

Ghost Busters Sketch

Characters

Scout 1	<i>The leader of the group – bigger and older than the rest</i>
Scout 2	<i>The smallest and most timid</i>
Scout 3	
Scout 4	
Stage Manager	<i>Hunchback character – older</i>
Witch 1	<i>The lead witch – frustrated by younger trainee witches</i>
Witch 2	<i>Trainee witch</i>
Witch 3	<i>Trainee witch</i>
Pizza delivery man	<i>Headless tudor character</i>
Victor	<i>White sheet with eyes type ghost – small</i>
Paul	<i>Leader of the cast dressed as Mummy with bandages etc.</i>
Dracula	<i>Appears from coffin at end</i>
4 Painting characters	<i>Come out of pictures at end</i>
Skeletons x 8	<i>Take part in the chase sequence</i>

Four scouts enter the auditorium from the back. Using torches they make their way toward to stage making odd comments like It's dark in here, Do you know where we are? Watch it – don't trip up etc.

They come up onto stage

Scout 1 Hey I think this must be the stage – there's a light switch here

The lights come up.

Scout 1 That's better – now I can see properly

Scout 2 What a great idea – to have a Scout sleepover at The Victoria Theatre whilst the Gang Show is on.

Scout 3 Yeh – all we need to do is survive one night and we can have our nights away badges

Scout 4 It'll feel funny sleeping here in the middle of the stage

Scout 1 No not here – we've got to meet the stage manager first

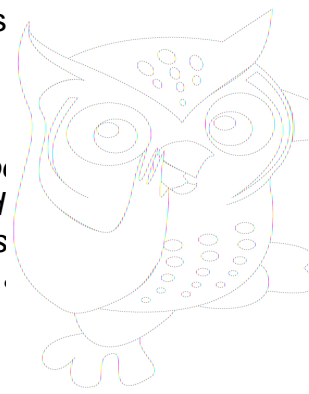
Stage Manager enters – he is a hunchback with some big keys, drags chains etc

SM Ah there you are – you must be the victims – uh nice young people who are silly enough – sorry – brave enough to sleep over here

Scout 1 Yes we're all ready to go – where should we put our sleeping bags

SM Through here – in the costume store !

The curtains open to reveal a costume and props store. There are many evil lo over from previous shows. Several wardrobes give plenty of doors to go in and large picture frames have characters in them which will come to life later in the s Egyptian Mummy's case is centre stage and there is a coffin. Lightening strike .



Scout 3 Cor what a spooky place !

Scout 4 Look at this (picks up an axe with blood on it) Where's this come from

SM *Hurriedly taking the axe -*
Er everythin g here is left over from previous shows – this came from er The Mad Axeman of Halifax Town – a play by – er – Shakespeare

Scout 4 Shakespeare ? I've never heard of that one

SM No it's one of his lesser known works (*Timid laugh*)

Scout 2 Well I know where these witches costumes come from – Macbeth – I've studied that at school

Scout 1 Yeh and these skeleton costumes – what were they all used for

SM Oh that's for when we have a skeleton staff on

Scout 1 comes to the front with a skeleton on a stand

Scout 1 Hey – why did the skeleton not go to see the Gang Show

All We don't know – why did the skeleton not go to the Gang Show ?

Scout 1 He had nobody to go with ! Nobody to go with

SM That's an old joke

Scout 1 Not as old as this skeleton !

SM Well it's time to abandon you – I mean leave you. Just one piece of advice !

All scouts What's that

SM Make sure you are asleep by midnight !

Scout 4 Midnight – why midnight ?

SM Just be asleep – or else !!!!

The stage manager leaves laughing then chokes. The scouts have to bang him on the back for him to recover.

SM Remember – midnight.

He leaves

Scout 1 What a weird guy. Still come on – let's set our stuff out here

They get out their sleeping bags from their rucksacks. Scout 3 gets a stove and the side of stage – it is wired ready for later in the sketch. Scout 2 keeps going and more stuff out of his ruck sack. A small bedside table, an alarm clock, a cu



kitchen sink, a wolly pink dressing gown, a vase with flowers in etc. The other scouts look on aghast. Finally he gets a hifi out of his bag.

Scout 2 Music anyone ?

He turns on the hi fi. Immediately the lights go out and Phantom of the Opera Theme comes on very loudly. The scouts all scream and run about with their torches. After a few seconds one scout finds the light switch. Lights come on and the music stops.

Scout 3 Phew – couldn't you have brought something else

Scout 2 Can I help it if I like Andrew Lloyd Webber

Scout 3 Well next time bring Starlight Express or something.

Scout 4 Come on after that I need to find the bathroom

Scout 1 OK Tooth brushes at the ready – quick march.

The four scouts leave the stage, looking for the wash-room holding their tooth brushes

3 witches come out of the wardrobe to the front of the stage with much cackling

Witch 1 What's this I see on our dressing room floor ?

