? What is the moral of the story? Would you classify this as a typical children's story? Why or why not?

Post-Show Classroom Activities -

- 1. In 1972, Roald Dahl published the sequel to *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory*, *Charlie and the Great Glass Elevator*. Through discussion in a small group, with an elbow partner, or by jotting down ideas in a notebook, continue the story of Charlie Bucket and Willy Wonka. What happens in your sequel?
- 2. You are one of the Golden Ticket Winners (Charlie, Veruca, Violet, Augustus, or Mike), and it's the night before you get to visit Willy Wonka's factory. What you are doing to prepare, and how are you feeling about the next day? Write a diary entry or monologue in role as this character. Option to share or present!
- 3. Imagine there was one more ticket available, and a new child found it. What are they like? How do they feel about visiting the chocolate factory? Where are they from? In groups of 3, pick one person to act as a reporter interviewing the new golden ticket winner and their family. Decide who will be acting as the golden ticket winner and who will be the companion that will be joining them on the tour.
- 4. Research another well-known children's story (by Roald Dahl or another author). Compare and contrast this story with Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. How do their main characters differ? Is the language used similar or different? How do the morals of the story compare to each other?
- 5. Pulling inspiration from the set, prop and costume design you witnessed on stage, use recycled and household items to recreate an element that you enjoyed! Can you recreate a whimsical candy piece from the many rooms of the factory? Is there a part of the Bucket bed that you'd like to add to your bedroom?

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Wonka's Whimsical Word Search

All the words will be horizontal or vertical, <u>NOT</u> diagonal.



- Tonguetastical
- Ebullient
- Disconsolate
- Gastronome
- Enraptured

- Scrumdiddlyumptious
- Imagination
- Everlasting Gobstopper
- Wonkamania
- Golden Ticket

- Delumptious
- Brain boggling
- Mind mangling
- Schnozztastic
- A-choc-alypse

Willy Wonka uses words that you might not have heard of before!

Match the following words to their definitions: (drawing a line to connect them)

1. Ebullient Wonka: "What an ebullient young lady!"	A. Without comfort or unhappy.
2. Disconsolate Wonka: "Oh Bucket, don't be disconsolate"	B. Someone who enjoys preparing or eating good food.
3. Enraptured Grandpa Joe: "Joe Bucket at your service, sir!" Wonka: "Delighted." Grandpa Joe: "Actually –" Wonka: "Enraptured."	C. Cheerful or full of energy
4. Gastronome Wonka: "Quit the gastronome, eh bucket?"	D. Intense pleasure or joy
Now that you know what these words me	an, use them in your own sentences!
Disconsolate:	
Enraptured:	
Gastronome:	

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Willy Wonka makes many delicious creations at his factory. Charlie's favourite is the whipple-scrumptious fudgemallow delight!

STEP 1: Pick your Birth Month

January	Lickswishy
February	Phizz-whizzing
March	Wondercrump
April	Whipple
May	Flavoury-savoury
June	Frobscottle
July	Gloriumptious
August	Fantabulous
September	Fizzy
October	Giganticus
November	Gobblefunk
December	Everlasting

STEP 2:

Pick your Favourite Colour

Red	Exploding
Orange	Nutty
Yellow	Diddly
Green	Scrumptious
Blue	Lifting
Indigo	Dazzle
Violet	Fudgemallow

STEP 3:

Pick your Favourite Season

Summer	Gobstopper
Fall	Delight
Winter	Fudge
Spring	Caramel

From the 3 charts above, find the name for your creation!

CREATION NAME:
CREATION DESCRIPTION (What is it made from? What does it do? What does it taste like? Is it chocolate, gum, candy, etc.?):

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Willy Wonka Factory Rooms

Step 1: Match the rooms to their names (draw a line from the names to the rooms)

Step 2: Below each image write down the ticket winner (Charlie, Violet, Augustus, Veruca, or Mike) who enjoyed each room the most!

This one is done for you!



