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3rd Grade Theater Making

Three Musketeers Script



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The 15-Minute or so The Three Musketeers

By Alexandre Dumas'
Creatively modified by
Brendan F. Kelso
7-12+ Actors

CAST OF CHARACTERS:

D'ARTAGNAN: Young, arrogant, wannabe musketeer;
awesome swordsman

ATHOS: Musketeer #1 – quiet and strong

ARAMIS: Musketeer #2 – quiet and passive

PORTHOS: Musketeer #3 – loud and hungry

***CARDINAL RICHELIEU:** Our villain and evil
mastermind

†MILADY de WINTER: Wicked and cunning thief and
assassin

†KING LOUIS XIII: King of France and not too smart

†QUEEN ANNE: Queen of France, smarter

†GEORGE VILLIERS, THE DUKE OF BUCKINGHAM:
England; he likes the queen

CONSTANCE: D'Artagnan's girlfriend – super cute

***COUNT de ROCHEFORT:** Cardinal's evil right-hand
man

†JUSSAC: Cardinal's guard and best swordsman in
France, until D'Artagnan comes along

The same actors can play the following parts:

†Queen and Milady

†Duke and any Musketeer

†Cardinal, Rochefort, and Jussac

†King and any Muske-teer

There are also random guards that die during the play

There's a simple pronunciation key for the names and many
words throughout the play, located at the back of the book.

ACT 1 SCENE 1

(enter D'ARTAGNAN)

D'ARTAGNAN: *(to audience)* Well, I'm going to travel to Paris to become a Musketeer! I know what you're thinking...that's a great idea! I mean, so what if I'm not even 20 yet, I doubt I'll get in ANY trouble, and hey, I might even find a girl that likes me! Ha, hah, adventure awaits!

(exits)

ACT 1 SCENE 2

(enter D'ARTAGNAN riding a fake horse; enter ROCHEFORT)

ROCHEFORT: *(to audience)* That is one ugly horse!

D'ARTAGNAN: Sir, tell me what you are laughing at.

ROCHEFORT: Oh. Your horse...very ugly.

D'ARTAGNAN: Don't insult my horse! Let's fight!

ROCHEFORT: Why, my good fellow, you must be mad!
(points behind D'ARTAGNAN) Oh look, an elephant!

D'ARTAGNAN: Where? *(ROCHEFORT hits D'ARTAGNAN on the head, he falls to the ground)*

D'ARTAGNAN: Man, that wasn't fair! Who are you?

ROCHEFORT: Ha, hah! Just call me the man of Meung.
Goodbye!

(ROCHEFORT exits laughing evilly; D'ARTAGNAN exits holding his head)

ACT 1 SCENE 3

(enter 3 MUSKETEERS who stand downstage: ATHOS center; PORTHOS left; ARAMIS right)

ATHOS: *(to audience)* We are the Three Musketeers. I am Athos.

PORTHOS: *(striking a gallant pose)* I am Porthos.

ARAMIS: *(sitting down to read a book)* And I am Aramis.

(enter D'ARTAGNAN)

D'ARTAGNAN: I must catch that man of Meung!
(bumps into ATHOS) Excuse me, but I am in a hurry.

ATHOS: You are in a hurry?

D'ARTAGNAN: Peh! I'm running across the stage; you are in my way. I did not do it intentionally and I said 'Excuse me.' So, move it boddy, before you get hurt!

ATHOS: Monsieur, you are not polite.

D'ARTAGNAN: I warn you, if I wasn't running after someone... I would....

ATHOS: You would what? Monsieur Man-in-a-hurry, you can find me without running – ME....for a duel. Let's meet at the Carmes-Peschaux. About noon.

D'ARTAGNAN: Where? *(pause)* Whatever! I will be there! Now, out of my way! *(shoves away ATHOS, and runs around stage; ATHOS exits; D'ARTAGNAN runs into PORTHOS and falls to the ground, while PORTHOS doesn't move.)*

PORTHOS: Bless me! What do you think you're doing?

D'ARTAGNAN: Excuse me, I was running after someone. *(realizing how big PORTHOS is)* Whoa! You're one big ugly dude...ohhhh, I mean, monsieur.

PORTHOS: What?! Insult me? At one o'clock then, let's duel.

D'ARTAGNAN: Very well, at one o'clock, then. See ya! *(D'ARTAGNAN runs around stage again, PORTHOS exits; ARAMIS gets up, walks across stage and drops handkerchief accidentally from pocket)*

D'ARTAGNAN: Sir! You dropped your handkerchief! *(picks it up)*

ARAMIS: I did not drop it, and it is not mine!

