

Careers in the Arts Workshop: 21st Century Skills in Action



5th Grade Workshop – Producing the Play

Pre-workshop Activities

1. As a class, make a list of careers involved in producing a play. Think about the people you see, and those that work behind the scenes. What types of skills do you think each of these people need to do their jobs?
2. Divide into small groups. Select a topic you are studying in class, a historical figure, or an event in history. Research the topic and then adapt a short play based on historical facts. Perform your skit for the class.

Follow-up

1. Think about the job you had during the workshop today. What did you like about your job? What was challenging about it? Of all the different careers involved in producing a play that were discussed, which job would you want and why? Write a letter to the producer applying for that job. Be sure to highlight your strengths and how they will serve you in the job.