

BUILDING COMMUNITY

Actor's Tools

- Define the Job of an Actor as a Storyteller.
- Point out every job has specific tools to do that job. (Examples: Carpenters, Musicians)
- Create a gesture to go with each Actor's Tool: Body, Voice, Mind, Imagination.
- Warm up the Tools by reviewing the gestures.
- Introduce Actor's Neutral (or Mountain Pose): feet planted shoulder width apart, arms by the side, chest up, chin up, tall and strong (like a mountain), relaxed and ready for anything!

BUILDING COMMUNITY & ENTERING TEXT

Vocabulary Living Statues

1. Read the vocabulary word for pronunciation. Students repeat the word.
2. Say: Think about what the word means. (If necessary, give a definition or ask for someone to explain the word) You are using your actor's tool: your **mind**.
3. **Imagine** what a statue of the word might look like. (Statues are frozen!) On the count of three, use your **body** to create that statue. 1-2-3- Freeze! *Actor's Neutral*.
4. Think about what the word means again. Now you are going to use your **voice**. On the count of three, say it like you mean it. 1-2-3...
5. Now, say the word while you create the statue. Put your body and your voice together. 1-2-3 Go! *Actor's Neutral*
6. That was great. Make it bigger! 1-2-3 Go!