



Late for Work Game

Drama

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WHAT MAKES IT MEANINGFUL

This fun activity allows participants to utilize their creativity. Additionally, Drama is an important way to express ourselves and act out different roles that we can take on in our everyday life. Drama provides a way for us to express emotions and take on different roles that help us to understand how others might respond. Drama is a way for us to engage with others and interact in meaningful ways on different levels.

TIME

This activity can take as little as 30 minutes or as much as 1 hour depending on how long the game plays out for.

MATERIALS

Optional: props such as, hats, jackets, wigs, etc.

INSTRUCTIONS

This game works best in a group (minimum 5 people)

1. Assign one person to be 'late for work', another to be the boss, and the rest of the group will be the employees.
2. The 'late for work' person and the boss will exit the room, while the rest of the group (the employees) will remain in the room and come up with an elaborate reason for why their co-worker is late for work. Make it as funny as possible (e.g. their goldfish ran away)!
3. After 5 minutes the group will meet together and the employees will stand behind the boss while the boss' back is faced toward them. The 'late for work' employee will face the boss so they can see their coworkers.
4. The boss asks them why they are late for work.



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5. While only using gestures, the employees must communicate the reason for their lateness to the 'late for work' co-worker.
6. The boss is allowed to look back at their employees. If they look back and see them gesturing they must tell them to get back to work and the game is finished.
7. The goal of the game is for the 'late for work' co-worker to successfully state the reason for their lateness without their boss noticing their coworkers miming.
8. Once the game is finished, change everyone's roles and start again!

RESOURCES

<https://sillyfishlearning.com/2018/01/late-work-improvisation-game/>

SUPPORTS NEEDED

Supports may vary depending on the individual.

OTHER THINGS TO NOTE