



## **ALternative Learning Assignment: IMPROV!**

### **Directions:**

1. Print the following page that has a list of “opening lines” and cut the paper into strips—one line per strip.
2. Put the strips into a hat or a container.
3. Look over the rules of Improv below. If you are doing a scene, have your partner look over the rules of improv as well.
4. Draw a slip of paper out of the hat or container and take 10 seconds to read it.
5. Begin your improvised monologue or scene using the line on the slip of paper as your first line. If you are doing a scene, do not let your scene partner look at the line.
6. Perform your improvised monologue or scene for 1-2 minutes finishing with a strong ending. You can film your monologue or scene as well to share on social media or to email to Mr. Jason and Mrs. Mikayla.
7. Afterwards, you can discuss what worked and what didn't in the improv scene. You may want to let your scene partner now draw the first line or attempt a second monologue!
8. Have fun!

### **4 Rules of Improvisation**

1. Say “yes.” The first rule of improvisation is agree. Always agree.
2. Say “yes and”. The second rule of improvisation is not only to say yes, but yes and. Add to the scene.
3. Make statements. This is a positive way of saying “Don't ask questions all the time.” If there is a problem, be part of the solution.
4. There are no mistakes. Only effort and opportunities.



## IMPROV OPENING LINES

Dominoes aren't meant to be left out in the sun

My mouth feels like wet Velcro

If only everyone could see me now

I think I'll go sleep on that squirrel

Does my voice sound like a tiny robot

We all just need a little patience

The best things in life are free

All it takes is one crooked wheel

Never underestimate the importance of clean underwear

What makes you think bananas are the answer

Please stop looking at my earlobe

One time I tried to jump over a peach tree

The goats have already left for dinner

Never point to a pine tree

You look like a confused dinosaur

The first step is to bait the hook

Let me brush that for you

Explain yourself quickly