

Give Me Space! – a DIY Resource Booklet

# Sensory Theatre with PMLD audiences



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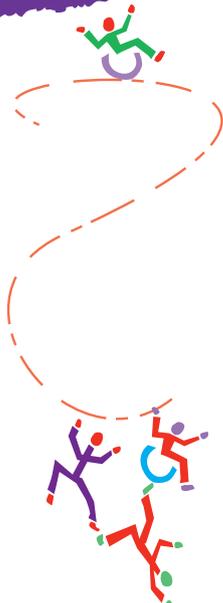


**DIY is an established Theatre Company of Learning Disabled performers. We have been creating accessible and thought-provoking theatre since 1994.**

**Give Me Space!** is a performance which has been created by company members for audiences with Profound and Multiple Learning Disabilities.

This booklet offers just a few approaches which have worked for us. We're sure you'll have lots of brilliant ideas to add to these.

# Give Me Space!



**Give Me Space!** is DIY's story about a journey into space.

There are lots of songs, music and props for you to explore.

Our Spaceman welcomes you and invites you on a journey into space.



# Hello Song

Hello everybody, Hello everybody,  
Welcome, Welcome  
Hello everybody, Hello everybody,  
Welcome, Welcome  
DIY says hello to you  
Nice to meet you, How do you do?  
Hello everybody, Hello everybody,  
Welcome, Welcome!



**We travel . . . through the clouds.**



**We land on an ice cold planet.**

\* Aliens give the Spaceman presents which you can touch and explore.



# What makes an ice cold planet?



We make cold sounds with chime bars.

\* What cold sounds would you make?

The cold aliens have scarves and snowballs.

\* What makes you think of 'cold'?



# Spaceman Song

Spaceman sings:

Spaceman is floating in the dark

Spaceman is floating in the dark

Everyone sings:

Swimming through the stars

Dancing in the dark

Swimming through the stars

Dancing in the dark

Spaceman sings:

Spaceman is floating in the dark

Spaceman is floating in the dark



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# Spaceman lands on a red hot planet!

\* Aliens give the Spaceman presents which you can touch and explore.



# What makes a red hot planet?

We make hot sounds with shakers.

- \* What hot sounds would you make?

The hot aliens have fans and sun tan lotion.

- \* What else makes you think of 'hot'?



- \* Where would you like to visit in space?
- \* How could you create the smells, tastes and sounds of the different places you travel to?



A photograph of several handcrafted puppets on sticks against a dark, starry background. The puppets include a yellow rocket with red flames, a blue alien head with white eyes, and a silver star with long purple and white streamers. The puppets are made of paper and fabric, mounted on thin wooden sticks. The background is a dark fabric with small white dots representing stars.

To launch DIY into space we made puppets of rockets and space ships.

- \* Why don't you design your own puppet? You could add textured paper, bells or other favourite things.



We made our own planets using pizza discs and lots of different materials.

- \* Why don't you make your own planet and give it a name?
- \* How would the aliens on your planet communicate?



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# We return to earth and Spaceman sings a goodbye song.



Goodbye everybody, Goodbye everybody,  
Thank you, Thank You.

Goodbye everybody, Goodbye everybody,  
Thank you, Thank You.

DIY says goodbye to you

It's been nice to meet you, and work with you too

Goodbye everybody, Goodbye everybody,  
Thank you, Thank You.

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