SUPERICES SUPERICES TEPTILE ROBOT

A World Premiere by Rachel Bublitz







A cutting from

Presenting: Super Cat & Reptile Robot

A one-act play

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Characters:

Cass, any gender, any race. So very incredibly close to finally reaching that amazing double digit milestone. Becomes Super Cat while playing with BFF Ray.

Ray, any gender, any race. Ten - yes TEN - years old. Becomes Reptile Robot while playing with BFF Cass.

*The pronouns in the play should be changed to accommodate the pronouns of the performers

Time/Setting:

In Cass's bedroom during what has been planned to be the best sleep over that has ever been had in the entire history of sleep overs.

CASS

Reptile Robot! Are you okay?

RAY

Negatory! Losing energy! Super Cat! You must stop Captain Squid and Octo-Baby from getting their clutches on the Aquarium's Colossal squid!

CASS

We are at the VOLCANO!

RAY

Affirmative! You must stop them from dropping in the thousands of squids!

CASS

I can't do it alone, find me inside once you re-energize!

RAY

That is an excellent suggestion, I will re-energize and then find you!

CASS battles the foe.

CASS

You won't get away with this Captain Squid! Not today! MEOW!

CASS fights Captain Squid, with lots cat scratches, hissing, and meows.

RAY reenergizes.

RAY

Re-energizing re-energizing re-energizing re-energizing re-energizing (Sees something)

Super Cat! Octo-Baby is coming right for me!

CASS doesn't hear RAY, but continues to fight.

CASS

Take that! And this! Scratch scratch KITTY FIRE POWER!

RAY is tackled by Octo-Baby, they wrestle.

RAY

I cannot hold Octo-Baby off- I require assistance!

CASS

And POUNCE POUNCE KICK! MEEEEOOOOOW!

RAY stops struggling.

RAY

I am now under the control of Octo-Baby.

RAY stands.

RAY (CONT'D)

Affirmative I will stop Super Cat.

RAY moves closer to CASS.

CASS

Great timing, Reptile Robot! We can finish off this fiend together!

RAY

Negatory Super Cat! You are the one who will be finished.

CASS

NO! Is Octo-Baby controlling your mind again?

RAY

Affirmative!

CASS

Fight it Reptile Robot! Be the master over your own mind!

RAY

The mind control is too strong. I must use the terrible tentacles of tickle to destroy you!

RAY moves toward CASS with crazy fingers.

CASS

(Not in play voice, moving to avoid RAY)

Whoa now, maybe Octo-Baby is- Uhhhh- Making you use the tentacle squeeze or the black ink acid spray or something else?

RAY

Negatory. Octo-Baby demands I tickle!

RAY keeps moving toward CASS. CASS continues to back away.

CASS bumps into something and the Mega Remote 2000 falls out of their pocket, when it hits the ground, CASS freezes.

RAY (CONT'D)

(In regular voice)

Whoa, what- What just happened?

RAY pokes CASS. CASS doesn't move.

RAY (CONT'D)

Cass! You're frozen!

RAY picks up the remote.

RAY (CONT'D)

Wow! This is AMAZING!

RAY presses more buttons on the remote making the audience come back on accident.

RAY (CONT'D)

(Seeing all the people)

Oh! You're back! That's- I'm- I was just- We were- Playing and the Mega Remote 2000 fell and now Cass is frozen and I'm just trying to find the unfreeze button... You want to help me? There are SO MANY BUTTONS ON HERE! Let's see..

(Checks out remote)

This one says "audience claps," I think that'll make you clap, let's try it!

RAY points to the audience and uses the "audience claps" button.

RAY (CONT'D)

That is so cool! Okay, I'm pressing the stop clapping button now.

If they don't clap, RAY should improve lines to move on.

RAY inspects the remote.

RAY (CONT'D)

This remote is AMAZING! What else can it do, I wonder?

Select either the translation or singing button:

For the translation button:

RAY (CONT'D)

There's a translation button*, I wonder what that does?

RAY presses "translation" button.

RAY (CONT'D)

(The following should be translated into a language other than English, something that the actor playing RAY is comfortable speaking.)

Hello, my name is Ray, thank you for joining us today! Wow! I think I'm speaking (language they're speaking)! I didn't even know I could do that! This is the coolest remote ever!

RAY presses "translation" button again.

RAY (CONT'D)

(Back to English)

WHOA! What else can it do? Let's find out!

For the singing button:

RAY (CONT'D)

There's an opera button*, I wonder what that does?

RAY presses "opera" button.

RAY (CONT'D)

Hello, my name is Ray! Thank you for joining us today! Wow! I'm singing! I didn't even know I sing so well! This is the coolest remote ever!

Presses the "opera" button again.

RAY (CONT'D)

(*No longer singing*)

WHOA! What else can it do? Let's find out!... This button says skip, let's try it out!

RAY presses the button, starts to skip.

RAY (CONT'D)

WHOA! You try it with me! Go on, stand up and I'll press the button again!

Hopefully they stand up, RAY presses the button, hopefully they skip!

RAY (CONT'D)

And here's the button to stop!

Presses the button to stop.

RAY (CONT'D)

Don't sit down yet, here's another one we can do together! It's the balance button. I'll press it on myself first so you can see what to do!

Presses button, balances on one foot, maybe in yoga tree pose.

RAY (CONT'D)

You ready out there? Your turn!

RAY presses the button toward the audience. Everyone balances on one foot.

RAY (CONT'D)

We are SO GOOD AT THIS!... Okay, that's enough I think. Here's the button to stop and put both of our feet back on the ground.