D'ARTAGNAN: What? You have lied twice, monsieur, for I saw it fall from your hands.

ARAMIS: Did you just call me a liar? Well, I will teach you how to behave yourself. Two o'clock. Duel.

D'ARTAGNAN: Really? Sure, why not. Oh, and take your handkerchief, you're going to need it!

(they bow to each other; ARAMIS exits)

D'ARTAGNAN: *(to audience)* Aghhhhhhh!!! Seriously? Three Musketeers in the next three hours!!! But at least, if I am killed, I shall be killed by a Musketeer!

(D'ARTAGNAN exits)

ACT 1 SCENE 4

(ATHOS and D'ARTAGNAN enter)

ATHOS: Glad you could make it. I have engaged two of my friends as seconds.

D'ARTAGNAN: Seconds?

ATHOS: Yeah, they make sure we fight fair. Oh, here they are now!

(enter ARAMIS and PORTHOS singing, "Bad boys, bad boys, whatcha gonna do...")

PORTHOS: Hey! I'm fighting him in an hour. I am going to fight... because...well... I am going to fight!

ARAMIS: And I fight him at two o'clock! Ours is a theological quarrel. *(does a thinking pose)*

D'ARTAGNAN: Yeah, yeah, yeah.... I'll get to you soon!

ATHOS: We are the Three Musketeers: Athos, Porthos, and Aramis.

D'ARTAGNAN: Whatever, Ethos, Pathos, and Logos, let's just finish this! *(swords crossed and are about to fight; enter JUSSAC and cardinal's guards)*

PORTHOS: The cardinal's guards! Sheathe your swords, gentlemen.

JUSSAC: *Peeling is illegal! You are under arrest!*

ARAMIS: *(to ATHOS and PORTHOS)* There's three of us, let's get him!

D'ARTAGNAN: *(steps forward to join them)* It appears to me we are four! I have the spirit; my heart is that of a Musketeer.

PORTHOS: Great! I love fighting! Go get him, kid!

(D'ARTAGNAN says "Fight, fight fight!...Fight, fight, fight!" as he fights JUSSAC and it's a big fight; JUSSAC is wounded and exits; the 3 MUSKETEERS cheer)

ATHOS: Well done!

ARAMIS: And we don't have to kill you now!

PORTHOS: And let's get some food, too! I'm hungry!

D'ARTAGNAN: *(to audience)* This is fun!

(ALL exit)

ACT 2 SCENE 1

(enter D'ARTAGNAN carrying a message)

D'ARTAGNAN: *(reading letter)* A beautiful maiden has been kidnapped by the cardinal. Her name is Constance and she works for the queen. She was taken by a man with a scar on his face! *(rips letter)* Why, that's my man of Meung! *(yelling out)* I will help find you!

CONSTANCE: *(from off stage)* Thank you!

D'ARTAGNAN: *(yelling out)* Hey Musketeers!

(enter ATHOS, ARAMIS, PORTHOS)

ARAMIS: Hello.

ATHOS: Hello!

PORTHOS: Hello!!!

D'ARTAGNAN: Hello... beautiful girl, vengeance, adventure, going against the cardinal... and possibly even death... you in?

ATHOS: He just said we might die!

PORTHOS: He sure did!

ARAMIS: And we sure might!

3 MUSKETEERS: We're in!

(ALL exit)

ACT 2 SCENE 2

(enter D'ARTAGNAN and CONSTANCE)

D'ARTAGNAN: *(to audience)* There is Constance and wow! I mean like, a whole lot of WOW!

CONSTANCE: Excuse me?

D'ARTAGNAN: Uhhhh... nothing... I mean, you have the sweetest smile in the world!

CONSTANCE: Thanks. *(pause)* Who are you?

D'ARTAGNAN: Oh! I'm D'Artagnan. Your dad asked me to find you, and well, here you are!

CONSTANCE: Right. I just escaped from the cardinal's guards. Now, I must go, because I have some super important stuff to do for the queen!

D'ARTAGNAN: You know what? I like you. No... I LOVE you....

CONSTANCE: Aw, how cute... you're funny. I think I love you too!

(ALL exit)

ACT 2 SCENE 3

(CONSTANCE on stage asleep; DUKE knocks)

CONSTANCE: Who is up at this hour? Can't a girl get her beauty rest?!

(enter DUKE)

DUKE: I am the Duke of Buckingham, and I'm here to see the queen.

CONSTANCE: Buckingham?

DUKE: BUCKINGHAM!!!

CONSTANCE: *(yawning)* Oh... you do realize it is two in the morning.

DUKE: Yes, but knowing our countries hate each other, it's probably best to travel in darkness.

