

Stories **on** Stage

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Liberty Café is Open

(Script adapted from the story)

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Characters:

Narrators 1-11

Alice Ann

Uncle Spurge

Miss Henny Penny

Annabelle, the cat

The daisies

Abner, the dog

House boaters

Gilly, the gull

Mom & Dad

Narrator 1: Alice Ann moves to a new house in a new city. A new baby arrives.

Alice Ann: Where's my lucky star? (sobs)
I wish I could have a real birthday party.

Narrator 1: Alice Ann receives an invitation.

Narrator 2: Voila! It's Alice Ann's lucky star.

Uncle Spurge: (or Alice Ann)

Dear Alice Ann,
Please come to my house for a birthday visit. I will take you to breakfast at Liberty Café
Love Uncle Spurge.

Narrator 1: Alice Ann arrives at Uncle Spurge's house

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: Ding dong, ding dong (bell)
Miss Henny Penny's Liberty Bell rings in the morning.

Alice Ann: S-t-r-e-t-ch-Y-a-w-n.

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: The red, white, and blue flag flutters over 51 Liberty Dock...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong (bell)

Alice Ann: What should I wear?
S-t-r-e-t-ch...p-u-l-l!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: Annabelle, the cat, meows through the early mist.

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong (bell)

Annabelle, the cat: Where is Alice Ann?

Alice Ann: Uncle Spurge, are you asleep?

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: The daisies in the planter box smile at the peeking sun.

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong (bell)

The daisies: Is Alice Ann coming?

Alice Ann: Wake up! Wake up!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

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Narrator 1: Abner, the dog, barks at the day.

Narrator 6: The daisies smile...

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong
(bell)

Abner, the dog: Where is Alice Ann?

Alice Ann: Rat-a-tat-tat!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: Miss Henny Penny stirs the batter of Penny Pancakes!

Narrator 7: The dog barks...

Narrator 6: The daisies smile...

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong
(bell)

Miss Henny Penny: What happened to Alice Ann?

Alice Ann: Swish-swoosh!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: The sausage sizzles in the griddle!

Narrator 8: Miss Henny Penny stirs...

Narrator 7: The dog barks...

Narrator 6: The daisies smile...

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong
(bell)

Miss Henny Penny: Where is Alice Ann?

Alice Ann: You're awake!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: The house boaters cheer,
"Breakfast's in the air!"

Narrator 9: The sausage sizzles...

Narrator 8: Miss Henny Penny stirs...

Narrator 7: The dog barks...

Narrator 6: The daisies smile...

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings...ding dong
(bell)

House boaters: Did Alice Ann oversleep?

Alice Ann: I'll race you to Liberty Cafe!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: Gilly, the gull, calls through the curling smoke.

Narrator 10: The houseboaters cheer...

Narrator 9: The sausage sizzles...

Narrator 8: Miss Henny Penny stirs...

Narrator 7: The dog barks...

Narrator 6: The daisies smile...

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

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(bell)

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Gilly, the gull: Alice Ann!

Alice Ann is coming!

Alice Ann: I'm winning!

Narrator 2: And everyone is waiting for
Alice Ann.

Narrator 1: Voila! Alice Ann wins the race
to Liberty Café!

Narrator 11: The gull calls...

Narrator 10: The house boaters cheer...

Narrator 9: The sausage sizzles...

Narrator 8: Miss Henny Penny stirs...

Narrator 7: The dog barks...

Narrator 6: The daisies smile...

Narrator 5: The cat meows...

Narrator 4: The flag flutters...

Narrator 3: The bell rings... ding dong
(bell)

House boaters: It's Alice Ann!

Narrator 2: And no one is waiting for
Alice Ann!

House boaters: Shh! Shh! It's Alice Ann!

Uncle Spurge and Alice Ann: Good morn-
ing, Miss Henny Penny!

House boaters: Surprise! Happy Birthday,
Alice Ann!

Narrator 1: Ding dong Ding dong (bell)
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Mom & Dad: (phone rings)
Happy Birthday, Alice Ann!

Alice Ann: Can I come to Uncle Spurge's
for my birthday again next year?
Yippee! Wishes can come true!

Kitty: Meow.