

General Crisis Overview

- Pretty much just a presentation of the powerpoint
- Then, talk about effective directives, crisis notes
- Making crisis arcs

Topic: Generic Presidential Cabinet

Background: There's a terrorist threat on a US Army base, but we don't know which group the terrorists belong to or really anything. But, we're America, and we gotta show these people that nobody messes with us. So go show them that.

1. Chief of Staff
2. CIA Director
3. Vice President
4. US Ambassador to the UN
5. Secretary of Interior
6. Secretary of State
7. Secretary of Homeland Security
8. Secretary of Defense
9. Secretary of Treasury
10. Foreign Secretary
11. Attorney General
12. Secretary of Energy

What we're putting them through

- I'm thinking that we should give them 5-10 minutes to collect themselves and come up with some kind of crisis arc
- I don't think we should have them speak just yet. Since we have like 1.5 hours we can start them off just writing and analyzing arcs and then make them slowly ease in speaking because saying random stuff is usually the easier part.
- I was thinking like we let them think for like 5 mins about an arc and then give them like 10 mins to write down a series of steps they can use to accomplish it.
 - With contingency plans for their steps?
 - Sure just have them write out the basic steps they'd take and then start writing specific notes and storyline
 - I'm thinking like having that as an intro and then going into using the room and the discussions to lead your arcs - and that's where we'd start going into actually talking.

How It's Going to Go

- People enter the room, find seats
 - We jump down their throats about what seating says about them
- 5-10 minute explanation of what we're doing (so a summary of this summary)
 - Hand out positions
 - Give time to develop arcs, ideas (~15 minutes)
- Shame the people whose end goals were either to start a revolution or become the pres of something
 - Go through crisis arcs
 - Maybe point out how some go along with each other/would make other people's' goals hard to accomplish
 - Long term goals
- Throw a sample crisis at them
 - Have them first write personal notes trying to solve it
 - Then, have them work together however they choose (don't need formally written papers, just notes on what they want to do and how they'll do it)
 - Make the point that other people are still necessary here
- Go through how to write directives well
 - Maybe make a benefits/disadvantages chart for directives+personal actions
- Start speaking