

July & August Speaking Activity Pg. 1

1st & 2nd Meeting Speaking Activity: Read in the Style Of...

In the Style Of...

This is a fun exercise to encourage vocal variety - expression in speaking. It allows players to explore creatively without having to worry about content. You'll find once it's played confidently, there will be a heightened awareness of body language and audience response.

The skills this is helping your Courage Circle members practice and master are:

developing vocal variety

developing awareness of audience response

developing appropriate body language to highlight delivery

developing confidence

Materials:

You need books (one for each group) and a list of commonly known styles for people to imitate from the following pages or you can write your own.

Method:

Divide your class into small groups of 5. Have each person think of a style or emotional state (or give them one from those you selected and printed from the Resources) before you begin the game.

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Method (continued)

Give the person beginning the game the book you have brought (it doesn't matter what book it is but have enough for each group) and have each person choose a style from the characters or emotions cards you have printed. They flip open the book and read for about 20 - 30 seconds in the style/emotion chosen. When they're done, they hand the book to the next person, and they must use their style in the character and/or emotion they chose.

Note:

The key is exaggeration - the more embodied the state or style the better!

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Character cards below.

preacher

story teller

sports commentator

soldier issuing orders

President

thriller crime story

disc jockey

romance novel

rapper

gossip columnist

a young person who is
learning to read

girl on the phone to her
friend

a person with a cold

team coach

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Character cards below.

voice over for a radio
advertisement

a celebrity - name your
choice

call center operator

newsreader

weather presenter

robot

someone ringing in sick to
work

tired mother being
harassed by her children

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Emotions cards below.

bored

loving

tired

teasing

excited

sarcastic

scared

doubtful

authoritative

hysterical

angry

amused

shy

happy

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Emotions cards below.

ashamed

confused

sad

tense

bitter

submissive

nervous

temperamental

superior

foolish

calm

sympathetic

courageous

amazed

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Emotions cards below.

passionate

grouchy

thrilled

hopeful

content

cynical

boastful

inspired

innocent

self-pitying

mad

brave

concerned

jealous

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Emotions cards below.

resentful

complaining

impulsive

impatient

wise

frustrated

vain

serene

sensitive

practical

preoccupied

pleased

aggressive

powerful

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Instructions: Print and cut apart the in the Style of Emotions cards below.

punishing

ruthless

insecure

kind

cruel

greedy

moody

joyful

paranoid

obsessed

anxious

hurt

guilty

disappointed