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Name of School	南元朗官立小學	
學校名稱	SOUTH YUEN LONG GOVERNMENT PRIMARY SCHOOL	
Name of Play 劇名	Dung Beetle and Eagle	
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Synopsis 故事大綱:

This is a story about a Rabbit who tries to escape the clutches of the Eagle. He seeks the help of the monkeys and turtles, to avoid becoming the Eagle's dinner. Unfortunately, they refuse because they too are afraid of ending up as the Eagle' s dinner.

Eventually, the rabbit meets a Dung Beetle. Despite her small size and her inability to house the rabbit, she makes a valiant effort to protect the rabbit from the eagle. Alas, all her efforts were in vain. The Rabbit ends up on the Eagles platter.

This leaves the Dung Beetle extremely furious. She seeks to avenge the death of the Rabbit by destroying the Eagles' precious eggs. A reversal of roles ensues. The Eagle and his wife then beg the same animals to protect their eggs. They all refuse. The Eagles then ask Zeus, the Greek God for help. Alas, that also fails.



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Characters:

Student A (Also serves as narrators)

Student B (Also serves as narrators)

Student C (Also serves as narrators)

Student D (Also serves as narrators)

Student E (Also serves as narrators)

Dung beetle
Eagle wife
Eagle husband
Rabbit
Monkey wife
Monkey husband
Turtle wife
Turtle husband

Zeus

Other students will help scene changes and imitate the Eggs

School playground: five students are playing a game. One student, E, is much more smaller than other students and he/she keeps losing the game.

Student A	Haha! You lose!
Student B	You are so little and silly!
(Student E looks angry)	
Student C	Hey! Don't say that!
Student D	YeahHe is unhappy now!
Student A	I say what I want, When I want!
Student C	You cannot be like this to other people. Have you not read the story of "Dung Beetle and Eagle" ?
Student B	No! What is it about?
Student D	Ohlet me tell you the story then!
(At this moment, eagle husband comes out with rabbit)	
Student C	Long long time ago, there was an eagle and a rabbit
Student A	Hey! The story is called "Dung Beetle and Eagle", why is there a rabbit?
Student D	Hey! Please listen!

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and their permission must be sought from the author. 以下劇本只作參考用途,如欲採用或改編,須先取得作者同意。 One day, the eagle flies in the sky and sees the rabbit. Eagle decides to have the rabbit for Student C lunch. Student B I know I know ! And then the eagle tries to catch the rabbit! (The eagle husband chases after the rabbit for awhile on stage. Then exit.) The rabbit runs and runs. And runs and runs. The rabbit becomes very tired, so it decides Student D to ask other animals for help! (The rabbit comes out with monkey wife and monkey husband) First, Rabbit asks monkeys for help... Student C Monkeys, please help me! The eagle wants to eat me! He has been chasing after me for a Rabbit long time. Can you please let me hide at your home? Monkey wife (Scared) No Way! If we help you, the eagle will also eat us! Monkey Husband Also, our home is too high up, you cannot climb the tree! (At this moment, the eagle comes out and scares them off) Student D And then, the rabbit asks turtles for help. (Rabbit comes out and sees turtle wife and turtle husband) Turtles, please help me! The eagle wants to eat me! He has been chasing after me for a long Rabbit time. Can you please let me hide at your home? Turtle wife (Scared) No Way! If we help you, the eagle will also eat us! Turtle husband Also, our home is in the sea, you cannot swim! (The eagle comes out and scares them off again) Finally, the rabbit cannot run any longer...It sees a dung beetle and it is pushing a big dung Student C ball. Even though the dung ball is very smelly, the rabbit asks for help. Rabbit Dung beetle, please help me! Eagle wants to eat me! Can you please let me hide here? **Dung Beetle** My home is too small and is full of dung balls. You are too big to fit in! Oh no... What should I do... I will be eaten by the eagle! Rabbit Hey! Don't worry! When I see the eagle, I will tell him to go away! I will help you! **Dung Beetle** You will? Rabbit Yes! Of course! Let me help you! **Dung Beetle** Rabbit Thank you dung beetle... please help me... (At this moment, the eagle comes out) Eagle Husband Hey little rabbit, stop running! You will soon be lunch for me and my wife! (stand in front of the rabbit) Hey! Stop! **Dung Beetle Eagle Husband** (smells something bad) Urgh...... Who are you? **Dung Beetle** I am dung beetle! Eagle Husband No wonder you are so smelly...go away! You little stupid thing! I want my lunch! Don't eat the rabbit! Rabbit is very scared right now! **Dung Beetle** Are you crazy? Rabbit is scared so I will not have my lunch? You are silly. **Eagle Husband** (Then, the eagle push dung beetle off and take the rabbit off stage) Rabbit Help ! Help! Please save me!

