

## **Pirating Authority**

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### **FORMAT:**

Stage exercise

Duration: 60 to 90 minutes

### **PURPOSE:**

### **SETUP:**

### **INTRO / BACKGROUND:**

One of the most difficult qualities to call out of a person in a group is the quality of being a responsibly powerful individual. If the person wanted to be a powerful individual why would they be in a group anyway?

Pirating authority is done with the gremlin used with responsibility, respect and elegance to serve the space. The action well executed is not personal to the present authority of the space.

### **INSTRUCTIONS / PROCEDURE:**

- **STEP 1:**  
List things that you could do if you were not afraid of feeling the fear of doing the thing.  
Note: use no conditions on your list, such as "If", "Could", "Would".
- **STEP 2:**  
Add a few. Each participant one at a time reads their list. Then trainer and participants add a few. Participant writes them down and then chooses one for no reason.
- **STEP 3:**  
One person goes up on stage and starts to make a presentation about their chosen action step. Other participants pirate the authority of the space with responsibility and elegance. If the speaker is silent for 30 seconds they must sit down.

### **DEBRIEF:**