



# This is Not A...

This Theater game activates curiosity by using the infinite power of imagination. Students take turns passing an object around the circle and engaging with it. The idea of the game is simple: The objective is to transform an object into something it's not.

## Directions

Teacher models the first example by holding up the object.

Example: *This stapler is not a stapler. It is a diving board for cockroaches.*

*The teacher pantomimes a small cockroach walking along the top of the stapler, looks both ways and maybe shows a facial expression of fear, bounces and jumps into the water.*

This \_\_\_\_\_ (a roll of tape, a stapler, a whisk, a foreign object, etc.) is not a \_\_\_\_\_. It is a \_\_\_\_\_ (The student repurposes the object and uses their imagination, pantomime skills, and a brief bit of storytelling to transform the object into something else.)

Pass the object around the circle so that everyone gets a turn.

This activity helps prime students to cultivate curiosity by tapping into their observation and imagination skills. It helps them practice divergent thinking and opens up new perspectives and ways of seeing. It's also a lot of fun!