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(Eagle husband takes rabbit to backstage and throw out some red cloths. This shows rabbit is being eaten by Eagle husband. Dung beetle sees this and is very angry and sad)

(Then, Eagle has a fat stomach and comes out on stage, he sees Dung Beetle and doesn't care and goes off stage. Dung beetle is still on stage and wants to do something about this)

Student A	You see! That dung beetle is useless! It cannot save the rabbit!
Student B	Yeah! Small, smelly & silly, useless!
Student E	I know the dung beetle will do something about this!
Dung Beetle	Eagle, just you wait! I will revenge for rabbit!
Student C	Let us go and see what the eagle is doing now.
(Eagle wife takes some eggs and puts them down. The eggs are played by actors. Eagle wife waits for Eagle Husband to come back. Eagle husband comes out with big piece of meat)	
Eagle Husband	Look, Wife, I have lunch for you! It's rabbit meat!
Eagle wife	Oh thank you my love! You are so good to me!
Eagle Husband	Yes I am! Thank you for taking care our babies.
Eagle wife	Do you think the babies will look like you or more like me?
Eagle Husband	Half like you and half like me, perfect! Hey, let's go and eat now!

Eagle wife Okay!

(Eagle husband and wife go off stage and eat. Now, Dung beetle comes in, sees the eggs and knows his revenge plan. He goes behind the eggs and pushes them down. The eggs, played by actors falls down and lies on floor, as a symbol of being broken)

(Dung beetle claps his hands and walks off feeling happy)

(Eagle husband and wife come out from backstage and see the broken eggs. They are very sad)

Eagle wife	(Cry) Oh! Oh! Why?! My eggs! My babies!
Eagle Husband	Who! why! who did this? Who broke the eggs!
Dung Beetle	(voice over) Hahahaha! Let me tell you. I am the one who did it! This is for the rabbit and ME! The little smelly dung beetle that you looked down upon to! From now on, every time you lay eggs, don't let me find out or I willhahahahaha
Student (Dung beetle, small, dark and mysterious. It can appear and disappear in anywhere you can think of
Student D	Ever since then, Eagle husband and wife were very careful when they have eggs

(Eagle husband and Eagle wife carefully push the egg out and put sunglasses on them to hide. They put the eggs down and then covers the eggs with many things. Even put sunglasses on them)

Eagle wife	This time we should be safe
Eagle Husband	This cave is secret enough. And we have been hidden our babies perfectly.
Eagle wife	But I still worry about the dung beetle
Eagle Husband	Let's keep an eye on the eggs. Let us take turns looking after them.
Eagle wife	Okay! You can start, I will go out and look for food!



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Eagle Husband	No problem! There's no way you can break my eggs now, dung beetle!
(Eagle husband loo	ks after the eggs with a strong mind. Dung beetle is looking from a distance)
Dung Beetle	Just you wait…Just you wait! Wait and see what I will do!
(The Dung beetle t	hrows a small dung ball on stage)
Eagle Husband	(Smells) Urgh…what is that smell! (He discovers the small dung ball) Oh, wait! I know! It's you! Dung beetle! Where are you?
(The Dung beetle	throws another dung ball on stage)
Eagle Husband	Hey! Don't you make my new home smelly and dirty! My family is going to live here!
(The Dung beetle t	hrows more dung balls on stage)
Eagle Husband	Stop it! You silly dirty little thing! I swear I will catch you this time and crash you into mud!
Dung Beetle	(Voice Over) Hahahaha! You think you can catch me! Go ahead and try!
Eagle Husband	You think I am stupid! I will find out where you are! (Exit)
Dung Beetle	(Comes out) Hahaha, so stupid! (It pushes every egg down again) There! Done!
(Eagle wife comes l	back and sees the broken eggs again.)
Eagle wife	(Cry) Oh…my eggs! My babies!
Eagle Husband	Dung beetle! You did it again!
Eagle wife	Please, my love! We need help from others to hide our eggs! We have to give a chance for our babies to survive!
(Eagle husband and	d wife go away with broken eggs)
Student E	Wow, dung beetle is amazing!
Student C	So, Eagle decides to ask for help from other animals.
Student D	Can you guess which animals the eagle ask help from?
(Monkeys and eagl	es come out. Monkeys are clearly hiding behind their home.)
Eagle wife	Monkeys, please, help us, help our babies! Please be kind, I don't want my eggs to be broken again! Please save them and let them hide in your place!
Monkey wife	No way! Last time you ate our children and now you want our help?
Monkey Husband	I don't believe you! You are lying! You want to eat us again! We will not be fooled! Go away!
(Monkeys leave with their house. Eagles are very sad and then they see turtles)	
Eagle Husband	Turtles, please, help us, help our babies! Please be kind, I don't want my eggs to be broken again! Please save them and let them hide at your home!
Turtle husband	Sure! No problem!
Monkey wife	(Happy) Really?
Turtle husband	Of course! But we live in the sea, you really want to put your eggs in our home?
Turtle wife	Haha! Eagle babies cannot swim! They will die! Last time eagles ate our eggs! This time, the sea will eat their eggs!
(Turtle Husband and wife exits with great laugh.)	
Student C	Eagles has been trouble for too many animals, nobody wants to help them



