Readers' Theatre Script

Frog and Toad by Arnold Lobel
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Narrator 1   Narrator 2   Narrator 3   Narrator 4
Frog        Toad

Narrator 1: Toad was sitting on his front porch.
Narrator 2: Frog came along and said
Frog: What is the matter, Toad? You are looking sad.
Toad: Yes, this is my sad time of day. It is the time when I wait for the mail to come. It always makes me very unhappy.
Frog: Why is that?
Toad: Because I never get any mail.
Frog: Not ever?!?!?
Toad: No, never. No one has ever sent me a letter. Every day my mailbox is empty. That is why waiting for the mail is a sad time for me.
Narrator 3: Frog and Toad sat on the porch, feeling sad together.
Frog: I have to go home now Toad! There is something that I must do!
Narrator 4: Frog hurried home.
Narrator 2: He found a pencil and piece of paper.
Narrator 3: He wrote on the paper.
Narrator 1: He put the paper in an envelope.

Narrator 4: On the envelope, he wrote

All Narrators: A LETTER FOR TOAD.

Narrator 2: Frog ran out of his house.

Narrator 1: He saw a snail that he knew.

Frog: Snail, please take this letter to Toad's house and put it in his mailbox.

Narrator 2: The snail was happy to do it.

Narrator 4: Then Frog ran back to Toad's house.

Narrator 3: Toad was in bed, taking a nap.

Frog: Toad, I think you should get up and wait for the mail some more.

Toad: NO. I am tired of waiting for the mail.

Narrator 2: Frog looked out of the window at Toad's mailbox.

All Narrators: The snail was not there yet.

Frog: Toad, you never know when someone may send you a letter.

Toad: No, no. I do not think that anyone will ever send me a letter.

Narrator 4: Frog looked out of the window.

All Narrators: The snail was not there yet.

Frog: But Toad, someone may send you a letter today!

Toad: Don't be silly. No one has ever sent me a letter before and no one will send me a letter today.

Narrator 3: Frog looked out of the window.

All Narrators: The snail was STILL not there.
Toad: Frog, why do you keep looking out of the window?
Frog: Because, now I am waiting for the mail.
Toad: There will not be any.
Frog: Oh yes there will! Because I have sent you a letter!
Toad: You have? What did you write in the letter?
Frog: I wrote, ‘Dear Toad, I am glad that you are my best friend. Your Best Friend, Frog.’
Toad: Oh, that makes a very good letter.

Narrator 1: Then Frog and Toad went out onto the front porch to wait for the mail.

Narrator 3: They sat there, feeling happy together.

Narrator 2: Frog and Toad waited a long time.

All Narrators: **FOUR DAYS LATER** the snail got to Toad’s house and gave him the letter from Frog.

Narrator 4: Toad was very pleased to have it.