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THE Enchanted Exam

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ENCHANTED EXAM

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Synopsis

Three boys fall asleep during exams. When they wake up, they realize that they are in a different dimension. They cannot see people, only the resident school ghosts. They have to work with the ghosts to get back to reality.

Cast of Characters

Gender Breakout: 3 M, 4 any

TOM	A curious, daydreaming boy with a creative mind.
BEN	An anxious overachiever obsessed with grades and parental approval.
OLIVER	The comic relief, a confident joker who struggles with seriousness.
SOPHIE/GHOST 1	A playful ghost who loves to tell stories.
FRED /GHOST 2	A serious, scholarly ghost, dressed in outdated school attire.
BESSIE/GHOST 3	A friendly and nurturing ghost with a penchant for nostalgia.
WHISKERS/THE TALKING CAT	A wise, witty cat that guides the boys through the other realm.

Place

A traditional British private school classroom. Wooden desks, chalkboards covered in dusty lessons, shelves filled with textbooks, and a large window revealing a cloudy sky. The room has an air of nostalgia and a hint of eeriness, hinting at the school's long history.

ACT I

Scene 1 - The Exam Room

Setting: Three desks are arranged in a row center stage. Papers are scattered, and a clock ticks softly.

At Rise: TOM, BEN, and OLIVER are slumped over their desks, struggling to stay awake during an exam. The room is dimly lit.

TOM *(yawning)*

I can't remember a thing. Did I even study?

BEN

(frantically writing, glancing at the clock)

You really should have! If I fail, I'll never hear the end of it.

OLIVER *(smirking)*

You'll hear it in your dreams, mate!

(The boys chuckle but soon fall silent, each fighting to stay awake.)

(As they begin to drift off, the lights fade slightly, and a soft wind blows through the stage. A magical ambiance fills the air. The boys' heads lower to their desks as they fall into a deep sleep.)

(The lights come up again. The boys awaken, bewildered, in a vibrant, whimsical landscape filled with oversized flowers and strange creatures. WHISKERS, the talking cat, struts into view, grooming himself.)

WHISKERS/THE TALKING CAT

(playful tone)

Well, isn't this a delightful surprise! Sleeping during your exams, are we?

TOM *(confused)*

Where are we? This doesn't look like the classroom!

BEN

(looking around anxiously)

This is...strange. Are we dreaming?

OLIVER *(casually)*

If this is a dream, I hope my parents are not in it!

(SOPHIE/GHOST 1 appears from behind a flower.)

SOPHIE/GHOST 1

Oh, worry not! You've entered the realm of Whimsical Reflections!

(FRED/GHOST 2 sternly appears beside SOPHIE.)

FRED /GHOST 2

And it's imperative you find your way back! The longer you stay, the more you'll lose your sense of self.

(BESSIE/GHOST 3 floats gracefully into view, smiling.)

BESSIE/GHOST 3

But fret not! We're here to help.

TOM

(rubbing his eyes)

This can't be real. We were just in class...

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Scene 2 - The Path of Reflection

Setting: The stage shifts to reveal a winding path lined with mirrors and wildflowers.

At Rise: The boys hesitate at the path's entrance, exchanging nervous glances.

WHISKERS/THE TALKING CAT

(pointing with a paw)

You must each step forward and face a reflection that will show your deepest fears.

TOM *(nervously)*

I don't want to see what frightens me!

BESSIE/GHOST 3 *(comforting)*

But sometimes, confronting your fears is the only way to conquer them.

(The boys take a deep breath and step onto the path. They look into the mirrors one by one.)

(In TOM's mirror: the reflection shows him standing alone in a vast emptiness, the sound of silence overwhelming him.)

TOM

(voice trembling)

I'm afraid of being alone...of not being good enough.

(The mirror shimmers, and the reflection swirls, echoing the fears.)

SOPHIE/GHOST 1 *(gently)*

You must know that you are never truly alone, Tom.

(In BEN's mirror: he sees himself failing an exam, with disappointed looks from his parents.)

BEN *(fumbling)*

No! I don't want to see that! I can't fail…

(The mirror shifts to show him being supported by friends.)

FRED /GHOST 2 *(calmly)*

Fear of failure is human. But remember, we all learn from our mistakes.

(In OLIVER's mirror: he sees himself telling a joke but no one laughing.)

OLIVER *(sighing)*

Everyone thinks I'm just the funny guy.

(The mirror reveals an image of him sharing laughter and joy with friends.)

BESSIE/GHOST 3 *(encouraging)*

Your humor brings happiness. Let it shine!

(The boys circle back to the center of the path, visibly shaken but stronger.)

WHISKERS/THE TALKING CAT *(nodding)*

You've faced your fears. Now, what do you wish to embrace in return?

TOM *(confidently)*

I want to believe in myself.

BEN *(sincerely)*

I want to be proud of my achievements, without fear.

OLIVER *(affirmatively)*

And I want to be seen for who I am, not just the jester.

SOPHIE/GHOST 1

(clapping her hands)

Perfect! Embrace those truths!

(A bright light engulfs the stage, transforming the surroundings into a winding path toward a glimmering portal.)

(End of Play)



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