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Improvisation Starters

Gifts



A new game called 'Yes, and...'

1. In pairs choose one person to be person A and the other person B. Stand or sit, facing each other.
2. Person A starts the story and person B responds with "Yes, and...." In turns you develop your story. For example:

- Person A: "I went to a magical island..."
- Person B "Yes, and it was very cold..."
- Person A: "Yes, and instead of sun baking, everyone ice skated on the frozen water..."
- Person B: "Yes, and one day the ice started to melt..."

1. Now swap, so that person B starts the story.
2. Re-cap the key dramatic moments in your story to the class.

Don't forget

Complete the Drama Journal Template, with your favourite idea, what you have learned, or could work on.

What have you learned?

- Discuss how the 'accepting an offer' activity creates an improvisation.
- What would happen if your partner were always saying "No, but...?" Give this a try and discuss the difference.

- Discuss any improvisation performances you may have seen, for example a street performer, a comedian, a theatre production, or come up with your own.