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Inside Out

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SUGGESTED SCENIC ELEMENTS:

- Sock chandelier that descends from ceiling. Has socks hanging on it. Has the ability to be lowered.
- Two coat hanger wire sculptures that hold Mom and Dad clothing, respectively.
- One long closet pole that holds various clothing that is used in the show.
- Audience is each given a small bag of props that includes: a t-shirt, a clothes pin, a sock and a small glove

As audience enter both characters are playing on their own part of the stage.

PRESHOW

1 Pre Show Music

Brother is on stage when kids start coming in. He interacts with them as they enter. He begins tidying up a little bit & can ask things like: *what do you do before you go to bed? Do you have a sister or brother? Do you like to go to bed or do you try to stay up later?*

Sister is hiding in her blanket fort peeking out and throwing sock bombs occasionally.

Brother will leave to brush his teeth when house closes

House Speech:

Please turn of cell phones. No Pictures. No food. Stay in your spot. When asked to get up that's where you go back to. Put the stuff back in your bags until you need it....etc.

Sister comes out and runs around using the blankets as a cape making more mess, starts singing 5 Little Monkeys. She starts jumping on her bed, then Brother's bed.

After the 3rd monkey falls off the bed Sister hears

Brother entering and she hides again **2- Musical Motif 1**

SEQUENCE ONE: Getting ready for bed

Brother: Bed time! (*notices beds*) What a mess!

Sister throws final sock bomb and hits Brother in the back

Sister laughs; the children tell him she is under there

Brother creeps over to duvet den and lifts up the edge

Sister squeals

Brother drops duvet then re-lifts up edge of quilt

Brother squeals

Brother: The bed's a mess!

Sister: It's a fort!

Brother: Not anymore! Fix the beds! *(walks over to his bed followed by Sister under the duvet being a monster)*

Sister: I'm the bedtime mon-ster! Fix the beds, fix the beds! I'M THE BEDTIME MON-STER!

Brother: Stop it.

Sister: *(mimicking)* Stop it. Stop it.

Sister: *(Brother takes off duvet)* Ah! Can't we play for 5 more minutes

Brother: No, mom said it's Bedtime. Watch! **3 – Musical Motif 2**

(Brother makes bed with sound gestures.

Sister tries to make her bed and makes a mess unintentionally, **4 – Musical Motif 3**

Brother goes to help fix it, Sister starts twirling around)

Brother: You're not ready for bed. You can't sleep in your clothes!

Sister: Yes I can, look! *(she pretends to be asleep)*

Brother: Put your pajamas on!

Sister: No, I'm asleep!

(Brother helps Sister get physically undressed with a little slap stick shirt covering head—then finally dresses her in pajama top) **4 – Musical Motif 3**

Sister: Buttons?

Brother does up her buttons for her **4 – Musical Motif 3**

Brother: Pants.

Sister: Pants.

(Sister puts 2 legs in one leg of the pants (animates like a dog tail.) – audience tells them and they fix it.) **4 – Musical Motif 3**

Brother: We have to clean up. *(He begins cleaning up)*

Sister: Time for bed. You have to take off your hat.

Brother: No, it's my special hat *(hat motif)* **5 – Special Hat Motif**

Sister: You can't sleep in it,

Brother: Yes I can

Sister: No. Mom said.

SEQUENCE TWO: Folding

Brother: *(looking at area of stage that Sister has been in)* Mom said we need to put our clothes away.
Folding! *(excited)*

Sister: Folding *(disappointed)*

Brother folds t-shirt with specific sound pattern

(shh, shh, cha. shing, shing, mmm, PA!) **6 – Folding Good**

Sister folds t-shirt wrong with same specific sound pattern **7 – Folding Fail**

Brother folds t-shirt with specific sound pattern **6 – Folding Good**

Sister ties t-shirt to another t-shirt using same specific sound pattern **7 – Folding Fail**

Brother: That's not how you fold! Everyone please look inside your laundry bag and take out the T- shirt that looks like this? And we'll show her how to fold. Put it in front of you like this. Ready?

(Use same specific sound pattern as before encouraging audience to join in. This may need to be done 2-3 times with audience following along or repeating) **6 – Folding Good**

Sister: Good job!

Brother: Great work everyone. Please carefully bring your folded T-shirt to me and place it in our laundry basket. **2 – Musical Motif 1**

(Sister brings over the t-shirts that she tied together to add to the basket)

Brother: Not that! Too messy!

Sister experiments with t-shirt rope

Brother: *(reaching for the rope)* We need to fold these!

SEQUENCE THREE: Adventures with a rope of Clothing

Brother inadvertently pulls other end of tied up clothes to put them away and winds t-shirt rope into Sister... they notice the fun in doing this and make it a game...each game then evolves from the next quite organically) Twirling leads into skipping rope

Skipping rope leads into climbing a mountain

Sister: Pull me up the mountain!

Brother: There is no mountain

Sister: Yes there is.

(she builds a mountain out of the sheets, mattress and pillows) **8 – Building the Mountain**

See?

Brother: That's not a mountain. (*Brother makes it better*)

That's a mountain.

Brother stand on top of the bedclothes as if on mountain. Climbing a mountain leads into lowering Brother down a mountain...

Sister: Okay! Pull me up the mountain! (*climbs up*) _____ **9 – Climbing Up the Mnt.**

Brother: That was close! Echoooooooo!

Sister: Echo, Echo, Echo, Echo!

Brother: Lower me down! (*climbs down*) _____ **10 – Climbing down the Mnt.**

Sister: It's too short! (*shouting down mountain*)

Brother: What do I do? (*calling up*)

Sister: Use your hat! Tie your hat on! (*Calling down*)

Brother: (*drops clothing rope*) No! Not my special hat! _____ **11 – Special Hat Motif Scary**

Sister: Yes! Use it to get off the mountain!

Brother: (*'should I?' look to audience*)

Sister: Yes, use it, shouldn't he?

Brother: (*ties their lucky hat onto the clothes line to make it longer*)

OK! Ready! _____ **10 – Climbing down the Mnt.**

Sister: Don't fall off! (*he falls*)

Sister: I'll save you, grab a hold! I'll save you. _____ **12 – Mountain Rescue**

Both walk the tight rope as both hum a circus tune _____ **13 – Tightrope Walking**

Both ski down the slope jumping over the line of clothes.

Sister: Gold!

Brother: Lets race! (*tries to speed skate on the floor*)

Sister: What's wrong?

Brother: It's not slippy enough

Brother & Sister: Socks! _____ **14 – Sock Dance Vamp**