Since 2002 EIGHT IS NEVER ENOUGH has delivered hilarious interactive musical comedy shows improvised based on audience participation and suggestions. IMPROV 4 TEENS and IMPROV 4 KIDS programs presents shows and classes to K-12 students.

Improv is fun. We play together, so we call ourselves players. Each **PLAYER** (actor, comic, singer in an Improv show) serves the role of performer, writer and director.

To create an original story, players work as a **TEAM** to create the **WHO** (characters/relationships), **WHERE** (setting/location) and **WHAT** (plot/action). We make **BIG CHOICES**. We **LISTEN** to our teammates and **RESPOND** thinking, "**YES! AND**..."

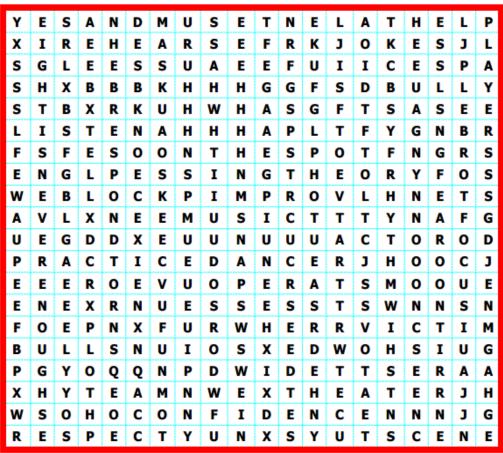
"YES! And..." is the number on rule of Improv. We always say and think "YES!" We never **BLOCK** our scene partners by saying "NO!" to their ideas. Instead we **RESPECT** their **CHOICES** and respond with **DETAILS** that support their choices. We create **TRUST** and **CONFIDENCE** by making our team look great. And the entire team makes us feel and look great.

Improv reflects real life. When we support each other we feel great about ourselves. Sometimes we can get a quick laugh as a **BULLY**, but we soon feel empty inside. We are all different. We all make choices. We should all respect each other's choices and **DIVERSITY**. We should never hurt others. And if you are hurting, for any reason, talk to someone - parent, older sibling, teacher, community leader etc. When we open up and share our troubles we begin the path to finding solutions. You have the power to make choices that support your health and wellbeing. **EMPOWER** yourself. One should never live in **FEAR**. If you have a friend in trouble, step up and ask for help. If you have a friend bullying another, don't support that behavior.

Remember this simple phrase, "Nothing is HARD!" Perhaps we have not figured out how to complete a particular task yet. We have not learned a skill or researched for information. The second you label something as "hard" you throw up the walls of impossibility. You shut down. You might even give up. Every challenge is achievable with time and effort. HAVE FUN!

## Improv Word Find

Find and circle the words in Bold. Then see if you can find additional words and terms that relate to the performing arts! Any words you do not know, look up the meaning in the library.



Don't be a **BULLY**, and don't be a **VICTIM**. If you need **HELP**, just **ASK**!

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