# **ACTING STATION | OLIO GAMES**



# Olio

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  - PURPOSE: Fun tag game to get energy out while also being aware of different senses of urgency within a scene

# • Prop Bag:

- Investigate the ways that props can be used in different ways after pulling them out of a bag:
- EX: A watering can could be binoculars, or a shield could be a frisbee
- PURPOSE: A game that shows that there can be more than one purpose for different objects

#### Genre Switch:

- Ask campers to try their skit in different styles (ex. romantic, horror, musical)
- PURPOSE: Shows how the purpose and intention can change within a scene when lines are delivered in different ways

### Catch and Clap

- Toss a bean bag or easy-to-catch ball back and forth around the circle. Let players know that it is the thrower's responsibility to allow the catcher to catch it! Once a rhythm is established, introduce a "clap" every time the ball is in the air. All other players must clap in unison while the ball is in the air.
- PURPOSE: Focus game

## • Yes, Lets!

- Campers will spread out in space, and one by one, kids will start yelling out actionsthe group responding with "Yes, Lets!". Simple game to follow the action!
- EX: Let's jog in place. Yes, let's!
- PURPOSE: Helps introduce the idea of being open to different ideas within improv.

# **ACTING STATION | PARLANDO GAMES**



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#### Park Bench:

- Campers must do whatever they can to get a certain character off of a bench
- EX: How would you try to get Spiderman to get off of a bench? Maybe to go save the world?
- PURPOSE: Gets inside their characters minds and the differences within their mindset vs. their characters

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# **ACTING STATION | BOMBERSHAY GAMES**



# **Bombershay**

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#### • Yes And:

- A theatre game that encourages open minded thinking when it comes to improv scenes. Give a scenario, and ask actors to raise the stakes by offering proposals to conflicts, and be open to saying yes
- PURPOSE: Shows the importance of being open within improv, and how they can lead to some pretty crazy discoveries

## • ABC's:

- Campers must act out a scene by saying lines in the order of the alphabet. If you start your sentence with the wrong letter- you're out!
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