



Social Emotion Learning and Drama

A creative approach to building school and life skills

HTY is pleased to present you with this brief, creative activity to help your students exercise Social-Emotional Learning competencies.

DESCRIPTION: "It's not my fault!" What causes partners to blame each other for their problems working together? HTY teaching artists Ms. Lily and Mr. Jonathan are joined by guest artist Ms. Stephanie to present a scene of students who struggle to work well together, asking the question: How might the characters of Maka and Nina improve their working relationship?

GRADE LEVEL FOCUS: 2-5

SEL FOCUS: Relationship Skills (communication, teamwork)

NHES.4.5.1 Demonstrate effective verbal and nonverbal communication skills to enhance health. (Grades 3-5)

ACTIVITY: Watch a scene of two students who are having trouble working well together. Afterwards, discuss (and maybe even act out) what choices the two students could have made to improve their working relationship.



Three-and-a-half-minute activity

TO PREPARE, please:

- Preview the video before sharing it with your students to best help you introduce the activity.
- Pair students up to watch and then discuss the video.
- If time and interest allow, have the pairs act out the scene to demonstrate a more positive relationship between the characters.