

## PINOCCHIO



Now guys, there is a nice character in one of Italy's most famous books. It isn't human at first, it's a puppet. You know who I'm talking about?

It's PINOCCHIO!!!

Now we are going to perform in a few scenes from it.

### FIRST SCENE

NARRATOR – “Once upon a time there was ...”

– “... a King?”

NARRATOR – “No, there was a piece of wood adopted by a carpenter who will make a puppet of it, and will call him PINOCCHIO.

He is really naughty, but his father Geppetto wants him to have an education ... So he sells his jacket to buy an ABC BOOK for him. But Pinocchio will sell it to see a puppet show. He survives the terrible Fire-eater, the master of puppets, and meets the cat and the fox, two rascals who want to steal the 5 gold coins fire eater has given to him.”

(SONG by Edoardo Bennato: “Il gatto e la volpe” – The cat and the fox)

NARRATOR – “They are going to hang him, but the good Blue-hair fairy saves him. She takes him home and sends him to school. Pinocchio promises he'll be a good boy. But ...

He meets LUCIGNOLO, the worst boy of the school, who wants to lead him astray.”

## SECOND SCENE

LUCIGNOLO – “Do you want to come to Toyland with me?? There are no teachers, no books, nothing to study! On Friday no work, and there are 6 Fridays, and a Sunday in the week! Holidays start in January and finish in December. What a decent place to live!!! Only fun, all day long!”

PINOCCHIO – “But ... I promised I would be good ...”

LUCIGNOLO – “I am going with another one hundred boys. We’re leaving in a while to Toyland!!! Come on, come with us! You won’t repent it!”

PINOCCHIO – “But ... are you sure? No teachers, no books, no studying, no hard work?”

LUCIGNOLO – “Yes, yes, yes!!! Here’s the chariot to take us. So, are you coming or not?”

Poor Pinocchio follows Lucignolo, and after a few months ... He becomes a donkey!

My dear students, this is what happens when boys do not study.

To cut a long story short, at the end Pinocchio is very good and one day, when he wakes up, he is ... a boy, at last!!!

### THE CAST:

Narrator, guitar, song:	Andrea Atzori
Narrator, Blue-hair Fairy, song:	Alessandra Abis
Cat, song:	Daniela Frongia
Fox, song:	Giulia Soro
Lucignolo, song:	Matteo Nigro
Pinocchio, song:	Roberto Sonedda

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