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Student D	The only help they can get is from Zeus, the God of all Greek Gods.
(Zeus comes out, lo	oking very strong, the eagles kneel and ask for help)
Eagle Husband	Zeus! Oh most powerful Zeus! You are the God of Gods! You are the only one that can help us. You must save our eggs! Our babies! Please save them!
Zeus	Okay okay! I know you have been having trouble. How about this, I will keep your eggs in my pocket. Dung beetle will not be able to crack your eggs again.
Eagles	Thank you! This is a great idea! Thank you so much! (Eagles give some prop eggs to Zeus. Zeus put them into his pocket)
Zeus	Okay okay! Go home and wait for my news!
Eagles	Thank you! Thank you so much! (Exits)
Zeus	So many animals and humans come ask for help lately \cdots . I am so tired \cdots I need to rest.
(Zeus sleeps. Now,	dung beetle comes out)
Dung Beetle	So \cdots you ask the powerful Zeus for help! What shall I do \cdots what can I do to break those eggs!
Student E	I know! I have an idea!
Dung Beetle	(To student E) You do? Please tell me!
(Student E is happy and surprised, he goes to Dung beetle and talk to him quietly)	
Dung Beetle	(After hearing Student E's talk) That's great! Give me five!
(Student E and the	Dung Beetle do a high five)
Dung Beetle	Okay! I will now follow your plan! Let's see if it will work!
(Student E nods and goes. Dung beetle takes a dung ball and put it into Zeus's pocket. Then, he takes another dung ball and puts it near Zeus's nose and let him smell it. Zeus wakes up and dung beetle hides quickly) (wakes up) Urgh! What is that smell! (He discovers the dung ball in his pocket) Ah! why is there dung balls in my pocket! (He pours everything out of his pocket with the eggs. The eggs cracks) Oh!	
(At this moment, Ea	agles come out and see their eggs broken. They are sad and goes down onto the floor)
Zeus	I am so sorry. (Exits)
(Eagle goes off sadly.)	
Dung Beetle	(Walks about dejectedly. Then all the other animals come rushing in excitedly.)
Turtle wife	Wow, Bung Beetle, you were wonderful,excellent!
Turtle husband	But why the long face?
Dung Beetle	You know I should be happy. I taught the Eagles a lesson. But I felt terrible about breaking their eggs. I really and truly do.
Monkey wife	But the Eagles are very mean and horrible.
Dung Beetle	But they also need to eat and feed their babies. Just like we do
Animals	(They all gather around for a discussion.)
Monkey husband	Bung Beetle, you are right. We al want to take care of our babies and ourselves.



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Dung Beetle	So I guess it's time to get to the gym, everyone. We need to exercise and get stronger and fitter. Then, we can escape from the eagles when they come around.	
Zeus	(Zeus enters holding a plate with the Rabbit's head on it.) Unless you want to end up on their dinner plate.	
(Student A,B,C,D,E come out together)		
Student C	So, don't be mean and bully other people, don't call them silly or smelly. Anyone can be powerful and strong!	
Student D	You should all say sorry right now!	
(When student A and B want to talk, Student E suddenly speaks)		
Student E	No need! I am good. Thank you for your story, shall we play again?	
All students	Okay!	

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