Charlie Bucket Ticket Winner: _



Ticket Winner: _____

Room Names

Imagining Room

TV Room

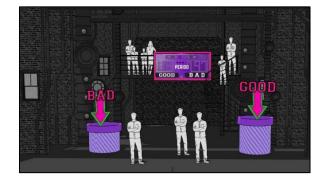
Nut/Sorting Room

Mixing Room

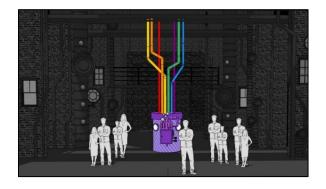
Chocolate Room







Ticket Winner:



Ticket Winner: _____

Ticket Winner:

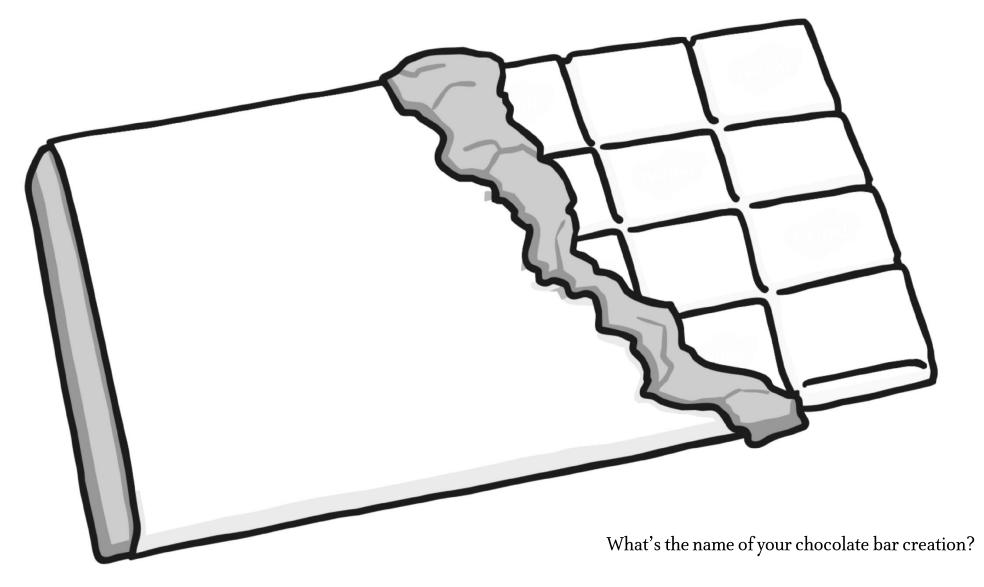


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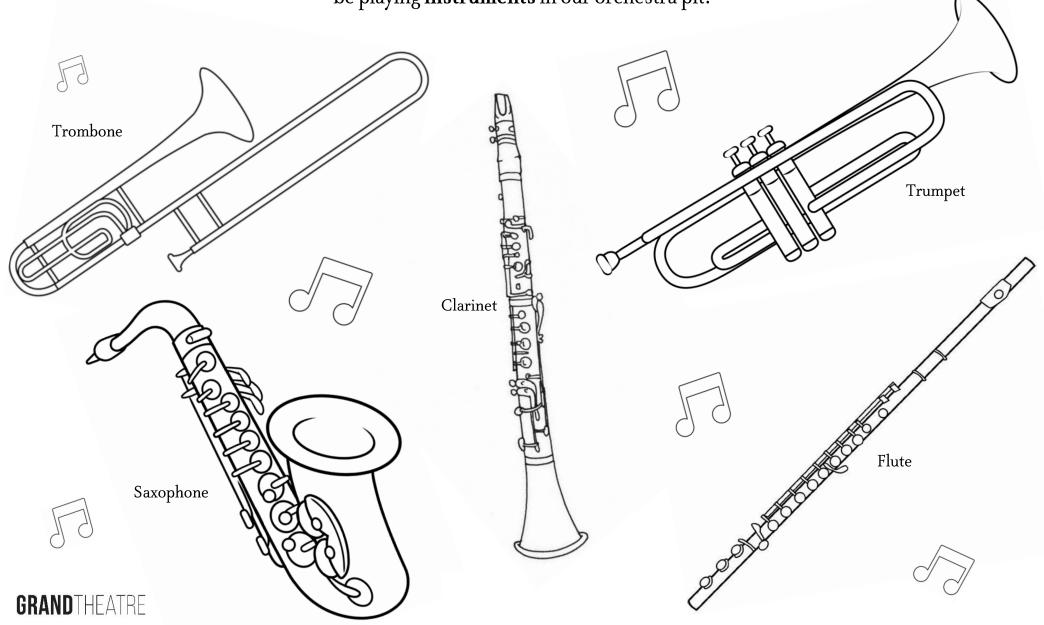
If you had your own chocolate factory, what would your chocolate bar look like?



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This show is a <u>musical</u>, which means actors will be **singing** on stage and musicians will be playing **instruments** in our orchestra pit.



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What does your chocolate factory look like?