RAY presses the button to stop balancing

RAY will press two or three more audience interaction buttons. These can be made up on the spot, or you can use these suggestions:

Cow button turns the audience into cows, everyone moo's.

Robot dance time button. Hopefully with fantastic robot music, provided by actor.

Slow motion high fives. Invite the audience to give a slow motion high five to their neighbor. RAY can demonstrate.

RAY should do these with the audience, and can improv lines encouraging participation. If no one joins in do less, if it's a ton of fun, do three at least. Once RAY is finished:

RAY (CONT'D)

This is SO fun! Oh and look, it's the "time to sit and listen again" button, perfect timing to find that one!

RAY pushes the "time to sit and listen again" button, and I hope hope hope that the audience returns to their seats. Fingers crossed everyone.

RAY (CONT'D)

Wow wow wow! Cass REALLY did a great job with this Mega Remote 2000! I'm gonna ask for one of these for my next birthday for sure! HA! Oh yeah, we still need to unfreeze him, duh! Oh and here's the unfreeze button!

Moves to unfreeze CASS, then doesn't...

RAY (CONT'D)

Hey, out there people, before I unfreeze Cass, I have a question. Sometimes it seems like it's not so fun for Cass to play our game and I don't know why.. Do you think Octo-Baby having mind control powers is too scary? That's a pretty scary because someone else is telling you what to do and you have to DO the things even if you REALLY didn't want to..

(Shudders)

AND, he usually gets that less-than-fun-look when Octo-Baby uses mind control powers!.. I was reading a book with my dad and it was an awesome book with goblins and warriors but I got a little scared and my dad stopped and asked if I wanted to keep hearing the story. I told him it was a little creepy, so we put it away, and I asked him how he knew I was scared and he said he noticed that I squeeze up my fists and try to hide my face with a blanket when I'm scared.. I think that's it's super smart to check and see if people are okay. Especially when they seem like they might be scared or upset or something. I think I'll see if Cass is okay and then ask about the mind control.

RAY uses the remote to unfreeze CASS.

RAY (CONT'D)

This remote is AMAZING! How did you make it?

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Hey, that's mine!

CASS grabs the remote back from RAY.

RAY

Sorry, it fell out of your pocket when I was under the control of Octo-Baby.

CASS

Well in the future, don't touch my stuff without asking.

RAY

Okay, but I couldn't unfreeze you unless I touched it, so..

CASS

Well okay, FINE, you can unfreeze me, but that's it! Hey! Hey the people, we can see the people again!

RAY

I know, we talked and stuff, I'm not scared now.

CASS

How long did you leave me frozen?

RAY

Oh, uh, not long-

(Signals to the audience to be quiet)

Not long AT ALL. Hahaha. So, ready to get back to the game?

CASS

Oh, yeah...

RAY

I was under the spell of Octo-Baby and was about to-

CASS

Yeah, yeah, I remember.

RAY

Cass?

CASS

What?

Are you afraid of mind control?	RAY
	CASS
WHAT?	CASS
Mind control, does it scare you?	RAY
	CASS
No!	
Are you sure?	RAY
	CASS
YES!	
Hmmmm	RAY
	CASS
Why are you even asking?	
Because sometimes we're playing an you're not having fun and I was trying	RAY and it's fun and then sometimes we're playing and ng to figure out why that was.
	CASS
I always have fun. It's my favorite g	ame.
Mine too!	RAY
	CASS
That's right. That's because we're be	
Is it the slow walking when I'm und	RAY er mind control?
	CASS
No.	
The weird voice I make? I make sca	RAY ry voices sometimes, sometimes I eve spook myself-

CASS

NO! It's nothing! It's fine, let's just play-

RAY

I only want to play if we're both having fun.

CASS

I know, me too.

RAY

Is it... Are you experiencing tummy trouble?

CASS

Ugh, no!

RAY

Are you sad? Or-

CASS

Stop being boring, I said it was nothing!

RAY

It has to be something.

(*Turning to the audience*)

Hey can you folks think of anything that might have upset Cass?

Hopefully they answer TICKLING, or something there about. If they do:

RAY (CONT'D)

*The terrible tentacles of tickle? That makes sense! I don't know why I didn't think of that before! Cass, you don't like being tickled!

If they don't yell TICKLING:

RAY (CONT'D)

*Those are some good ideas! Oh! But you know what else was just happening? The terrible tentacles of tickle! I think that's it! Cass you don't like being tickled!

*Only one of these lines should be said, depending on how the audience responds, then we continue:

CASS

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RAY

Because if I look back to all the times I've tickled you, you always have an upset face! You don't like it, do you?

CASS

You like to tickle me, you like tickling and being tickled-

RAY

I know, I love it, but- OH! I UNDERSTAND! That's why you never tickle me back!

CASS

It's- I- We- I like all the same stuff you do, I do!

RAY

I know you like most of the stuff I do-

CASS

NO! I have to like all of it otherwise we wouldn't be best friends-

RAY

That's not true! I don't like LOTS of stuff you like but you're still my best friend!

CASS

I don't believe you! Name one thing you don't like that I like.

RAY

Destructo Dragon.

CASS

You LOVE Destructo Dragon! It's our favorite movie!

RAY

It's your favorite movie. It gives me the creeps. The cave is so big and so dark and whenever the dragon moves it makes a really scary noise.

CASS

But we always watch it.

RAY

Because it's always a part of your plan.

CASS

Oh... Whoa.