

Kasako-jizo (かさこ地蔵(改)) (for 4 students)

配役： 吾作^{ごさく}(おじいさん)、お常^{つね}(おばあさん)、きつね、お地蔵様

* 客席から見て左が下手^{しもて}、右が上手^{かみて}です。

SCENE 1 : Gosaku and Otsune

(吾作とお常、下手から登場。)

Otsune : (吾作に向かって) Oh, dear! Today is New Year's Eve, but we don't have money to buy rice cakes.

If you can sell these hats, we can buy rice to make rice cakes. I want to make rice cakes!

Gosaku : Oh, yes. It's very cold. (空を見上げて) Oh, it's snowing! In this weather the hats can be sold quickly. I'm sure I'll come back with plenty of rice!

Otsune : I see, dear. Don't forget to take your lunch with you! (吾作に弁当袋*1を渡す)

Gosaku : Good-bye, dear!

Otsune : Good-bye, darling! Take care!

(吾作はすげ笠*2をかぶりかつぎ袋*3を背負って、上手に向かって歩いて退場。

お常は下手に向かって歩いて退場。)

SCENE 2 : A Fox, Ojizo-sama and the Gosaku

(きつねが下手より歩いて登場。お地蔵様が舞台中央に立っている。)

Fox : Oh, it's very cold! I'm a fox. I'm very hungry, because I haven't eaten anything for three days.
I can't find anything to eat. Oh, I'm very hungry...

(きつねがお地蔵様に近づく。)

Fox : Hello, Ojizo-sama. Do you know where I can get some food?

Ojizo-sama : Well, I don't know.

(吾作が上手より歩いて登場。)

Ojizo-sama : Here comes Gosaku! Let's ask him.

(きつねはお地蔵様の後ろにかくれる。吾作はお地蔵様に近づく。)

Ojizo-sama : Hey, Gosaku!

Gosaku : (驚いて) Oh, Ojizo-sama, what do you want?

Ojizo-sama : Here is a fox who hasn't eaten anything for three days, but I can't do anything for him. I want to ask you where he can get some food. Could you tell me where?

Gosaku : A fox? (驚いて周りを見回す。そしてお地蔵様の後ろのきつねに気がつく。)

Let me see. I'm afraid I can't. (考え込む。)

Ojizo-sama : What shall we do?

Gosaku : Oh, here is my lunch! If he wants it, I'll give it to him. (お弁当袋をお地蔵様の足元に置く。)

Ojizo-sama : How kind you are!

Gosaku : (お地蔵様に頭を下げる。) Now I have to say good-bye and go to town.

Ojizo-sama : Good-bye and good luck. Take care!

Gosaku : Thank you. Goodbye!

(吾作は下手へ歩いて退場。きつねがお地蔵様の後ろから現れ、座ってお弁当を広げる。)

お弁当のおにぎり*4にかぶりつく。

きつね、お地蔵さま、下手へ退場。)

SCENE 3 : Gosaku

(吾作、下手より歩いて登場。すげ笠を売り歩いている。)

Gosaku : Hats! Hats! Buy a hat, please. Sir, will you buy a hat, please?

(A voice says : No, thanks!)

Gosaku : Would you like a hat, please?

(A voice says : I already have one.)

(吾作は立ち止まって深いため息をつく。)

Gosaku : What shall I do? I can't get any money, but I have to go home now.

(A voice says : Shall I lend you some money?)

Gosaku : No, I don't like to borrow any money!

(吾作は歩いて上手に退場。)

SCENE 4 : Gosaku, Ojizo-sama and the Fox

(吾作は上手より歩いて登場。お地蔵様は舞台中央に立っている。)

Gosaku : Oh, my! The Ojizo-sama has much snow on his head!

(吾作はお地蔵様に近づき、頭の雪をはらい、笠を頭に乗せる。)

Ojizo-sama : Thank you. It's very kind of you.

(きつねが下手より登場。)

Fox : Oh! It's very cold! If I stand still, I'll be a snowman. Oh, I have an idea.

Fox : Ei! (きつねは軽く回りながらジャンプして、お地蔵様に姿を変える[お地蔵様と同じポーズをとる]。そしてお地蔵様の隣に立つ。)

(吾作はきつねの「お地蔵様」を見つける。)

Gosaku : Oh, there's another Ojizo-sama. OK, please use this hat.

(吾作はきつねの「お地蔵様」の頭に笠を乗せる。)

Gosaku : Well, Ojizo-sama, have a wonderful New Year's Day!

(吾作は下手に歩いて退場。きつねとお地蔵様は歩いて上手に退場。)

SCENE 5 : Gosaku, Otsune, the Fox and Ojizo-sama

(吾作とお常が下手より歩いて登場。床に座ってお茶[お湯のみ 2筒用意*5]を飲んでいる。)

Otsune : You were very kind to others today.

Gosaku : Yes, but I couldn't buy any rice. I'm sorry.

(A voice says : Ojiisan, ojiisan, where's your house?)

Gosaku : (立ち上がる) What's that?

(A voice says : We've just found your house! Please accept these and enjoy them with your wife.)

(お地蔵様ときつねが上手より登場。それぞれ食べ物が入った 大きな袋*6 を持っている。

2人は袋を吾作とお常の前に置いて、上手に歩き去る。)

Gosaku : What's this? (袋を開ける。)

Otsune : Be careful!

Gosaku : Oh, look at these! Rice! Money ! And Firewood!

(きつね、上手より歩いて登場。)

Fox : Dear Gosaku, thank you very much. Your kindness kept me alive. So I've brought you food and firewood to keep you warm. We need kindness to live in this world. I'll never forget what you taught me.

(最後に全員舞台中央に集まって、あいさつして退場)

小道具 : 弁当袋*1
すげ笠*2 3つ
かつぎ袋*3 (すげ笠をかつぐためのもの)
おにぎり*4 2つ
湯飲み*5 2筒
大きな袋*6 2つ

大道具 : なし

※A voice says というところは、舞台にいない人が舞台そでから舞台に向かって話してください。

※それぞれの **SCENE** の終わりの合図として、舞台が空になるとベルを鳴らします。