Witch 2 A cooking pot and sleeping bags four

Witch 3 Lets brew up something horrid with disgusting taste

Witch 1/2 Come on then – lets make haste

Witch 1,2,3 Hubble Bubble Toil and Trouble, Cooking stove burn and Dixie bubble !

Witch 1 Have you got all the ingredients ?

Witch 2 and 3 produce supermarket carrier bags and all cackle

Witch 1 We'll mix ingredients nasty and smelly
To produce a stew for a small scout's belly
But those who eat it will sleep like a log
And wake in the morning looking like a frog !

Witches gather round the Dixie

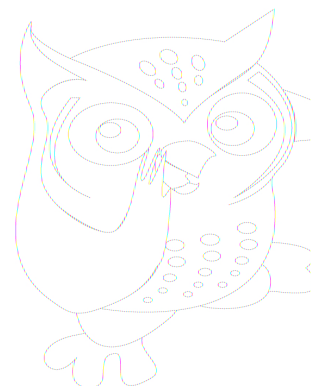
Witch 1,2,3 Hubble Bubble Toil and Trouble, Cooking stove burn and Dixie bubble !

Witch 1 Roundabout the Dixie go, in the poisoned entrails throw
Eye of newt and toe of frog

Witch 1 looks at witch 2

Eye of newt and toe of frog well have you got them

Witch 2 *Apologetically*



Sorry ASDA were right out of frogs toes and newts eyes were so expensive.

Witch 1 Hmm – what did you get instead ?

Witch 2 Here's a free range egg and some fair trade butter.

Witch 1 Eggs and butter ! They don't sound very evil – oh well chuck them in

She starts again in an evil voice – as she chants coloured smoke comes out of the dixie

Egg of hen and butter pat
Adder's fork and lizard's fat

She puts out her hand to witch 3 for the ingredients

Witch 3 Well – not quite

Witch 1 (Exasperated) What do you mean – not quite ?

Witch 3 Well TESCOs had a special offer on these

Witch 1 But this is Macaroni not adder's forks – and why have you brought these cheese strings ?

Witch 3 They were clean out of lizard fat

Witch 1 OK OK throw them in

She starts again in an evil voice – as she chants a different coloured smoke comes out of the Dixie !

Witch 1 Egg of hen and butter cubes
Taste of cheese and pasta tubes
To make the dish a little silly
I'm going to add a touch of Chilli

Cackle

Witch 1 Now something to drink I think – What about a bit of Bat's Urine to wash it down ?

Witch ½ We've got this – Morrisson's Orange drink

Witch 1 That'll do it tastes the same

All three cackle and return to the wardrobe.

The four scouts return

Scout 1 Look someone's been here – there's a meal ready

Scout 2 Who care's who's made it I'm starving

Scout 3 Hold it that drink looks funny - what do you think - it looks like Bats Urine !



Scout 1,2,and 4 all take a drink

Scout 1/2/4 Bat's Urine ! *They all drink up Mmm !*

Scout 3 takes a spoonful of the mixture in the Dixie – he looks up and smiles smacking his lips – suddenly he gasps and holds his throat and rolls about gasping on the floor

Scout 1 What on earth's the matter !

Scout 3 *Normal voice* I don't like Chilli !

Scout 2 Never mind about this cooking lark – lets ring out for a Pizza

Door bell sounds

Scout 4 That was quick
He goes over to stage left and re-enters with a pizza delivery man. He is dressed in tudor outfit and has no head !!!!

The scouts shaking give him some money and accept the pizza – the delivery man exits.

The four scouts gather round the pizza box and open the lid. A loud chord sounds and the lights go down. A light from the pizza box lights their faces as they scream. Lights come back up.

Scout 2 That's disgusting

Scout 4 That's horrible

Scout 1 Who ordered that !

Scout 3 Anchovies and olives – ugh.

Scout 1 Forget the food – lets get into our sleeping bags

Scout 4 Yeh you know what the weird guy said about midnight

Scout 1 You don't believe that do you (timid Laugh) – well do you

Scouts look at each other suddenly get into sleeping bags. All start snoring loudly.

Lights go out. A large spider, lit from inside, appears and drops down onto scout 2 accompanied with swanny whistle. Just before it lands scout 1 wakes up – sees the spider and screams – spider shoots up into top of stage. Lights come on – pictures have changed pose in background

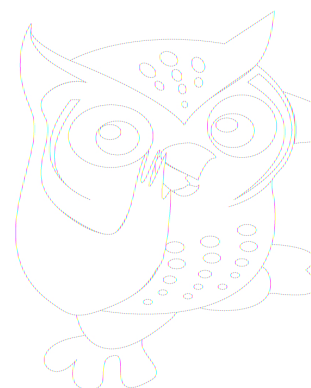
All scouts sit up

Scout 1 What's the matter !

Scout 2 It – it - it's huge and - and hairy and horrible !

Scout 3 What is ?

