

You're Doing THAT in the Talent Show?! Activities/Questions

- 1. Penelope and Tiny are best friends even though they disagree on some things. Is that okay? Should best friends agree and like the same things? Why or why not? Share examples of how you and your friends are the same and different.
- 2. Read the tips in the back of this book for "Tips for a Spectacular Performance" Then put on your own talent show—it could be with family or friends or classmates or even with your stuffed animals. Have fun and be sure someone takes pictures!
- 3. Add a new scene to this book—both the words and the illustrations. What other over-the-top acts might Penelope think of? How will Tiny protests this new idea. Make sure you have Penelope and Tiny say their "oh, yes" and "oh, no" words in your new scene.
- 4. Perform this book as reader's theater. You'll need to create a script, divide up parts, practice, and then perform it.
- 5. Learn a new skill such as juggling or hula hooping or a simple magic trick. How hard or easy was it to learn that new trick? What helped you to learn it—watching someone else do it, having it broken down into steps, having someone teach it to you, watching videos, reading a "how to" lesson/book? Do you think there are ways that you learn best for most things?
- 6. Are you more like Tiny or Penelope? Why?