



late for lineup
beginner
standard improv

before you begin

objective:	participants will practice pantomime and use expression without voice
values:	creativity, character
number of participants:	10-20
materials:	an open space

how to play

1. The participants are split into two teams and stand on opposite sides of the space.
2. The scene is set as follows: "You're late for lineup and you have to explain why without talking, moving your lips, or making sounds. You are using only your body, like charades."
3. The facilitator then stands in the middle of the space, equidistant to both teams.
4. One participant from each team comes to the facilitator and facilitator whispers the same "excuse" to both participants.
5. Those participants run back to their respective teams and begin to perform the excuse without talking.
6. Once someone on a team guesses the excuse correctly, the participant miming must run back to the judge and slap his/her hand to get a point.
7. If no one guesses correctly after some time, the two participants miming move over to the side and new participants play using the same excuse.
8. Game can be played until one team reaches a certain amount of points.

☆ **sidecoaching:**

sample excuses:

- *Animal attack*
- *Overslept*
- *Fell and broke body part*
- *Lost my watch*
- *Helped a friend up the hill*
- *Went to nurse*
- *Picked up a project from A & C*
- *Thought they had breakfast in bed*
- *Hit by a golf car*