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## How to Make a Script for a Skit

Skits are basically short plays, which generally last only a few minutes. The script is the written text of a skit. It provides a road map for the actors and others involved in the production of the skit. Although the actors might improvise some dialogue and actions in a skit, write a script to serve as the outline for what happens in the skit.

### Instructions

- Make a page listing each major character in the skit. Write each character's name, followed by any distinguishing physical characteristics. Also write any unusual habits or ways of acting or speaking, along with any vital background information, about each character.
- Write "SETTING:" in bold letters, and describe the skit's setting underneath it. Write a brief description of where the skit action occurs, along with what the actors are doing when the skit opens.
- Write the name of a character who has dialogue, followed by a colon, in bold letters. Single-space down to the next line and put any specific action that character is doing as she speaks, in parenthesis.
- Single-space and write the dialogue that the character speaks. Write the character's dialogue in one single-spaced block. Double-space between the character's dialogue and the name of the next character with dialogue.
- Keep the characters' dialogue concise, and avoid rambling.
- Show the skit's theme within the first few seconds, through dialogue and action. Keep the skit's pace moving rapidly, to engage the audience and give them a quick understanding of the characters and situation.