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From: Performance Pieces

Reduce Reuse Recycle

Pour drinks into glasses that have been used before. For each drink or shot declare, "All new information must come from familiar containers."

Anthology Auction

Rip poems/art reproductions/etc out of an anthology; hold an art auction in the age of mechanical reproduction.

Civics Test

Use the follow questions:

When you think of an American, whom do you see?

How old are they?

How long have they been here?

Is this person a "new" American?

Can the person you're picturing be a "new" American? Why/why not?

Does the American you see believe that people should own any type of gun?

Does the American you see own a gun? Should they? Are there any types of Americans who shouldn't?

If they own a gun, what type is it? When was the last time they fired it?

When you think of an American, where do they live?

Do they own a home? Rent?

Do they live in the city? Suburbs? Rural area? Which part of the United States are they in? Are they in the United States?

Do they live alone?

Who do they live with?

Are they single?

Who are they attracted to?

Describe or draw your American's partner.

Do they have children?

If so, how many and how old are the children? Are these children well-behaved?

How would this person be a "better" American?

Do you consider yourself an American?

Does that status satisfy you?

How do you see yourself as the same as the person you described before?

How are you different?

Do the differences bother you?

Do consider being American to be a good thing? Why or why not?

Are you good? Why/why not?