

Bob the Blob

A Radio Drama

Characters:

- **Tour Guide:** Works at the Science Museum. Enthusiastic and polite.
- **Sam:** A student, clever, cares about Bob but is not as naughty as Bob.
- **Bob:** A student who breaks the rules and is always sleepy or hungry
- **Class:** A group of students visiting the science museum
- **Student:** One of the students on the trip

Sound Effects:

- *Footsteps and students chattering*
- *Glass breaking*
- *A security alarm sounding*
- *Squelching, wet, mushy sounds of the blob*
- *Bob the Blob roaring*
- *Creaking door*

Scene 1

Tour Guide: (*clears throat*) Good afternoon students, welcome to the Crazy Science Lab here in London, England. Thank you for coming all the way from Hong Kong. I know you are tired from your long flight but I know you will enjoy today! I am your Tour Guide for today and -

Sam: (*whispering*) I am so excited. I couldn't sleep on the plane at all. Did you know that they have here secret specimens from the moon and outer space? They keep them in a secret room to discover if aliens really exist. Also -

Bob: (*yawning*) - I am so tired. This is the longest I have ever travelled for a science lesson! When can we leave?

Sam: Oh Bob, we have a whole day here. First we are going to see the space rocks and dust, then the chemist's lab where we are going to make compounds and write formulas. At lunch time we are going to eat fruit grown in the Garden Labs and then after lunch –

Bob: (*Interrupting*) What? No breakfast? I am starving. I only ate a bread roll on the plane. Is there anywhere I can get some food and then have a nap?

Sam: Are you kidding me? How can you even think about food –

Tour Guide: (*speaking loudly*) Just remember no eating and we must stay together. We are a big group and it is important we are careful. Science is dangerous sometimes! Now are we ready. First let's head down to the Lunar Lab and see some space rocks. Follow me!

Class: Yay!

Footsteps and chattering among students

Sam: Hey, Bob! Where are you going?

Bob: You said they grow fruit here right?

Sam: Yeah.

Bob: Well maybe they also grow cheeseburgers, or sandwiches or even just a square of chocolate. Let's head down to the Garden Labs and grab some food.

Sam: We have to stay together. We can't go off on our own. It might be dangerous.

Bob: Dangerous? Please. Come on. Look! There is the sign for the Garden Labs follow me!

Sam: This is a bad idea, Bob.

Scene 2

(The sound of a creaking door)

Bob: Why is it so dark in here?

Sam: It looks closed. It says restricted access too! Come on, Bob. This isn't a good idea. We could get in big trouble.

Bob: Here is the light switch *(sound of lights turning on)* wow! Look at this. It's making chocolate milkshakes *(sound of bubbles)*, it looks delicious! I really want to try one.

Sam: Bob, we should leave.

Bob: Wow, and look here behind this glass door: a delicious cheese sandwich. What does the sign say?

Sam: Really Bob, I think –

Bob: Come on, read it!

Sam: *(reading)* Developed by the Garden Lab, Cheesey Cheese sandwiches are made entirely from sustainably sourced chemicals found in the rings of Saturn. At the experimental phase, the compound is able to produce thousands of kilograms of cheese from just a spoonful of formula.

Bob: Did you hear that? A thousand kilograms of cheese!

Sam: *(reading)* This prototype cheese sandwich is the first of its kind and is yet to be tested on humans.

Bob: Oh wow. I can be a scientist and have breakfast at the same time. Let me try it.

Sam: No! Come on.

Bob: It's just a cheese sandwich.

Sound of glass breaking and Bob starting to eat the sandwich. Suddenly an alarm sounds.

Sam: What have you done?

Bob: *(with his mouth full)* Oh, it is so delicious! I can't stop eating it.

Sam: We need to get out here. We are going to be in big trouble.

Bob: Oh, just one more bite!

Sound of alarm gets louder.

Scene 3

Sound of alarm gets quieter

Tour Guide: What's that noise? Oh no. The Garden Lab alarm! Class. Wait here. I need to go and investigate. That room should have been locked.

Footsteps

Tour Guide: What are you two doing all the way back here?

Sam: Sorry, Sir. We got a bit lost. I needed the toilet.

