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## Time

A One-Minute Play

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## Characters

TIME  
 PHILOSOPHER

Time Personified  
 A Philosopher musing on the questions of Life

## Setting

Any time. Any place.

## Scene Begins

*(Curtain rises/Lights up, revealing PHILOSOPHER sitting meditatively, musing on Life's connection with Time. TIME stands behind, head down, completely motionless.)*

PHILOSOPHER  
 What is Life, but a collection of moments?

TIME  
*(Looks up and out, over the audience.)*  
 Time... Ticking away...

PHILOSOPHER  
 One after the other.

TIME

*(Starts swaying, like a Grandfather clock pendulum.)*

Tick. Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

Each replacing the next as it fades away...

TIME

Tick. Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

Changing the Present to the Past.

TIME

Tick. Tock

PHILOSOPHER

And the Future to the Present.

TIME

*(Shifts focus from audience to PHILOSOPHER)*

Tock. Tick.

PHILOSOPHER

An endless hourglass...

TIME

Tock. Tick.

PHILOSOPHER

Forever emptying...

TIME

*(Strokes PHILOSOPHER's cheek lovingly.)*

Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

*(Looks towards TIME's hand, but doesn't see it.)*

An eternity of sand...

TIME

*(Strokes PHILOSOPHER's other cheek lovingly.)*

Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

*(Looks towards TIME's hand again, but doesn't see it.)*

Each grain... Lost.

TIME

Tick. Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

Impossible for the strongest hand to bring back.

TIME

*(Redirects focus back to Audience.)*

Tick. Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

Irrecoverable.

TIME

*(Resumes swaying.)*

Tick. Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

Eternally...

TIME

Tick. Tock.

PHILOSOPHER

...Running out.

*(Lights down/Curtain)*

*FINIS*