THE MAGIC PENCIL

CHARACTERS: NARRATOR GOBLIN KEYLA TEACHER

SCRIPT:

Keyla is sitting at her desk, trying to write a short story for a school project. A goblin appears beside her.

GOBLIN: Keyla, Keyla!.

(Keyla looked on both sides, but she couldn't see anybody.)

GOBLIN: Keyla, Keyla!. Look down here, on the table!. (adjust this line as per your own blocking)

(Keyla nearly falls from her chair.)

KEYLA: Who are you?. Where did you come from?.

GOBLIN: Don't be afraid. My name is Sparky. I was walking by when I saw you so worried, that's why I want to help you. What's wrong?.

KEYLA: I have to write a short story, and I don't know what to write about.

GOBLIN: (thinking for a while, then he takes out a pencil and gives it to Keyla) Take this, I lend you my pencil. With my pencil you can write whatever you want.

GOBLIN: All you have to do is ask the pencil to help you.

(Then the goblin disappeared.)

KEYLA: (after the goblin) Wait - wait! (pause) Look pencil. I want the story to take place in the jungle, while I am in a boat in the river.

(Keyla placed the pencil over her notebook and she started to write until she finished the story.)

SCENE CHANGE: The next day. Same set up, Keyla is at her desk in her room, writing busily.

GOBLIN (appears): Hi, Keyla!. Have you written many stories?.

KEYLA: Yes! I read the first one to my teacher and the class and everybody liked it. My teacher asked me to write more, and I've written many! The other day, I wrote a story all about the dream I had the night before.

GOBLIN: Good!. I am glad that you are not having trouble writing short stories. I think that you can now give me my pencil back.

KEYLA: The magical pencil?. But I need it.

GOBLIN: I don't think so. The other day you wrote your dream, and the pencil didn't help you. In fact, you can write whatever you want to because the pencil always writes what you are thinking.

KEYLA: Really? I did that all by myself?

GOBLIN: That's right. All you have to do is trust what you are thinking and write the story that's on your heart.

NARRATOR: The goblin took the magic pencil and disappeared, and was never seen again.

KEYLA: (Looks around after the goblin for a moment, then pauses, picks up another pencil, and continues writing.)