

# GULP

Featuring Tony Williams & Dennis Clare

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WHEN FACING A FEAR TAKE A BIG..... ... DON'T LET YOUR FEARS GET THE  
BETTER OF YOU ... YOU CAN OVERCOME YOUR FEARS ... FEARS ARE ONLY AS BIG AS YOU IMAGINE  
THEM ... WE ARE ALL PART OF THE WEB OF LIFE

## The Production

In this wonderful production, Dennis and Tony deal with the scary topic of fears. Students are presented with a visual feast which allows the imagination to explore and wonder... what lurks behind the writhing silver backdrop with protruding eyes? Why is Dennis swallowed up by a giant Slinky? And so the fun begins and the journey starts..... GULP – a journey to challenge and confront our fears – both imaginary and real.

Gulp isn't just the sound we make when we face our fears, it also the sound of what we eat or..... what might eat us. Discover we are all part of the food chain and we all have a place in the cycle of life... Witness the duo wearing giant slinky chap's trying to out do each other... an unbelievable visual stunt.

And finally Dennis and Tony are gulped up by the backdrop with just their heads, arms and legs appearing. By this time the children are well versed in the theme song and join in as Tony and Dennis are sucked back and swallowed up by the unimaginable..... GULP

Using their own unique brand of mime, music and mayhem, Dennis and Tony teach important lessons through highly effective songs delivering a very entertaining, interactive and informative production.

Gulp was performed at the National Children's Festival in Victoria and the song "Gulp" won Tony the Australian Children's Song of the Year in 2005. The slinky apparatus which is used in this production was used by Dennis and Tony in their appearances on **Australia's Got Talent** and their performance on the show has had over two hundred thousand hits on youtube.

## Outcomes

- \* Empowering children to face their fears
- \* Helping children with different ways to overcome fears
- \* Empowering children to understand their feelings
- \* Understanding our place in biodiversity
- \* Children are exposed to live music and theatre of the highest standard.

## The Performers:

**Singer Songwriter - Tony Williams Performing Artist - Dennis Clare**

Tony and Dennis form a comedy duo called Carpe Idiotus and have worked professionally throughout Australia in the entertainment industry for over 25 years.

**Tony Williams** works around Sydney as a professional singer and has recorded several albums. He is an award winning singer song writer, winning the Australian children's song of the year in 2005.

Tony brings demonstrates high standard musically, providing an inspiring role model and an opportunity for students to see a musician of his calibre in a live performance. His piano and vocal work combined with his composition skills are second to none.

**Dennis Clare** has worked extensively overseas receiving mime training in America from Reid Gilbert, founder of the Valley Studio, Wisconsin Mime Theatre, and administrator of International Mimes and Pantomimes. Although mime is fast becoming a lost art form, Dennis presents it in a vibrant and accessible way using all the illusions of mime to captivate his audience. Over the years Dennis has developed a unique art form of visual theatre, which incorporates use of an apparatus known as the slinky. He is arguably one of the best in his chosen field. He regularly performs for the Art Gallery of NSW a relationship which spans nearly two decades and has created several works commissioned by the Gallery.

<b>DURATION:</b> 50 minutes	<b>SUITABILITY:</b> Yrs K-6
<b>PERFORMANCE COST:</b> \$5.00 per student \$0.50 GST <b>Total: \$5.50</b> (Incl. GST)	<b>PERFORMANCE MINIMUM(130 students)</b> \$650.00 per performance \$ 65.00 GST <b>Total: \$715.00</b> (Incl. GST)

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