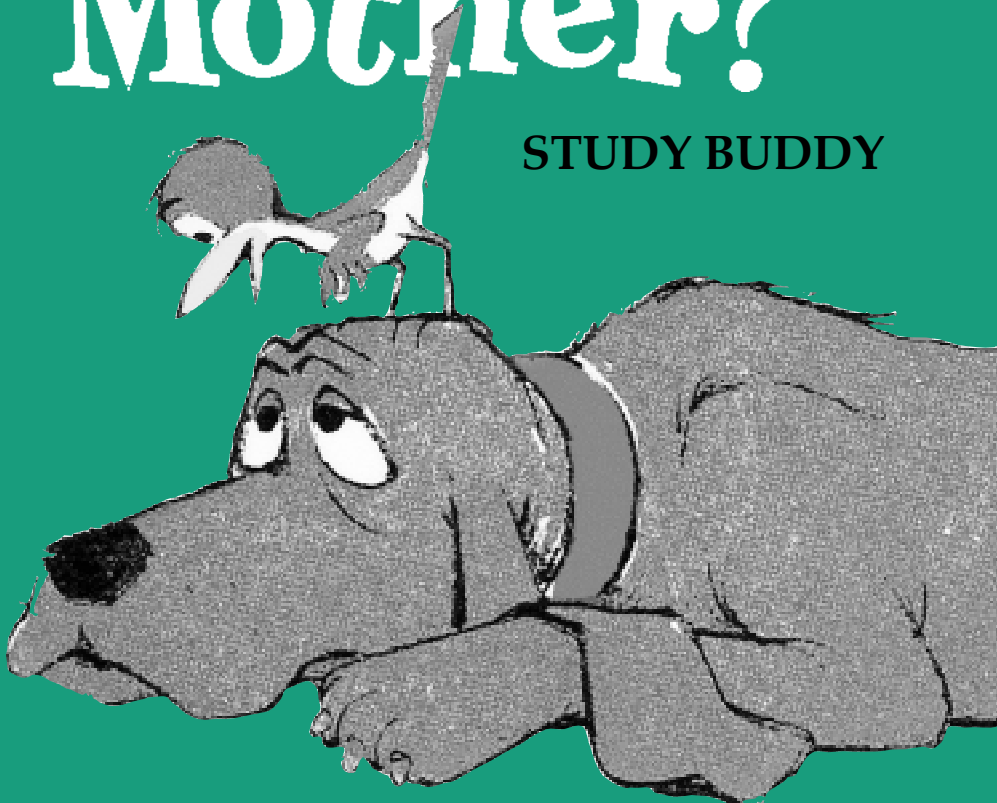




# Are You My Mother?

STUDY BUDDY



**A one-act musical based on the book by P.D. Eastman**

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# What Happens In Our Play?



*Are You My Mother?* is a musical comedy based on the popular children's book of the same name by P.D. Eastman.

While *Mother Bird* is away hunting for food, *Baby Bird* cracks out of her shell and finds herself alone in the nest. But she is not alone in the forest. A

*Construction Worker* is in the process of clearing trees—and Baby Bird's tree stands right next to the bulldozer!

A *Woman Protester* prevents the steam shovel from knocking down Baby Bird's tree, but the tree is shaken and Baby Bird falls out of her nest.

