

ACTING EXERCISES: IMAGINATION #3

This exercise is aimed to develop your imagination. In order for the audience to believe your acting, it's you who has to believe first that the life of your character is real. And to do that, you need to be able to build a small world of your character's life in your mind. Even just for one scene, you have to come up with answers of why you are doing, what you are doing, why is it that way, etc. That's exactly what your imagination is for. You should work on developing your imagination as often as possible. It is useful for mastering acting skills, but also it is so much fun to live and have a good imagination! All you need for this simple exercise is an object.

- 1. Pick an object in your house. It can be anything. A jump rope, a pencil, a cooking pot, anything!
- 2. Now, come up with 20 different ways to use that object. It doesn't have to be practical or even completely true, just let your mind run wild imagining all of the things that one object could be used for. For example, a pencil can be used for writing, but it can also be used as a bridge for ants, or a hair clip, or even supplies to build a bird's nest! Be as creative as you can.
- 3. Repeat with another object. This exercise is simple and fun, and it works your imagination while encouraging creative thinking. All good qualities that an actor must have!