



BUCKET FILL-OSOPHY 101™

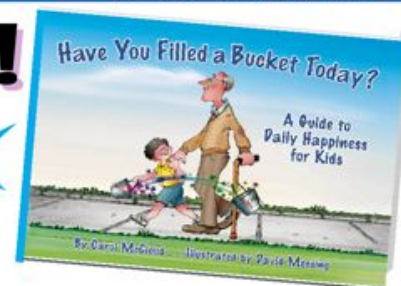
Words of Wisdom to Keep Your Bucket Filled

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BRAVO! ENCORE! It's Now a PLAY!

By Carol McCloud



Our book, *Have You Filled a Bucket Today?*, continues to spread the wholesome and positive message of bucket filling around the globe.

Now there is a delightful one-act play, with the same name, available to schools and theatre groups, and it's appropriate for the entire family.

Created by Playwright Ann Marie Gardinier Halstead, an Associate

Professor of Performance and Communication Arts at St. Lawrence University in Canton, New York, the play tells the story of Trey, a 4th grade student who learns about bucket filling from his camp counselor Mimi (the teacher figure of the play), Professor Smarty Pants III (a science professor who loves talking about himself), and the Bucket Filling Fairy, also known as "BFF" (a magical creature who speaks in rhyme):

*"Bucket Filling Fairy is my name
and filling buckets is my game!
Gee oh gee, boy oh boy,
filling buckets brings so much joy!"*

The theatrical adaptation had professional and educational premieres in 2011. Audiences commented that the one-act, high-energy play is a creative and effective way for schools to address bullying and spread the bucketfilling philosophy.

Elementary or middle schools could produce the play with students or staff actors or a combination of both.

High school drama clubs could present the play to their district's elementary schools. The performance runs 45-50 minutes, which makes it perfect for school assemblies. Theatre companies and other organizations could offer the play at a single venue or take it on the road to different schools.

There are also many classroom applications for the play. The skits with a summer camp setting, which include bucketfilling and dipping scenarios, make great role-play exercises for students to better understand and model bucket filling behaviors.

How do you acquire copies of the play? Review copies of the script are available for \$10.95 at www.bucketfillingplay.com. The review copy allows you to use the play in your classroom or home.

Play production rights are available to schools for \$100 for 10 scripts (free shipping) and \$50 for the first performance and \$45 for each additional performance.

Your Bucket Fillers Team looks forward to hearing about your experience with this new and important bucketfilling tool.

Professor Gardinier Halstead has an MFA in Theatre Pedagogy/Directing from Virginia Commonwealth University and a BA in English/Secondary Education from Le Moyne College



A Rhyme from the Play

*When I fill someone's bucket, I make them feel great.
We all know that love is much better than hate.
When I fill someone's bucket, I fill mine up too.
It makes me feel happier when I am blue.
So be kind, help others, and show your appreciation;
Before you know it, we'll be a bucketfilling nation!*

--- Ann Marie Gardinier Halstead

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Congratulations, Andrea

Andrea Wilson of Valdosta, Georgia is our bucket filler of the week. You have a book coming your way. Every bucket filler is a winner. Encourage your friends to get their buckets filled by subscribing to our free e-newsletter at www.bucketfillers101.com

Words of Wisdom

"Art is about energy positive and negative. All art has the power to heal because it helps us see who we are, and what we resist."
— Shirley MacLaine, actress and author