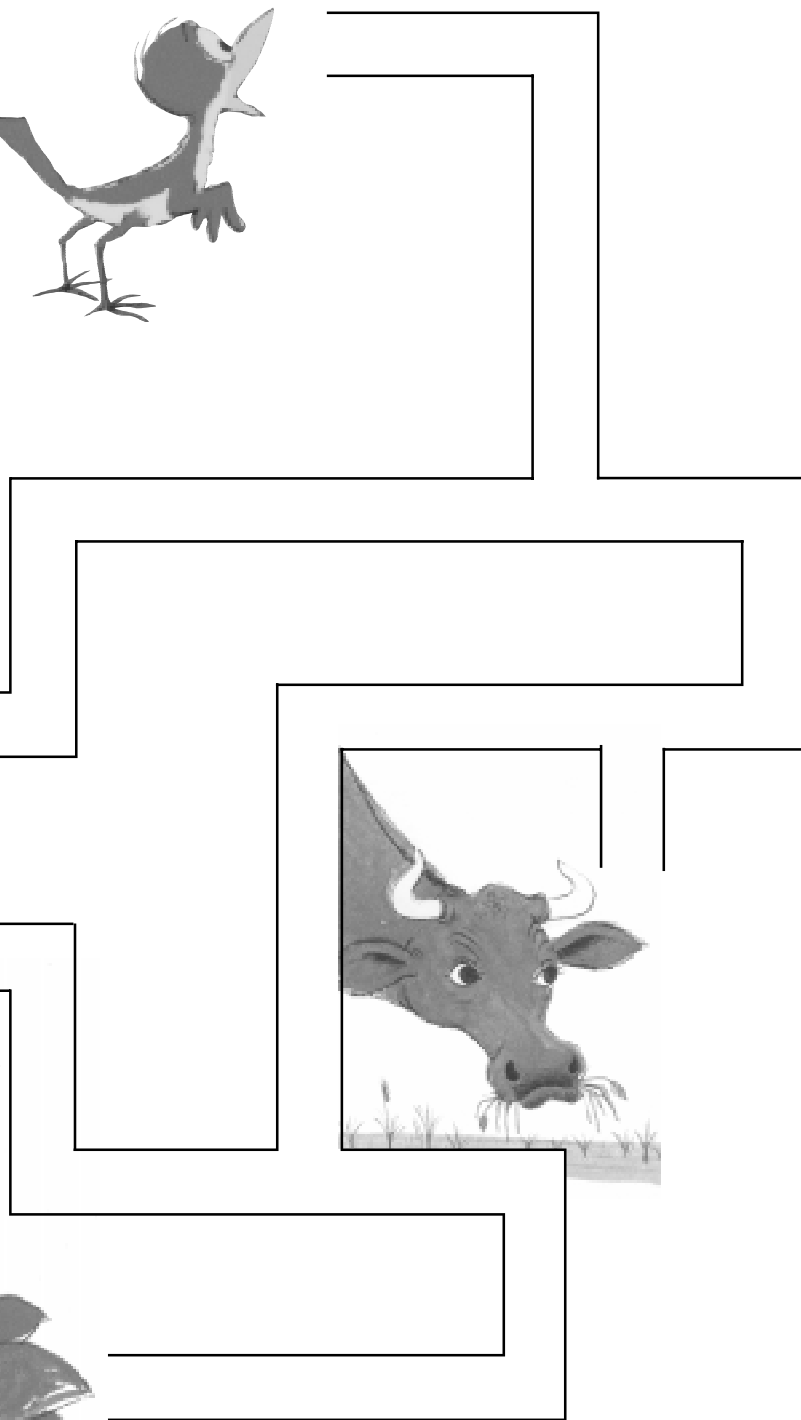
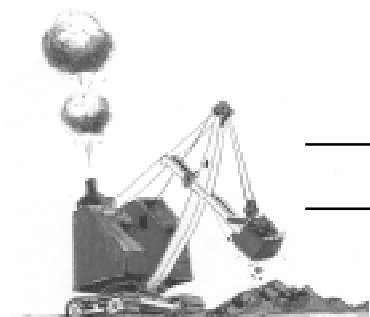
Alone, just out of the egg, Baby Bird is lost in all senses of the word. She only knows one thing: she must find her mother.

While stumbling through the neighborhood, she encounters *Hen*, *Kitten*, and *Dog*. All three realize that they, too, are lonely.

The animals find that they make more progress towards their goals when they join together. With determination—and the help of her friends—Baby Bird finally finds her mother.

# Can You Help Baby Bird Find Mother Bird?

Baby Bird has fallen out of the nest.  
Can you be Baby Bird's friend and help her find the way to Mother Bird?

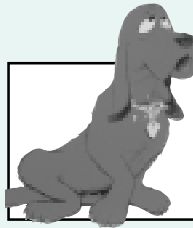
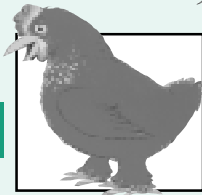


# The Big Story

Baby Bird's adventure showed up in the newspaper. Unfortunately, the pictures that should have been in the story did not get printed. Can you draw them?



## NEEDS MOTHER



Local

Help in Search

Early today, a small



fell from a nest in the large

oak



. Baby Bird looked for her



and asked for help from the animals she met.



All three animals helped. Everything ended happily, as we can see in this drawing.

# Is That Mine?

Can you draw lines between the pictures that go together?



Baby Bird



Kitten



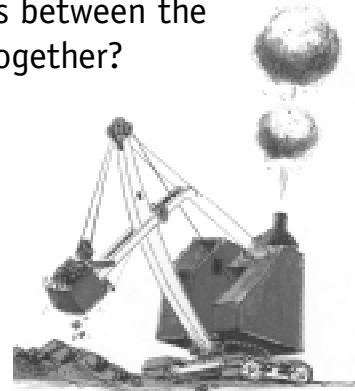
Construction Worker



Dog



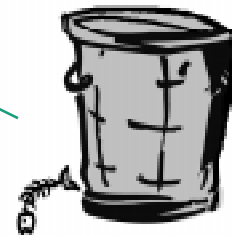
Hen



Steam Shovel



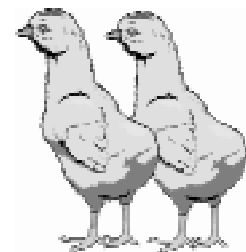
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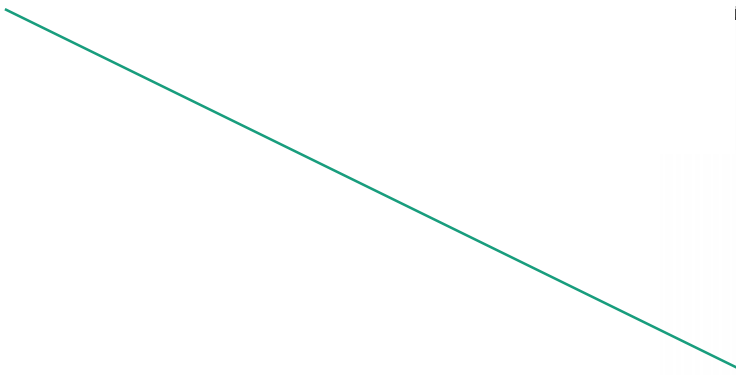
Garbage Can



