



FROM THE TOP

Activity 1: Making the Most of your Experience

Objective

Help students make the most of their experience attending *From the Top with Host Christopher O’Riley*. Students learn about the musicians they will meet, formulate questions to help focus their attention, and reflect on their show experience.

Materials

Meet the Musicians profiles (provided)

Procedure

Before the show

- Hand out and read “Meet the Musicians” profiles.
- Ask students to generate questions they have for the musicians.

After the show

- Choose any or all of the five questions below to help students reflect on their experience.
 1. What was your favorite piece on the program and why?
 2. Which musician did you connect with or relate to the most and why?
 3. How would you describe the overall experience to someone who was not there?
 4. If you had a microphone and the ear of hundreds of thousands of listeners across NPR, what stories would you tell about yourself?
 5. If you could start a podcast or radio show celebrating music in the hands of America’s kids, what elements would your show include? Why?

There’s more!

We encourage you and your students to visit From the Top’s website for a full radio show archive and a growing video library of artist stories, pop-classical music videos, and behind-the-scenes vignettes. Visit us at www.fromthetop.org or find us on YouTube.