1. Andy and Terry’s Ultimate Decorating Kit

- Throw red, blue, green, purple, yellow, and orange streamers on the walls.
- Dots, dots, dots everywhere!
- Build your own treehouse on the wall (using color construction paper, glitter, and wacky designs). Storytime attendees can help decorate!

2. Scrumptious Snacks

- Marshmallows, just like from the Marshmallow Shooter
- High-security potato chips
- Submarine sandwiches
- 78 flavors of ice cream with assorted toppings
- Bubbly, burp-gas punch

3. Games Galore

Host a slapstick-funny comedy show!

- Get together in small groups of 3–5 and share your silliest joke. You can use the Treehouse Joke Master 2000 joke sheet on page 3 for this activity.

Act out your favorite scene from any of the Treehouse series books!

- In groups, choose a classic Andy and Terry scene from one of the books in the series and act it out.
- You can use the Readers’ Theater activity on page 5 if you’d like to act out our favorite scene from The 117-Story Treehouse.

4. Don’t forget to take a selfie at the photo-bombing booth!
HAVE YOUR FRIENDS IN STITCHES WITH THESE JOKES WRITTEN BY ANDY’S JOKEMASTER 2000 JOKE-Writing Pencil IN THE 104-STORY TREEHOUSE.

Q: How do bees get to school in the morning?  
A: They ride the school buzz.

Q: What do you call a bear with no teeth?  
A: A gummy bear.

Q: Why didn’t the cannibals eat the clown?  
A: Because he tasted funny.

Q: What do you get when you cross a dinosaur with fireworks?  
A: Dino-mite!

Q: Why didn’t the cannibals eat the clown?  
A: Because he tasted funny.

Q: Why did the golfer wear two pairs of pants?  
A: In case she got a hole in one.

Q: What’s yellow and smells like bananas?  
A: Monkey barf.

THAT’S NOT A DOT! IMPROV GAME

Get together in small groups of 3–5. Everyone gets their very own dot (dots included in this kit).

Each person will take a turn in the center of the group, improvising a scene with their dot, BUT . . . the dot is not a dot!

Start each improv scene with the chant: “It’s NOT a dot, it’s a . . . ”

• “It’s NOT a dot, it’s a . . . barrel!”
• “It’s NOT a dot, it’s an . . . escape hatch!”
• “It’s NOT a dot, it’s a . . . flying carpet!”
In *The 117-Story Treehouse*, Andy and Terry are charged with crimes against storytelling by the Story Police! They broke the rules of good and proper storytelling. Can you make a story as absurd as Andy and Terry can?

- Outlandish Plots
- Ridiculous Characters
- Silly Names
- Needless Repetition
- Poor Eating Habits
- Unlikely Escapes
- Time-Wasting Chases
- Potty Humor

How Many Storytelling Rules Can You Break?
READERS’ THEATER
USE THE BELOW GUIDE TO ACT OUT A SCENE FROM THE 117-STORY TREEHOUSE!

Instructions:
Divide into groups of 5.
Select a part to play!

Narrator                 Andy                  Terry
Jill                Mr. Big Nose

Use the script to practice lines individually and then as a group—memorizing isn’t necessary, just have fun!

Once everyone is comfortable with their lines, take turns performing the scene for the larger group!

Narrator: If you’re like most of our readers, you’re probably wondering how come it’s always Andy who tells the story and never Terry.
Andy: Can’t!
Terry: Can!
Andy: Can’t!
Terry: Can!
Andy: CAN’T!
Terry: CAN!

Narrator: I’m about to yell CAN’T even bigger when Jill comes along.
Jill: What are you two arguing about?
Andy: Terry says he can narrate and I say he CAN’T!
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Jill: There’s a better way to settle this than by shouting at each other.

Andy: Really? How?

Jill: Let Terry do some narration and see how it goes.

Andy: But he’s an illustrator. Illustrators can’t narrate—everybody knows that!

Jill: That’s not true. What about Dr. Moose? He wrote and illustrated “The Splat in the Hat.” And who could forget the wonderful Beatrix Potty? I love her animal stories—and she does the story and the illustrations as well!

Narrator: RING RING RING!

Andy: Oh, that’s our video phone. I’d better answer it.

Terry: I hope it’s not Mr. Big Nose.

Andy: Me too. [Andy answers the video phone.]

Narrator: It is Mr. Big Nose!

Mr. Big Nose: Why hasn’t the story started yet?

Andy: Because Terry wants to tell the story and I was just explaining that illustrators can’t tell stories because that’s the author’s job.

Mr. Big Nose: That’s nonsense! What about Boris Bendback? His Where the Filed Things Are is the most famous and best-loved children’s book about office management of all time . . . and he’s the author and the illustrator!

Andy: Yeah, that is good, but—

Mr. Big Nose: No buts about it. If Terry wants to tell the story then let him—maybe he’ll create a classic just like Boris Bendback. But make sure it’s on my desk by five o’clock this afternoon . . . or I’ll file you both under F for FIRED!

Andy: Don’t worry about a thing, we’ll get it done.

Mr. Big Nose: You’d better!

Narrator: The screen goes blank.
HELP ANDY, TERRY, AND JILL ESCAPE FROM THE STORY POLICE!