

LOGAN. We need to get our creative juices flowing and figure out what our options are to celebrate Native Americans without them. Let's act.

(JAXTON, ALICIA, and CADEN turn in circles a bit, not sure where to face.)

ALICIA. Which way is downstage?

LOGAN. It doesn't matter in an improv. You just react.

(They wander a bit, not able to define a space.)

Let's put the audience here.

(They all face LOGAN downstage and fall into line.)

You're at a pilgrim's house preparing the meal for the first Thanksgiving.

(They move chairs around.)

ALICIA. I feel like it's my house.

LOGAN. Fine. Let's leave the rest of the discoveries for the improv.

(They mime preparing foods. Perhaps too graphically.)

JAXTON. Wait. Didn't we get this food from Native American people?

ALICIA. Yeah, isn't that the whole point of Thanksgiving? To thank the Native people for saving us from... something...with food?

CADEN. Starvation.

ALICIA. We should totally thank them for that.

JAXTON. Why are we fixing this food if it was a gift?

LOGAN. The Pilgrims must have done some of the actual preparation.

JAXTON. But without any Native American people to guide them?

CADEN. Actually –

LOGAN. OK, you're sitting down to eat the dinner that is already prepared.

(ALICIA sits across from JAXTON and CADEN. They mime eating. Have fun.)

ALICIA. Would you like more stuffing?

CADEN. Stuffing is a modern dish. A more likely side considering the efficiency of the early settlers would be a type of sweetbreads or pate.

LOGAN. Caden, we call improv a world of yes. We don't judge or try to make sense of choices, we simply say "yes" and see where it leads us.

CADEN. So sorry.

(To ALICIA.) Yes, I would love some, what did you call it? Stuffing?

ALICIA. I was mistaken. It's corn. Native American corn.

CADEN. Thank you.

JAXTON. This meal is wonderful.

ALICIA. Without our Native American neighbors...in the next room, we would be dead. From starvation.

CADEN. *(Pleased.)* Yes. We owe them thanks.

ALICIA. I thanked them.

JAXTON. Good.

(They mime-eat in silence. For awhile.)