

READERS' THEATER BASED ON  
**Sam & Dave Dig a Hole**  
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Characters:

Narrator 1  
Narrator 2  
Narrator 3  
Sam  
Dave  
Dog  
Dog Translator

Sam & Dave: Sam & Dave Dig a Hole

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Sam: Hi, I'm Sam.

Dave: And I'm Dave.

Dog: Woof!

Translator: Woof means, "Hi. I'm their dog."

Narrator 3: On Monday Sam and Dave dug a hole.

Sam: When should we stop digging?

Dave: We are on a mission. We won't stop digging until we find something spectacular.

Dog: Arf!

Translator: "Yes."

Narrator 1: The hole got so deep that their heads were underground,

Narrator 2: But they still had not found anything spectacular.

Dave: We need to keep digging.

Dog: Woof, arf, arf, bark, barkety, bark.

Translator: That means, "I think I smell something spectacular right next to this hole."

Narrator 3: But they kept digging.

Narrator 1: They took a break.

Narrator 2: Dave drank chocolate milk out of a canteen.

Narrator 3: Sam ate animal cookies he had wrapped in their grandfather's kerchief.

Dave: Maybe the problem is that we are digging straight down.

Sam: Yes, that could be the problem.

Dave: I think we should dig in another direction.

Sam: Yes, that is a good idea.

Dog: Bark, Bark! Arf! Barkety, barkety, bark, Woof!

Translator: Wait! Wait! There's something spectacular right here under our feet!

Dave: I have a new idea. Let's split up.

Sam: Really?

Dave: Just for a little while. It will help our chances.

Dog: Whine. Whine. Arf, arf!

Translator: Not a good idea. You'll find it if you just dig another two feet!

Narrator 1: But Dave went one way.

Narrator 2: and Sam went another.

Narrator 3: And they did not find anything spectacular.

Dog: Grrr, Grr, bark!

Translator: You two missed something even more spectacular this time!

Dave: Maybe we should go back to digging straight down.

Dog: Aoo, Aoo, Aooooooooooooo!

Translator: Wait! Wait! There's something amazingly spectacular right here!

Sam: Yes, that is a good idea.

Narrator 1: Dam and Dave ran out of chocolate milk.

Narrator 2: But they kept digging.

Narrator 3: They shared the last animal cookie.

Narrator 1: But they kept digging.

Narrator 3: After a while Sam sat down.

Sam: Dave, I am tired. I cannot dig anymore.

Dave: I am tired too. We should take a rest.

Dog: Bark?

Translator: Is that a bone I smell?

Dog: Hmmm!

Translator: Yummy! It is a bone!

Narrator 1: Sam and Dave fell asleep.

Narrator 2: Then Sam and Dave were falling.

Narrator 3: Sam and Dave fell down, down, down...

Narrator 1: ...until they landed in the soft dirt.

Sam: Well.

Dave: Well, that was pretty spectacular.

Dog: Boof.

Translator: If you like landing on your head.

Narrator 2: And they went inside their house

Narrator 3: for chocolate milk and animal cookies.

Dog: Hmm, hmmm.

Translator: Well, at least I got this bone. Yummy.