Scout 2 That thing (*looks upward*)



Scout 3 What thing – you must have been dreaming
Scout 1 Come on let's go back to sleep
Scout 2 Well I'm sleeping over here (*swaps with scout 4*)
Scout 4 Do you mind ?
Scout 2 I'm not moving – you can sleep over there
Scout 4 OK OK if you insist

All go to sleep – snoring. Lights go out

New lit spider appears over scout 1 again – drops with swanny whistle. Scout sits up and screams. Lights come on. Pictures have all changed pose again.

Scout 2 It – it's huge and horrible spider again

Scout 1 What is ? Your dreams are just playing tricks on you
As this speech is done a large spider gradually lowers over scout 1. All other scouts see the spider, point and tremble .
The encyclopedia of arachnid species states that no spider exists bigger than six inches in diameter – that is the tarantula found in S. America and as we are a long way away from S America the chances of seeing a giant - hairy – spider are
He looks up and sees the spider
Very high indeed – run !

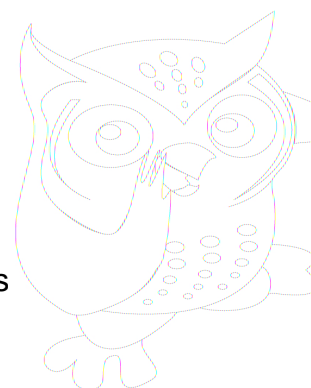
All four run around the stage going in and out of doors in wardrobes. Skeletons riun round too and they keep meeting up with each other. Strobe Lighting. Chase music.

Chase stops with four scouts huddled in centre of stage with midnight striking

As Midnight stikes, ghost characters come to life across the stage. The Mummy cas eopens to reveal a bandaged mummy. The coffin opens to reveal Dracula. Characters in paintings step out, switches reappear and all skeletons and Pizza delivery man and all start to move towards scouts zombie like.

- as the clock continues to strike.

Scout 3 What are we going to do ?
Scout 1 Hey I've got an idea. You remember - When there's something strange in your neighbourhood – who you gonna call ?
Scout 3 118 ?
Scout 4 Yellow Pages ?
Scout 1 No stupid ! Ghost Buasters !
Scouts 2/3/4 Oh yeh – Ghost Busters.
Scout 1 Here take these – I just happen to bring these ghost wobblifyer guns me



Hand out guns as Ghost Busters Music starts The guns fire silly string.

Scout 1 If there's something strange in the neighbour hood who you gonna call

Scout 2/3/4 Ghost Busters !

Scout 1 If there's something weird and it don't look good who you gonna call

Scout 2.3.4 Ghost Busters

All Scouts I aint scared of no ghost
I aint scared of no ghost

During the rest of the song – the scouts fire the guns at the ghosts.

Paul Ok Ok that's enough

Scout 3 Hey it's Paul from the show cast

Scout 4 Yeh and this one is Dave

Scout 2 And Harry

Scout 1 In fact –they're all our friends from the cast

Paul Yes – we were just trying to scare you for a joke.

Scout 2 Huh some joke – I need to change my trousers !

Paul I think we all need to get home now and rest ready for tomorrow's show

Scout 2 Yeh we certainly wobblified you lot !

*All ghost characters leave except for one small white ghost who we have only just noticed.
Scouts sit in a line.*

Scout 1 We certainly showed them what for

Scout 2 Yeh – nothing can scare us

Small white ghost sits next to scout 2 who does a double take, screams and runs off

Scout 4 Yeh fancy being scared of a load of stage costumes

Scout 4 does a double take, screams and runs off

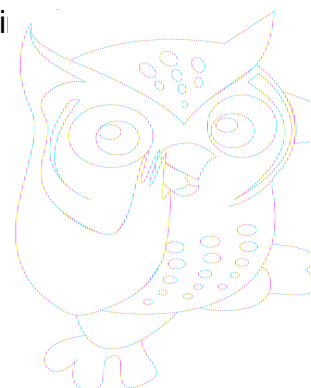
Scout 3 Who'd have thought we could have let our imaginations rule out brai

Scout 3 does a double take, screams and runs off

Scout 1 Ghost – par who would have thought it ?

Scout 1 feels ghost next to him. Double take . Gulp –

Mummy ! runs off



Small white ghost sits down fed up. Rubs eyes as though crying

Scout 2 Look – he's upset

Scout 3 Yeh is he crying ?

Scout 2 *Scout 2 comes out of hiding and sits next to Victor*
What's the matter ?

Victor No one ever hangs around long enough to make friends with me

Scout 2 But you're a real ghost – you're supposed to scare people

Victor But I'm Victor – the good ghost

Scout 2 Good ghost ?

Victor Yes I haunt the Victoria Theatre but it's no fun scaring people so now I do things to surprise people in a nice way. Like I hide sweets under some of the theatre seats.

Other scouts come out of hiding

Scout 2 I don't believe you

Victor OK – ask the audience to check now – see if I'm telling the truth or not ?

Scout 1 Has anyone found any sweets under their chairs out there ?

Scout 1 Yes it must be true then. Hey I've had a great idea. We'll go and disguise ourselves as ghosts and you can play a game. **COMPERE NAME** – come out here and meet Victor the good ghost.

Into Ghost Game.

