

Noah's Ark

NOAH

NARRATOR 1

NARRATOR 2 [*Narrators could be two groups*]

NOAH'S WIFE

SHEM

SHEM'S WIFE

HAM

HAM'S WIFE

JAPHETH

JAPHETH'S WIFE

ANIMAL PAIRS

[including: crows, eagles, magpies, lions, dogs, cats, hawks, kangaroos, tigers, swans, doves]

SCENE 1

OPENING

INSTRUMENTAL: Two by Two

Music plays, then towards the end the curtains open to reveal Noah, Noah's wife, Shem, Ham, Japheth and their wives working at such things as digging, planting, washing etc. Then they sing ...

SONG 1: A simple Life

When song ends, family exits PS, and Noah is left alone.

NARRATOR 1: Long ago, there was a man named Noah.
He lived happily with his wife and three sons,
Shem, Ham, Japheth and their wives.

NARRATOR 2: One day, God spoke to Noah.

Spotlight appears on Noah.

He told Noah he was going to make a flood to
destroy all the selfish and cruel people on earth.

(Noah nods to the Heavens)

NARRATOR 1: Noah was a good man who remembered God,
so he and his family would be spared.

NARRATOR 2: God told Noah he must build an ark, three
storeys high, made from gopher wood.

NOAH: I have to go for the wood!

(Noah exits)

NARRATOR 1: Noah quickly set to work. It was a big job, so he
had to work at it night and day.

*Hammering and banging is heard from offstage.
Family enters PS wearing night-caps, carrying
teddies and looking very tired.*

NOAH'S WIFE: It's 3 o'clock in the morning!

SHEM: He's been at it for six weeks.

HAM'S WIFE: I can't take much more of this.

SONG: Driving Us Crazy

Sung by Noah's wife, sons and daughters-in-law.

As the song ends, a loud bang, followed by an 'OUCH' is heard offstage.

NOAH: *(appearing briefly OP with a large bandage on his hand)* I reckon I'll be finished by the Pharoah's Birthday long weekend.

The family groans.

BLACKOUT