| **The Book That Jake Borrowed** |  |  |
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Reader’s Theater Script

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**Characters: 11**

Narrator 1 Rat

Narrator 2 Dog

Narrator 3 Cat

Narrator 4 Jake

Narrator 5

Narrator 6

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**Narrator 1**: This is Jake.

**Narrator 2**: This is the book

**Narrator 3**: that Jake borrowed.

**Narrator 4**: This is the jelly that dripped on the book

**Jake:** “Oh, no!”

**Narrator 5:** that jake borrowed.

**Narrator 6**: This is the rat

**Rat:** “ZZZZZZZZZ”

**Narrator 1:** that licked the jelly

**Narrator 2:** “Oh, gross!”

**Narrator 3**: that dripped on the book

| **Jake:** “Oh, no!”  **Narrator 4:** that Jake borrowed.  **Narrator 5:** This is the cat  **Cat:** “Meow, meow.”  **Narrator 6:** that caught the rat  **Rat:** “Squeak, squeak.”  **Narrator 1:** that licked the jelly  **Narrator 2:** “Oh, gross!”  **Narrator 3:** that dripped on the book  **Jake:** “Oh, no!”  **Narrator 4:** that Jake borrowed.  **Narrator 5:** This is the dog  **Dog:** “Woof, woof.”  **Narrator 6:** that chased the cat  **Cat:** “Meow, meow.”  **Narrator 1:** that caught the rat  **Rat:** “Squeak, squeak.”  **Narrator 2:** that licked the jelly  **Narrator 3:** “Oh, gross!”  **Narrator 4:** that dripped on the book  **Jake:** “Oh, no!”  **Narrator 5:** that Jake borrowed. |  |  |
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**Narrator 6:** This is the book with the pages torn

**Narrator 1:** that was chewed by the dog

**Dog:** “Woof, woof!”

**Narrator 2:** that chased the cat

**Cat:** “Meow, meow!”

**Narrator 3:** that caught the rat

**Rat:** “Squeak, squeak!”

**Narrator 4:** that licked the jelly

**Narrator 5:** “Oh, gross!”

**Narrator 6:** that dripped on the book

**Jake:** “Oh, no!”

**Narrator 1:** that Jake borrowed.

**Narrator 2**: This is Jake the very next morn

**Narrator 3**: holding the book with the pages torn

**Jake:** “I’m sorry.”

**Narrator 4:** that was chewed by the dog

**Dog:** “Woof, woof!”

**Narrator 5:** that chased the cat

**Cat:** “Meow, meow!”

**Narrator 6:** that caught the rat

**Rat:** “Squeak, squeak!”

|  | **Narrator 1:** that licked the jelly  **Narrator 2:** “Oh, gross!”  **Narrator 3:** that dripped on the book  **Jake:** “Oh, no!”  **Narrator 4:** that Jake borrowed.  **Narrator 5:** This is Jake’s bank all cracked and worn  **Narrator 6:** that pays for the book all tattered and torn  **Narrator 1:** that was chewed by the dog  **Dog:** “Woof, woof!”  **Narrator 2:** that chased the cat  **Cat:** “Meow, meow!”  **Narrator 3:** that caught the rat  **Rat:** “Squeak, squeak!”  **Narrator 4:** that licked the jelly  **Narrator 5:** “Oh, gross!”  **Narrator 6:** that dripped on the book  **Jake:** “Oh, no!”  **Narrator 1:** that Jake borrowed.  **Narrator 2:** This is the librarian all forlorn  **Narrator 3:** as she talks about books with the pages torn  **Narrator 4:** with big jelly drips that are licked by rats |  |
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| **Rat:** “Squeak, squeak!”  **Narrator 5:** that are chased by cats  **Cat:** “Meow, meow!”  **Narrator 6:** and chewed by dogs.  **Dog:** “Woof, woof!”  **Narrator 1:** Those library books that kids borrow.  **Narrator 2:** BUT, she’s the librarian she adores.  **Narrator 3:** She lets him have books, not one but four  **Jake:** “Yep, four!”  **Narrator 4:** with no jelly drips  **Jake:** “Oh, no!”  **Narrator 5:** that are licked by rats  **Rat:** “Squeak, squeak!”  **Narrator 6:** “Oh, gross!”  **Narrator 1:** that are chased by cats  **Cat:** “Meow, meow!”  **Narrator 2:** or chewed by dogs  **Dog:** “Woof, woof!”  **Narrator 3:** Wonderful books that Jake borrows. |  |  |
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