

Andy Shepherd

TAKE THE GUNGE

DRAFT SCRIPT

Cast: Smooth Compere - John Payton
Glam Hostess - Andy Shepherd
Scorer - Matthew Jones

Length: 10 mins.

Scenery: Back cloth

Props/Etc: 2 Paddling Pools with chairs in
2 Protective clothing
Name badges (12)
2 Baby baths
Polystyrene beads
Balloons (foam filled)
Football
Ping Pong Ball
Small flag
Score board
Questions cards
Klaxon
Hooter
Prizes (8)
2 Buckets of slime

Mastermind theme on tape

Audience prompts - Applaud/Take the Gunge/Cheer/Louder

Step ladder

Synopsis

A television game show send-up, involving two members of the audience, one youngster and one adult, who preferably know each other (e.g. Scouter and Scout), who after answering questions or completing physical tasks are 'gunged'.

Each contestant starts with five lives. If either fails to answer a question or complete a physical challenge, they lose a 'life'. The first to lose all five lives is quickly gunged.

The remaining contestant goes through to a final - three quick fire questions - and is gunged after attempting to answer the final question.

The presentation is deliberately corny - American, 1960's, quiz show style.

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Cast

Compere

Smooth TV quiz show style (JP Smooth ?) .

Interviews contestants, asks questions, etc. Ad-Libs !

Hostess

Non-speaking. Brings on contestants, prizes, etc. and operates claxon.

Scorer

* Non-speaking. Operates score-board, holds up audience instructions (e.g. Applause, Whistle, etc), and pours gunge over contestants. Reacts facially with audience ! (*Small speaking part.)

Music

Corny, organ, ^{Take}~~Pick~~-your-Pick' style,

Prior to show

- Select two contestants in foyer or from audience, discreetly.

10 mins prior to performance

- Fetch contestants from audience.
Protect clothing.
Explain game and proceedings.
Give name badges.

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PRERECORDED INTRODUCTION - Music, drum-roll, American accent.

"LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, WE PRESENT (pause)
FIRE CRACKERS VERY OWN GAME, ^{TAKES THE GUNGE} ~~THE GUNGE PLUNGE~~.
NOW, "PLEASE WELCOME YOUR HOST,
MISTER*JOOOOOHNNIE PAYTON."

*Johnny Carson style.

Music

Scorer

- Hold up Applaud Sign

John

- Walks on. Ad-lib Welcome & intro hostess.

Scorer

- 'Applaud sign'

Music

Andy

- Totters on. Gives twirl. Fetches adult contestant.

Scorer

- Applaud

Music

John

- Ad-lib with adult contestant. Name, where from, etc.
Invites young contestant.

Scorer

- Applaud

Music

Andy

- Fetches young contestant.

John

- Ad-lib with young contestant.
Now ready to play the 'Gunge Plunge'.

CURTAINS OPEN TO REVEAL SET.

CONTESTANTS SIT

Note: For every right answer, scorer will alter scoreboard and hold up applaud sign frantically.

Organ goes 'Da-Daaaaa' !

For wrong answer, hostess operates claxon.

John

- Asks Youngsters Questions One from card.
'Whats the name of the Prime Minister'.

Asks Adult Question One

'How many electrons are there in an atom of Plutonium'

Claxon

Youngster Question Two

'What was your name again'

Adult Question Two

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Hostess

- *CLAXON +*
Blows Hooter

Props

- Bring on Baby baths full of polystyrene

John

- Explains physical challenge to find a ball inside in the polystyrene.

Noise during activity

- Back to questions ...

Scorer

- Interrupts - "HIS QUESTIONS ARE EASIER THAN HIS ! "

John/ Scorer

- "Oh!No there not, Oh! Yes they are" routine.

John - O.K. Ask youngster harder question .
' What was the attendance at the 1991
F.A.Cup Final'. Answer written on back
of card in view of youngster.

Adult question

' Name Them !'

Hostess - CLAXON
~~Claxon~~ Hooter

Props - Bring on foam-filled balloons

John - Explain game. Finding flag inside balloon.
John slips winning balloon to youngster.

Sits them down. points out that Adult has lost
lives, whilst this is happening

*Music being
actively*

Hostess - Hooter

Scorer - Gunges (Quickly and unexpectedly).

John - Says goodbye to Adult contestant

Hostess - Brings on prize and takes contestant off.

John - Explains final to Youngster.
3 Questions must get them all right.

(Trouper/Spots on contestant - Mastermind style)

(Sound- Mastermind music)

John

- Asks three questions

'Where are you from'

'How old are you '

'What team do you support'

Hostess

- ~~Claxon~~ Hooter

Scorer

- Gunge

(Full lights on)

John brings contestant to front of stage, for curtain to close.

John

- Chats to youngster.

Invites Hostess on with prize.

Hostess On.

All

- Say goodbye and wave.

(Closing music)
(Lights to black).