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Intro. To Theatre
Improvisation Study Guide

7 Steps to Improv

1. What is Improvisation?

1) *Definition:* _____

2. List the 7 Steps to Improv:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____
- 3) _____
- 4) _____
- 5) _____
- 6) _____
- 7) _____

Improv Vocabulary

1. Any dialog or action which adds an idea to the scene:

2. Rejecting information or ideas offered by another player:

3. To break character and start laughing during a scene:

4. An offer that specifically assigns characteristics or attributes to another performer's character:

5. Action arising from a natural impulse or tendency:

Viola Spolin

1. Viola Spolin was known as:

- a.

- b.

- c.

2. Viola Spolin was introduced to the idea of Theatre Games by the sociologist:

_____.

3. From 1939-1941, Spolin worked as what for the WPA project?

4. Her non-profit theatre education center is called the

_____.

5. What is the name of Spolin's book, considered to be the "bible of improvisational theatre"?

6. The Compass Players was founded when?

7. The Compass Players was co-founded by:

a.

b.

8. The Compass Players had a significant influence on:

a.

b.