



The 104-Storey Tree House

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Synopsis:

Join Andy and Terry in their wonderfully wild and wacky 104-storey treehouse. You can throw some refrigerators, make some money with the money-making machine (or honey if you'd prefer-it makes that too), climb the never-ending staircase, have a bunfight, deposit some burps in the burp bank, get totally tangled up in the tangled-up level, or just take some time out and relax in the peaceful sunny meadow full of buttercups, butterflies and bluebirds. Well, what are you waiting for? Come on up!

Author Bio

Andy Griffiths is one of the most popular children's authors in Australia. He has written more than 25 books, including nonsense verse, short stories, comic novels and plays. His books have been New York Times bestsellers, won more than 50 children's choice awards, been adapted as a television cartoon series and sold more than five million copies worldwide. He is best known as the author of the JUST! series, The Day My Bum Went Psycho and the bestselling Treehouse series.



Illustrator Bio

Terry Denton is a writer and illustrator based in Melbourne, Australia. His work is mainly humour-based cartoon style.

Terry Denton has illustrated bestsellers such as the JUST! series and the Treehouse series by Andy Griffiths. He has three children and is the owner of a back garden burial ground for dead pets.

Activity

In the new instalment of the Treehouse books we see another 13 storeys added.

Including:

- A \$2 shop
- A \$2,000,000 shop
- Money making machine (that also makes honey)
- Fridge throwing level
- Stupid hat level
- Burp Bank
- Tangled Up Level
- A beautiful sunny meadow full of buttercups, butterflies and bluebirds.

Imagine your own Treehouse level, the crazier the better

Illustrate it, with plenty of description and labels.

Once designed and illustrated , write a brief justification as to why it should be included in Terry and Andy's Treehouse, present to the class.

Jokes

Andy and Terry are in desperate need of the Joke Writer 2000, it's the one thing they are sure that they need to finish their new book.

In the book, the pen does all of the work, it thinks of the jokes AND it writes the jokes.

On page 306:

Q: Why did the koala fall out of the tree

A: Because it was dead

There are also jokes written on the bottom of every double page

Q: What is good for a bald head?

A: Some hair

Q: What question can you never answer yes to?

A: Are you asleep?

Q: Why do birds fly south?

A: Because it's too far to walk

Now ask the class to write of their own question and answer type jokes, they don't have the luxury of a Joke Writer 2000, so it may take a bit of trial and error.

Have a stand up comedy lesson in class where each student gets the chance to stand up in front of the class and tell their jokes.