Tour Guide: I knew I should have done another head count! This area is restricted.

Bob: *(With his mouth full)* Sorry, Sir. I won't do it again.

Tour Guide: What are you eating? I told everybody: no food until lunch time.

Bob: *(his mouth even more full)* I tho thorry I hmmm mmm

Tour Guide: What is that you are eating?

Sam: Erm, a bread roll from the plane!

Tour Guide: It's a very big bread roll. It's turning green.

Bob: *(His voice very muffled)* Urgh, urgh. Help! Help!

Sam: Bob? Are you ok!

Squelching sounds as Bob tries to speak.

Tour Guide: Bob?

Sam: He is getting bigger!

Tour Guide: And greener!

Sam: And stickier!

Tour Guide: And scarier!

Sound of squelching and chewing gets louder and louder

Tour Guide & Sam: Run!!!!

Scene 4

Tour Guide: (*worried, out of breath*) Ok class. Stay together. There is nothing to worry about!

The students chatter in concern

Tour Guide: There has been a slight accident and we need to stay in this room here until help arrives. I am just going to shut this door.

Sound of door shutting.

Tour Guide: (*whispering*) I need you to be very quiet! Sam, where did you go? Be honest!

Sam: I am so sorry Sir, Bob, I mean we went into the Garden Lab and he ate the Cheese Sandwich on display. I told him not to but –

Tour Guide: The Cheese Sandwich! But that hasn't been tested on humans yet it, it, it...

Sound of Bob the Blob roaring and squelching. The a student in the class screams.

Student: Sir! There is a monster trying to get through the door!

Tour Guide: Don't panic, children. Stay calm! Stay calm!

Sam: How do we stop him?

Tour Guide: I don't know! I don't know! I am just a Tour Guide!

Sam: Ok you need to calm down!

Tour Guide: Yes, sorry you are –

Student: He is getting bigger! He looks mean!

Sam: Is there an antidote? Is there something to stop him getting bigger and changing him back into Bob?

Tour Guide: I don't know! I just do the presentation on moon rocks and dust.

Sam: Let me think. Hmmmm, the cheese formula comes from Saturn and Saturn is next to Jupiter. Maybe there is something there.

Tour Guide: You want to go to Jupiter? I don't think we have time for that!

Sam: No. I have an idea. Wait here and stay calm!

Tour Guide: (*shouting*) But what are you going to do?

Footsteps running away

Scene 5

Sam: (*running and getting out of breath*) So Saturn's rings are held in place by gravity and Saturn is just over 450 million miles from Jupiter. So that means that if I can find something to counteract the power of the cheese from the neighbouring planet then. Ah, here we are, the Garden Lab. Let's see what else is in here. Marzipan from Mercury, Vegetables from Venus, Mapo Tofu from Mars. Ah, here we are. Jam from Jupiter! This should do it.

Footsteps running back. Sam breathing heavily. The sound of Bob the Blob gets louder.

Sam: (*shouting*) Bob! Bob! Wow you are so big! Bob, can you hear me? Put down that painting. Yes. Also step away from the door.

Bob the Blob roars

Sam: I got you something to help you wash down your delicious cheese sandwich!

Bob goes quiet.

Sam: Jupiter jam! Come on, give it a try!

Squelching sound as Bob the Blob takes and eats the jam.

Sam: That's it. Good Blob monster. Is it good?

Bob: (*Burps*) Blurgh, eeehh it's gootthhh.

Sam: That's it! It's working, you are getting smaller.

Bob: (*gradually more clearly*) Blurth yes, oh that's delicious, oh I need a nap.

Sam: Bob!

Bob: Huh? What happened? Where am I?

Sam: London, England. The science trip – I'll explain later.

Tour Guide: Sam, you did it! Well done!

Bob: Did what?

Tour Guide: You are in big trouble. *(Calling)* Class, it's ok! Come out now!

Sound of class chatting happily.

Sam: Wow, that was a crazy start to the trip.

Tour Guide: Thank you so much. Phew! I feel tired and hungry.

Bob: Me too! Can I go and have lunch now! I really feel like eating a cheese sandwich!

Tour Guide and Sam: No! Bob! No!

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