

1-Minute Film Script – Group Prompt & Planning Sheet

Work together in your group to plan a 1-minute film. Use this guide to shape your story, characters, and scenes using key screenwriting concepts. Keep it simple, focused, and shootable within your available space.

1. Story Info

- Working Title: _____
- Genre (circle one): Comedy | Drama | Thriller | Mystery | Romance | Horror | Absurd | Other: _____
- Tone (circle one): Serious | Funny | Surreal | Action | Poetic
- Theme (What's it really about?): _____

2. Characters

- Main Character(s): _____
- What do they want (Goal)? _____
- What's stopping them (Obstacle)? _____
- Do they change by the end? Yes / No – How? _____

3. Story Beats (Use This for a 1-Minute Script)

- ****Opening Image**** – First moment or visual: _____
- ****Inciting Incident**** – The moment that starts the story: _____
- ****Turning Point / Midpoint**** – When something changes: _____
- ****Climax**** – Peak tension or confrontation: _____
- ****Resolution / Final Image**** – What's the final moment? _____

4. Where & How?

Choose one or more locations:

- ☐ Main Hall ☐ Stage ☐ Kitchen ☐ Piano Area ☐ Outside ☐ Other: _____

- Key props or costumes to use: _____
- Any special camera angles or editing ideas? _____

5. Write a Few Key Lines or Moments

- Memorable line of dialogue: _____
- Sound effect or moment of silence: _____
- Action or twist: _____

6. Who's Doing What?

- Director: _____
- Writer(s): _____
- Actor(s): _____
- Camera & Editing: _____

7. Final Checklist Before Shooting

- ☐ Our story has a beginning, middle, and end.
- ☐ We have chosen a clear genre and tone.
- ☐ We know what our main character wants.
- ☐ There is a change or twist in the story.
- ☐ We've decided how it ends.
- ☐ Everyone in the group has a clear role.