

KING MIDAS

King Midas was a rich and famous king, but he was also very greedy. He wanted gold, gold and more gold! One day King Midas did one of the gods a favor and got a wish in return. He asked for the magic skill to turn everything he touched into gold. This was a marvelous gift when King Midas touched a rock or a twig, but not so great when it was food or his daughter. If you were King Midas, perhaps you could make a different choice about how your touch changes objects! But would it be better?!

Challenge: Invent a new talent for King Midas' touch and create a performance about the consequences of this skill.

Time: Part One: You will have 3 minutes to decide on a new ability for King Midas that occurs when he touches something and develop a skit to explain what happens next.

Part Two: You will have one minute to present your solution for the appraisers.

Materials: a sheet of paper and a pencil (for planning your solution only)

Scoring: up to 10 points for the creativity of King Midas' new talent
up to 40 points for the creativity of the results of using that talent
up to 15 points for the effectiveness of the presentation
up to 35 points for participation of all team members in the skit