Pop, Poppity, Pop!
A Readers' Theater About the Senses
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This readers' theater skit takes place in a park. There, a group of hungry friends have just wrapped up a game of kickball. Use your senses to imagine what happens when the peddler and her grandchild suddenly, um, pop in to grant a wish. Don't forget to read with expression and energy.

Characters
- Voice One
- Voice Two
- Voice Three
- Voice Four
- Voice Five
- Voice Six
- Peddler (girl)
- Grandchild (girl)

All Voices: Woo-hoo! Great game!

Voice One: Boy, I really worked up an appetite playing kickball. I'm super-duper hungry.

Voice Two: Me, too.
**Voice Three:** Me three.

**Voice Four:** I wish we had a yummy snack to share.

**Voice Five:** Yep, something light and fluffy. Like popcorn.

**Voice Six:** Yeah, something crunchy and munchy. Like popcorn.

**Voice One:** Right, something buttery and salty—

**All Voices:** Like popcorn.

**Voice Two:** Exactly! A snack exactly—

**All Voices:** Like popcorn.

**Voice Five:** Out here in the park?

**All Voices:** It’s impossible, hopeless, and ridiculous.

**Voice Five:** You got that right.

**Voice Six:** It would take magic.

**Voice One:** Hey, do you see what I see?

**Voice Two:** Where?

**Voice Three:** There. Way, waaaay down the street.
Voice Four: Is that a peddler wheeling her cart?

Voice Five: Yep. And a little girl’s skipping next to her.

Voice Six: I wonder what’s inside that rickety, old, red cart.

Voice One: Hey, the peddler’s waving to us.

Voice Two: She’s grinning ear to ear.

Voice Three: Like she has a sweet surprise.

Peddler: One and all, gather ‘round. Listen to this poppin’ sound.

Peddler: Shiny kernel pops up fluffy. Crispy, crunchy, plump and puffy.

Voice Five: I can see it.

All Voices: We can see it.

Grandchild: Pop, poppity pop!

Peddler: Buttery aroma drifts your way. Snag a whiff with me today.
Voice Six: I can smell it.

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All Voices: We can smell it.

Grandchild: Pop, poppity pop!

Peddler: It shakes and rattles and rolls my cart. This rockin’ and rollin’ warms my heart.

Voice One: I can feel it.

All Voices: We can feel it. Pop, poppity pop!

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Voice One: I can feel it.

All Voices: We can feel it. Pop, poppity pop!

Grandchild: Pop, poppity pop!

Peddler: Well?

Voice Four: Well? May we taste it?

Peddler: One and all, gather ‘round. Dive into this popcorn mound.

Grandchild: Pop, poppity pop!

Voice Five: I can taste it.

All Roles: We can taste it. Yum, yummity yum!
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Describe what popcorn LOOKS like.
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Describe what popcorn SOUNDS like.
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Describe what popcorn FEELS like.
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Describe what popcorn TASTES like.
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Vocabulary

Choose the correct definition for each underlined vocabulary word.

1. Is that a peddler wheeling her cart?
   a. someone who cooks  
b. someone who is very old
   c. a magical person  
d. someone who sells things

2. I wonder what’s inside that rickety, old, red cart.
   a. falling apart  
b. rolling
   c. delicious-smelling  
d. shiny

3. A buttery aroma drifts your way.
   a. feeling  
b. taste
   c. smell  
d. warmth

4. Dive into this popcorn mound.
   a. pile  
b. bag
   c. cart  
d. box

5. I really worked up an appetite playing kickball.
   a. sweat  
b. hunger
   c. tired feeling  
d. energy
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