

Open Scenes Presentation (handout)

In your pairs decide the following:

Character: Who are you?

Why are you here?

One person plays "A" the other plays "B" (or "C" if doing a 3 person scene)

Relationship to each other: How do you know each other?

Are you strangers?

Do you like each other?

Conflict: What is happening right now, in this scene to make you say these words?

Make specific choices!!!!

Figure out what the meaning is behind your words.

How will you convey that meaning using only the words in your script?

Open Scene 1

A: Get out of here.

B: I think I'll stay.

A: You are not supposed to be here.

B: And you are?

A: Are you out of your mind?

B: Are you?

A: Just leave already.

B: You first.

Open Scene 2

A: Think this will last long?

B: What?

A: This. It has to end sometime.

B: This?

A: It can't go on forever, right?

B: It can't go on forever.

A: You're right. It isn't so bad.

B: If you say so.

A: I feel better. Thanks.

B: If you say so.

Open Scene 3

A: Check it out.

B: No way.

A: This is unbelievable.

B: Stop.

A: Not if you paid me a million dollars.

B: I'm telling.

A: No way.

B: Here I go.

A: Stop.

B: Not if you paid me a million dollars.

Open Scene 4

A: I'm going to do it.

B: Me too.

A: It can't be as hard as they say.

B: What do they say?

A: That it's scary and risky and there's a slight chance of...

B: Slight chance of what?

A: Victory.

B: You sure?

A: Would I lie to you?

Open Scene 5 (for 3 people)

A: Who is this?

B: A friend.

C: Hello.

A: A friend?

C: We met last week.

B: At the store.

A: OK... during the day, or at night?

B: Night.

C: But it was still light out...

B: It was getting dark.

A: Uh-huh.

B: Well.

A: Well what?

C: I need to go.

A: Bye.

B: Wait!

A: Go follow. I'm done. Bye.