Mother Bird



Chicks



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Your School \_\_\_\_\_

City, State \_\_\_\_\_

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Our class saw ARE YOU MY MOTHER? My favorite character was

\_\_\_\_\_

My favorite part was

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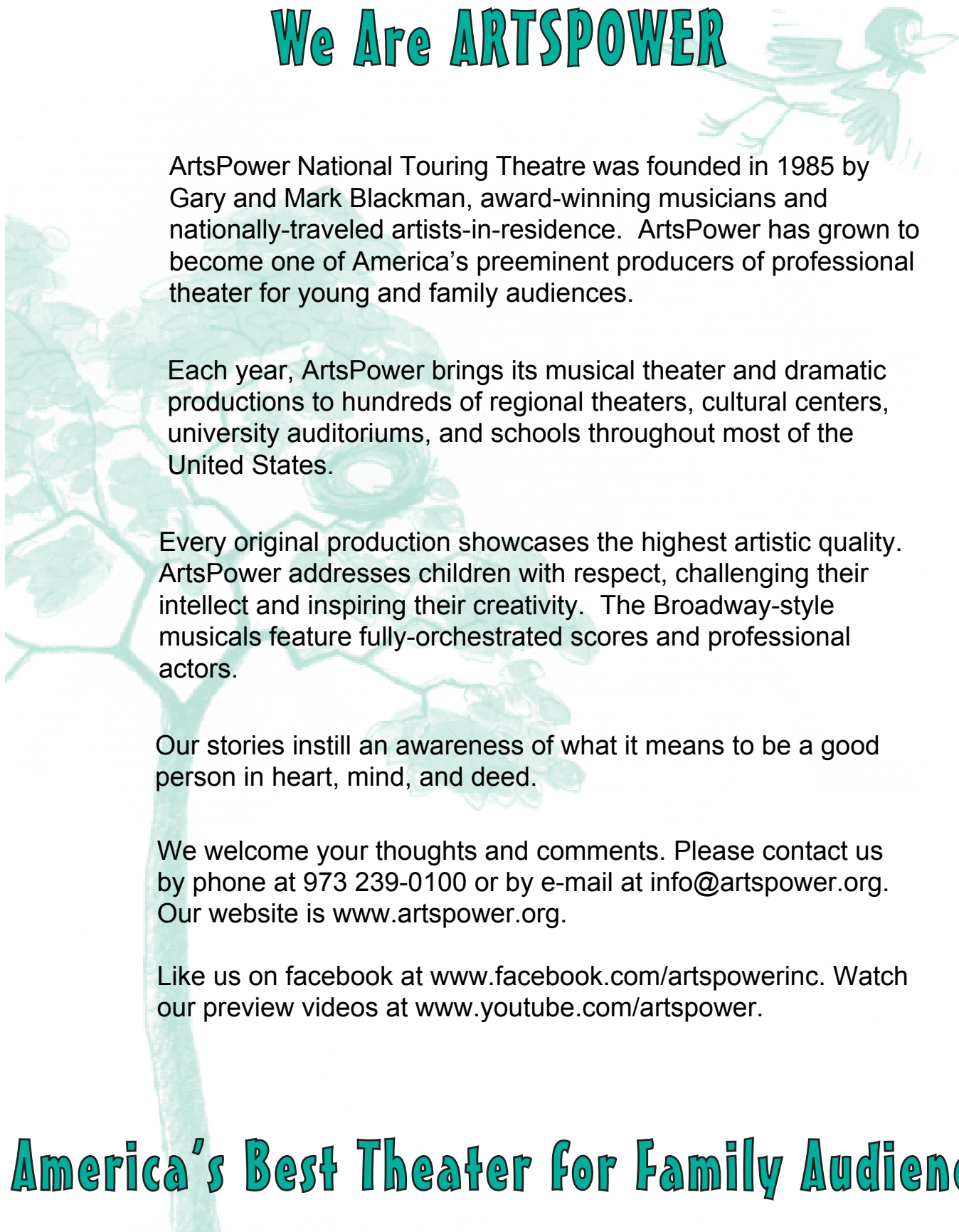
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Every original production showcases the highest artistic quality. ArtsPower addresses children with respect, challenging their intellect and inspiring their creativity. The Broadway-style musicals feature fully-orchestrated scores and professional actors.

Our stories instill an awareness of what it means to be a good person in heart, mind, and deed.

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