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What makes a good role play? – Tips and tricks

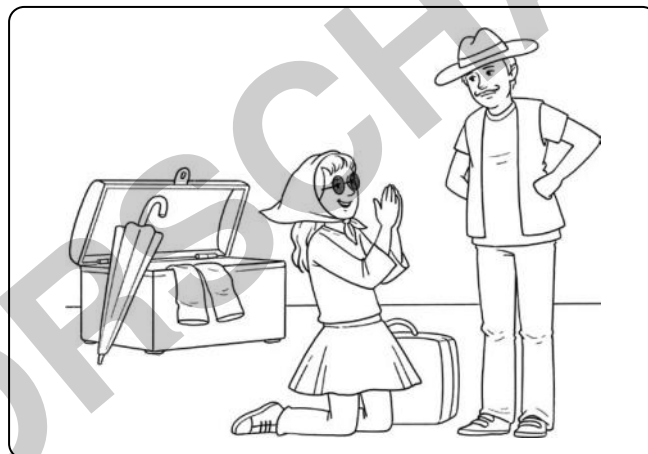
Work as a team and plan your dialogue with your partners.



Take notes. They will help you for the performance.



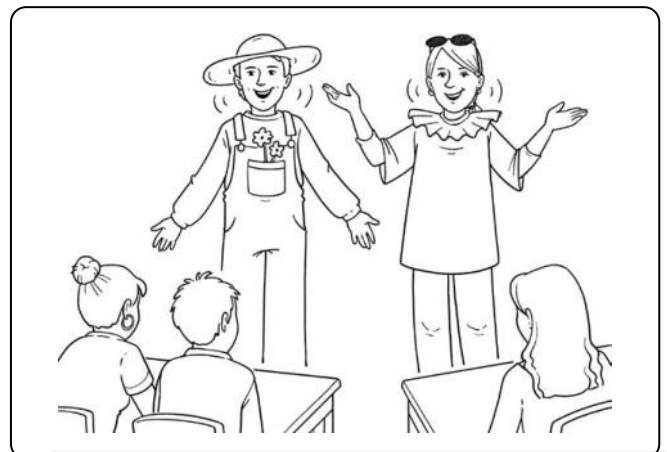
Practice your role play in your group. Use objects and clothes that fit the situation.



When you act, your audience should see your face all the time.





Speak naturally and loud enough. Don't speak too fast.



Trouble with the teacher (teacher, student)

Language tools

<p>Teacher Are you sleeping? Is everything ok with you? Please wake up! What are you thinking? I have never seen this before! I will give you a bad mark! I should call your parents!</p> <p>What happened? Why did you fall asleep? What is your excuse? When did you go to bed last night?</p>	
<p>Student Oh, sorry! Where am I? No, I'm not sleeping! I was just resting my eyes. What's the matter?</p> <p>I studied so much last night. I read a book in English last night. I was so tired. It was so boring! Don't call my parents, please! I love your English lessons.</p>	

Vocabulary

to sleep	to babysit	angry	couldn't sleep
to accept	tired	lesson	I'm sorry.
to have a headache	boring	bad/good mark	What's the matter?

Trouble with the teacher (teacher, student)

Role cards

Role card: teacher

One of your students falls asleep during your English class. You are angry. You wake the student up and question him or her. You listen to his/her excuses. Do you accept the student's excuses?

Your notes: _____



Role card: student

You fall asleep during the English class. Your teacher wakes you up and is very angry. You try to give good excuses. Think of reasons why you fell asleep. You don't want to get a bad mark and you don't want to get in trouble with your parents!

Your notes: _____



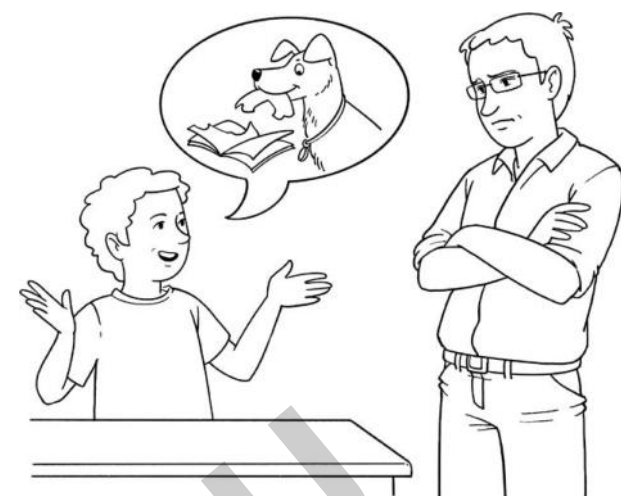

Role card: friend

You want to help your friend. Try to calm down your English teacher.

Your notes: _____

No homework (student, teacher)

Language tools

<p>Student It's not my fault! I had to help my mum all weekend. My brother took my homework. I'm sorry! I know all the answers anyway. Can I go home and get it? Can I show you tomorrow? Someone stole it from my school bag! The homework was too difficult for my parents. Don't call my mum please! Homework is not so important.</p>	
<p>Mr Brookes Where is your homework? Why don't you have your homework? What happened? I don't believe you! I'm very sorry to hear that. It's not your fault then. I have to give you a bad mark. I should call your parents. You can show me your homework tomorrow. This is not the first time.</p>	

Vocabulary

to believe sb.	to babysit	sick	good/bad grades
to apologize	stole	difficult	fault
to have the flu	strict	too tired	bad excuse

No homework (student, teacher)

Observer sheet

Observe your classmates. Evaluate their performance and their arguments.

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Planning a sleepover (two friends)

Situation:

You and your best friend are planning a sleepover. You discuss where you sleep, when you are going to meet, and what you want to do in the evening. You could spend a quiet evening, watch films and play games. Your mum would cook your favourite food for you. Or you could find something more special and exciting to do. Your friend's parents are gone for the weekend and you would be alone there.

Roles:

two friends



At the police station (two friends, police officer)

Situation:

You and your friend are on a trip in Brighton. At the station, your backpacks get stolen. You saw the man who took them but you couldn't catch him. You don't know what to do now. All your money and your train tickets are in your bags. Also your smartphones are in your bags so you can't call your family. You go to the police station and ask for help.




Roles:

two friends, police officer



At the police station (two friends, police officer)

Language tools

<p>Friend 1 Hello officer! We need your help. Our bags got stolen! The bag was green and blue. The man was tall and slim. Our train tickets were inside our bags. We can't call our parents now. How do we get home?</p>	
<p>Friend 2 Good afternoon, officer. Excuse me, can you help us? A thief stole our bags. He wore a blue jacket and grey trousers. He ran away very fast. Can you contact our parents? The phone number is ... My address is ...</p>	
<p>Police officer Hello, how can I help you? Did you see the man? What did the man look like? What was inside? Don't worry, I will help you. Do you know your parents' phone number? I can bring you home.</p>	

Vocabulary

to run away	tall	glasses	wallet
thief	slim	backpack	smartphone
brown eyes	beard	train ticket	Don't worry.