

Double Soulstrip

Or: How not to approach people.

A Minilarp about clichés and gender stereotypes for six participants by Tobi Asczo, January 2017

Duration: 30 mins

Space: Any small room will do. Six players without a barrier between them might be perfect.

Other requirements: none

You´ve played „Soulstrip“ before?

If yes, that´s fine, it might help with the mechanics. If not: Go there first and have fun!

<http://checkreality.de/wordpress/en/our-games/soul-strip/>

This Setting here is a just bit more complex... but it´s still having fun with clichés.

But should this be played naked, just like „Soulstrip“?

No, everybody may stay comfortable and clothed. Do what you want, have fun as you like it!

The story is always the same:

A Pick-Up-Artist approaches his/her next victim and gets turned down.

How does this game work?

Each player takes the role of one aspect of a person.

Three Players for each side - so two teams to play the characters.

The Teams try to agree on the perfect words.

Each aspect should say one line to the other side.

The Game is played in three acts.

1st Act:

An inner monologue of the Pick Up Artist leads to the (always a bit cheap) opener.

The Approached is not interested and so these aspects have their inner monologue to turn him down with a better phrase.

2nd Act:

The Pick-Up-Artist tries his best, to get control of the situation...

Inner Monologue → Second sentence

... and get´s another answer he did not expect.

Inner Monologue → Second sentence

3rd Act.

He tries it for the last time, maybe just to save his pride.

Inner Monologue → his last try

... and the Approached finishes him.

Inner Monologue → last reply → End of the Game

You might want to read this text before starting the game:

The Pick Up Artist

We have read the books about picking up.

We have practiced at home, in front of the mirror. We have followed the talks in the net.

We are ready for this. We need to do this. We will do this!

The Approached / The Victim

We are living a good life, we feel fine with ourself,

we are quite normal, have modern standards for morals

But what did i just hear? Who is that Person? That kind of talking?

Choose your side and pick your aspect (randomly or not).

#1 The Alpha Male

You are God's gift to Womankind.

You know it, you show it.

Be selfish, aggressive and show modesty only to support your goals.

Pick Up Artist

#2 His Support: Desperation

You are needy, you can't stand being alone - not another time!

You will do anything to support #1

Pick Up Artist

#3 His last remains of dignity and self respect

You know the history of all this.

#1 tried to shut you down but you're still here.

It's never too late to go back!

Pick Up Artist

#1 The Feminist

You're a modern 21st century person, fair in every way, support equal rights, lead a good life which you've earned all by yourself.

Try not to lose your temper.

The Approached

#2 Her Support: Disgust

You are strong and proud. You'd rather be alone for the rest of your life than waste time with this!

You will do anything to support #1

The Approached

#3 Her Teenage Child with too much lust for life

You know the history of all this.

#1 tried to shut you down but you're still here.

It's never too late to have fun!

The Approached