CONSTANCE: Whatever. *(yelling offstage)* Oh, Queen!!!

(enter QUEEN)

DUKE: *(to the QUEEN)* I know you're the Queen of France and I'm from England, but I really, really like you!

QUEEN: Easy there, you're cute and all, but I'm married to the king!

DUKE: Speak on, Queen, the sweetness of your voice is AMAZING! I'm not leaving until you accept my never-ending love for you!

QUEEN: Tell ya what, I'll give you my really beautiful necklace the king gave me IF we never see each other again.

DUKE: Uhhhh, okay.

QUEEN: *(to audience)* I sure hope this doesn't get me in trouble later!

DUKE: *(QUEEN hands necklace to DUKE)* Nice knowing you... but, if you need anything you have my number!

QUEEN: Yeah, yeah...

(ALL exit)

ACT 2 SCENE 4

(enter CARDINAL)

CARDINAL: *(to audience)* Well, well! Our spy informed me she saw the queen with the Duke last night! I will use this information and turn the king against the queen. Then, I will take power and rule France! Mwahahahahah!!! Now, a special mission. *(leaving off stage)* Oh, Milady!!!

(MILADY enters)

MILADY: You called, your eminence?

CARDINAL: Yes. You are a wickedly awesome assassin and thief, and I need you to put those skills to work. Are you up to doing a sinister task?

MILADY: Am I up to it? I am Milady de Winter, the most evil person in this story! You betcha I'm up for it!

CARDINAL: *(to audience)* Wow, she is evil! *(to MILADY)* Please visit the Duke and cut off two diamonds from the queen's necklace.

MILADY: Sounds like fun!

CARDINAL: Awesome, let's laugh evilly while we exit!

MILADY: Yes, let's!

(ALL exit, laughing evilly of course!)

ACT 2 SCENE 5

(enter KING)

KING: Hello Cardinal, what are you laughing about?

CARDINAL: Oh, nothing. How are you?

KING: Couldn't be better!

CARDINAL: Oh... well... that's good.

KING: Why do you say that?

CARDINAL: Well...no...it's not my place.

KING: What? I must know!

CARDINAL: Well sire, it seems that Buckingham has been in Paris five days.

KING: Buckingham in Paris!!! **MORPHEU!** But, we are enemies! What was he doing here?

CARDINAL: Yeah, about that, rumor has it...no, no... it's too much, sire.

KING: I am the king! You must tell me.

CARDINAL: Your Highness, it seems that he spoke with the queen last night.

KING: No, **PARDIEU**, no! My wife? But why?

CARDINAL: Well, the Duke IS handsome and powerful, but that can't have **ANYTHING** to do with it, right?

KING: You think that she deceives me?!

CARDINAL: What?! Nooooo... well...maybe? *(winking to audience)*

KING: What should I do?

CARDINAL: Not sure. *(pause)* Oh, I know, maybe you should show her how faithful you are and throw a big party for her!

KING: How fun!

CARDINAL: Oh, and you can ask her to wear those beautiful diamonds which you gave her as a token of her love.

KING: Yes, yes, this is good. I'm glad I thought of this! I will tell her right now! *(to audience)* I love it when I come up with great ideas! *(KING exits)*

CARDINAL: *(to audience)* Wow, he's a doofus... taking over power and ruling France will be MUCH easier than I thought! Muahahahah!!!!

(CARDINAL exits)

ACT 2 SCENE 6

(enter KING, QUEEN, and CONSTANCE)

KING: To show my undying love. I'm throwing a party next week, just for YOU!

QUEEN: That's fantastic! I'm so happy!

KING: And above all, can you wear that beautiful necklace I gave you?

QUEEN: *(to audience)* Uh, oh!

KING: What?

QUEEN: Uhhh, I said, I can't wait to go! So excited!

KING: Great! See ya later! *(KING exits)*

QUEEN: Oh, no! I am lost! I am lost! I just gave that necklace to the Duke!

CONSTANCE: Wait! I have an idea! I'll have my new love, P'Artagnan, and his friends, get your necklace back.

QUEEN: Awesome! I'm so happy again!

(ALL exit)

ACT 3 SCENE 1

(enter D'ARTAGNAN, CONSTANCE, and 3 MUSKETEERS)

CONSTANCE: D'Artagnan, I need you to go to England, get the queen's necklace back from the Duke, and return it within the next two scenes, or the queen will DIE!

ARAMIS: Wow, no pressure.

PORTHOS: This will be fun!

D'ARTAGNAN: So, are you guys in?

ATHOS: One for all, and all for one – That is our motto, is it not?

D'ARTAGNAN: Yes!

(they put their swords together)

ALL: One for all, and all for one!

