

# **Theatre Virtual Learning**

Acting III & Acting IV
Laughter is the Best Medicine

Date: May 7, 2020



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### **Objective/Learning Target:**

Students will explore types of comedy films and comedic film actors.



## **Laughter is the Best Medicine!**



# Let's Get Started / Warm Up Activities:

Who in your life makes you laugh? Why/how do they make you laugh? It would be nice to take a moment to let them know this!



#### Lesson: Comedic films and their stars!



1. First, read part one about comedy film on the AMC Filmsite linked below. As you are reading, make a t-chart to keep on one side listing the types of film comedies and then write a description in the second column.

#### **AMC Filmsite: Comedy, Part One**

2. Next, use the link below of the American Film Institute's Top 100 comedies of all time, and see how many you have seen!

#### **America's 100 Greatest Comedies**



#### Practice: Who is your favorite comic film actor?

Today, you will choose a comedic film actor, research, explore, and do the following:

- 1. Learn biographical information (born, family life, schooling, etc.)
- 2. How or why did they get started in comedy?
- 3. Who influences them in their comedic styles?
- 4. What career milestones or awards have they experienced?
- 5. Why did you choose them?
- 6. Last but not least, if you were to suggest to your friend or family, a work of your favorite comedian, what would it be and why?

(Bonus: Go rewatch something they performed or watch something new...sit back...laugh...I hear it can be the best medicine!)