

Bucket Gods to the Rescue

Created & Performed By Ms. Tabacchi's 3rd Grade Class

Characters

Bucket Gods:

Buckaluna – Samantha
Rainbow Bucketry – Henry
Bobby, the funny god – Daniel P
Elsie – Arabella
Buckley – Skylar
Bart – David
Buck – Nicky
Bucket Dipping God – Isaac

Students:

Bullay – Max
Carl – Adam
Lisa – Isabella
Katy – Jessica
Thesis, awkward girl – Rachel

Bucket Guards:

Bucker – Seth
Buckler – Daniel D

Scene 1

Bucket Gods sit in their castle. Guards stand guard.

BART: Did you know that everyone in the world walks around carrying an invisible bucket?

BUCKLEY: It holds your good thoughts and good feelings about yourself.

ELSIE: You feel very happy and good when your bucket is full, and you feel very sad and lonely when your bucket is empty.

DANIEL: Here in Buckanian, the bucket gods help fill each other's buckets all day long,

RAINBOW BUCKETRY: and we have bucket guards to keep an eye out on what's happening on earth.

BUCK: When the guards see someone dipping into someone else's bucket, stealing their good feelings, they sound the alarm so we can swoop in to help!

Bucket Gods laugh happily.

BUCKALUNA: That must be Bobby telling jokes again. He makes everyone laugh to fill our buckets.

BOBBY: Thanks, Buckaluna. We're really lucky to have you and Buckley since you care so much about saving people from getting bullied.

BUCKLEY: Thank you, Bobby. Elsie, you're so nice. Thank you for caring for us.

ELSIE: Thank you Buckley. Bart is very caring too. He's always buying presents for his grandmother.

BART: Thanks, Elsie. Rainbowbucketry, I love that even when you're nervous, you work hard to fill buckets.

RAINBOWBUCKETRY: Thanks, Bart. Bucker, I think you're the bravest guard ever.

BUCK: Yeah, you do such a great job.

BUCKER: Thanks! It's easy since I have Buckler to work with me. You're such a great partner!

BUCKLER: Thanks!

Scene 2

BUCKET DIPPER GOD: It's not always so nice up there in Buckanian. Let me tell you how it all started. The Bucket Dipper God – that's me – and Buckaluna the Bucket Filler God were brother and sister. When we were little our mom said we were special. A couple years later they abandoned me and none of those other gods did anything to help. So now I want to make everyone miserable, to make them feel what I felt. That's how I became the Bucket Dipper God! They know I'm down here trying to get kids to dip into each other's buckets, so I have to be really sneaky.

Bucket Dipper God (BDG) watches as Bullay and Carl talk to Lisa.

BULLAY: Hey, Carl.

CARL: Having a good day? I hope you are.

BULLAY: Yeah, you?

LISA: Hey, what are you doing, guys?

BULLAY: Hey, let's go get breakfast.

LISA: No, I will just eat alone. Mmmm, yummy cereal.

BULLAY: Watcha eatin'?

LISA: Nothing, get out of here.

BDG jumps out, disguised as a kid.

BDG: Hey, Bullay, I need to talk to you.

BULLAY: Okay.

CARL: I'm coming too.

BDG: No! (*He walks away with Bullay. Carl listens.*) Hi, I'm John.

BULLAY: What are you doing here?

BDG: I can offer you a deal.

BULLAY: Okay.

CARL: (*shouts from across the stage*) Don't take the deal!

BDG: Be quiet and get out of here!

BULLAY: So what is the deal?

BDG: Okay, here is the deal.

BULLAY: Listening.

BDG: If you become a bully and dip into other kids' buckets, I'll make sure your bucket is full all the time.

BULLAY: All the time?

BDG: All the time.

BULLAY: Deal.

Bullay and BDG sit on the side to watch the other kids. Thesis enters reading a book. Katy goes over to her.

KATY: Is that a horse book? I love horses.

THESIS: Yeah.

KATY: Can I see it? Woah, there are so many cool pictures in here.

THESIS: Thanks.

KATY: Hey, do you want to sit next to me at lunch? And for when we pick our desks in the classroom?

THESIS: That sounds spectictactacle!

Thesis and Katy sit near Lisa. BDG pushes Bullay toward them.

BULLAY: Hey, what are you doing, loser? Eating all by yourself. This nerd and her stupid friend won't even talk to you.

Bucker and Buckler stand watching on duty. Buckler doses off.

BUCKER: Wake up! You're on duty.

BUCKLER: Sorry. *Looking through binoculars, pointing to BULLAY.* Do you see that!?

BUCKER: What!?! Where? *He looks.*

BOTH: Bucket dipping!

The Bucket Guards sound the alarm and the scene with the students freezes.

BUCKET GUARDS: ALARM! ALARM! ALARM!

The Bucket Gods jump down to earth and the students unfreeze. BDG stays hidden.

BUCKALUNA: Stop right there!

KIDS: Who are you?

BUCK: We're the Bucket Filler Gods!

BART: Bullay, do not take one more dip out of these girls' buckets!

BUCKLEY: We are here to save you!

3 BUCKET GUARDS: Yeah!

BOBBY: There are lots of ways to fill each other's buckets that are way more fun than dipping into them. You could make people laugh, like me. Why did the chicken cross the road?

ELSIE: Why?

BOBBY: To get to outer space!

All the Bucket Gods and Guards laugh happily.

RAINBOW BUCKETRY: You could say nice things to people. Katy, I think it's great that you decided to make Thesis your friend.

KATY: Thank you. My bucket is filling up fast.

BUCKLEY: And you can stand up for people when someone tries to dip into their bucket.

BDG: *(to audience)* Then how come they didn't stand up for me?

BUCKALUNA: Once, we didn't stand up for my brother when he really needed us. He left Buckania and now we really miss him.

ELSIE: We're really sorry for what we did. We wish we could have him back.

BDG: I'm not ready to forgive them. I don't think they really mean it. So I will keep dipping into buckets everywhere!

BDG runs away.

BART: So do whatever you can to fill each other's buckets! You can start by apologizing, Bullay.

BULLAY: I'm sorry, Lisa. I'm sorry, Thesis. I'm sorry, Katy.

BULLAY: And Carl, I'm sorry for not listening to you when you told me to stay away from that creepy guy who told me dipping into everyone else's buckets would fill mine.

GIRLS + CARL: It's okay.

BUCKET GODS: Our work here is done!