(ALL exit running off stage)

ACT 3 SCENE 2

(enter D'ARTAGNAN and 3 MUSKETEERS)

PORTHOS: Well men, this journey should be pretty easy!

(enter cardinal's guards)

ARAMIS: Uhhhh, what did you just say?

PORTHOS: Well, it may be a bit harder than I thought! Go on without me, I'll fight them off! FOR FRANCE!!!
(Says, "fight, fight, fight..."; PORTHOS starts fighting them; PORTHOS chases them off stage)

(D'ARTAGNAN, ARAMIS, and ATHOS run around stage)

ARAMIS: Well, we are getting close.

(CARDINAL'S GUARDS sneak up behind D'ARTAGNAN, ARAMIS, and ATHOS. They start attacking; fight breaks out; everyone saying, "fight, fight, fight..."; GUARDS are killed; ARAMIS is hurt)

ATHOS: Aramis, you're hurt!

ARAMIS: It's just a flesh wound! But, I can proceed no farther! I'll hold off any others!

(ARAMIS exits; ATHOS and D'ARTAGNAN run around stage; GUARDS sneak up behind ATHOS and capture him)

D'ARTAGNAN: Athos!

ATHOS: Go on D'Artagnan! Besides, there's only three of them, I've got this! *(GUARDS take ATHOS off stage; D'ARTAGNAN runs around stage)*

D'ARTAGNAN: *(to audience)* Whew, this is getting tiring!

(enter DUKE)

DUKE: What do you want, D'Artagnan?

D'ARTAGNAN: *(out of breath)* Queen... trouble... necklace... help! *(D'ARTAGNAN hands letter to DUKE)*

DUKE: *(whines)* But, she just gave them to me! *(reads letter)* Trouble... necklace... help! Signed "The Queen". Fine... here are the precious studs! *(hands necklace to D'ARTAGNAN)*

D'ARTAGNAN: Thanks! *(pause, he gasps)* It's missing a couple diamonds!!!!

DUKE: HUH!? They have been stolen! That darn Milady! She's a sneaky one! *(MILADY sticks her head out from backstage and waves at audience)* But, good thing I made a copy of the necklace. *(hands new necklace to D'ARTAGNAN)* Take this and save the queen! Later!

(MILADY enters)

MILADY: Wait a minute, that wasn't cool.

DUKE: You shouldn't steal, you're a bad person.

(stabs Duke)

DUKE: Ouch! What was that for? You're not supposed to kill me till the end of the play.

MILADY: Yeah, well, we've shortened it a bit. So, goodbye.

DUKE: Goodbye. *(DUKE dies)*

D'ARTAGNAN: NOOOOOOO!!!!

MILADY: YESSSSSSS!!!!

(D'ARTAGNAN grabs MILADY)

D'ARTAGNAN: I'm taking you to the executioner.

MILADY: WHAT? NOOOOOOO!!!!

(D'ARTAGNAN takes MILADY off stage; MILADY screams then re-enters)

MILADY: He just killed me! Well, if I'm going out this way, it's going to be the best death ever! *(dies melodramatically on stage; D'ARTAGNAN enters)*

D'ARTAGNAN: Well, that was overly dramatic.

(MILADY glares at D'ARTAGNAN and then dies again; ALL exit)

ACT 3 SCENE 3

(enter CONSTANCE, D'ARTAGNAN, and QUEEN)

D'ARTAGNAN: Here you go your majesty, your diamonds!

QUEEN: Wow, you rock! And just in time...

(enter KING and CARDINAL with a diabolical smile)

KING: My dear, I see that you have your necklaces!

QUEEN: Just for you, my love!

CARDINAL: *(to audience)* MORBLEU! This really stinks!

KING: What?

CARDINAL: Uhhh, I said, let's all drink! A toast to the queen!

CONSTANCE: Yeah! We saved the day!

D'ARTAGNAN: We sure did! Let's go home!

(ALL exit)

ACT 4 SCENE 1

(D'ARTAGNAN and 3 MUSKETEERS enter)

ARAMIS: D'Artagnan, you have done well, you are now a musketeer!!! *(ARAMIS hands musketeer outfit to D'ARTAGNAN, who cheers)*

ATHOS: Well done! We are now the Four Musketeers!

PORTHOS: But, I thought this story was about the Three Musketeers, you know, us?

ARAMIS: Yeah, but it's really all about D'Artagnan.

PORTHOS: Wait... What!? Why?

ATHOS: Don't know, we didn't write it. But, you know what?

PORTHOS: What?

ATHOS: One for all...

4 MUSKETEERS: And all for one!

(ALL exit)

The End