

## 12. Cooperation

**Topic:** A skit about diverse personalities trying to work together.

**Cast:**

MIGUEL: serious, the leader

QUINCY: bored and lazy

WILL: comic relief

- 1       *(All three GUYS are sitting on the floor. They are surrounded*  
 2       *by maps, textbooks, notebooks, pens, and anything that*  
 3       *looks like it might be related to Civil War research.)*  
 4   **MIGUEL:** Guys, we are *never* gonna get this thing done.  
 5   **QUINCY:** It's stupid. I don't care if we never get done. I  
 6       don't want to do it.  
 7   **WILL:** Did you ever notice how when Brad laughs when he's  
 8       drinking milk it comes out of his nose?  
 9   **MIGUEL:** No, I never noticed and why aren't you working on  
 10       this project?  
 11   **QUINCY:** Because it's stupid and we don't want to do it.  
 12   **MIGUEL:** I don't think that's one of the choices Mrs. Davis  
 13       gave us, Quincy.  
 14   **WILL:** It should have been. Choice D: Do *not* do any project  
 15       on the Civil War, go home, play video games for four  
 16       hours, and then report your scores to the class  
 17       tomorrow. Now *that's* a project I could get into.  
 18   **QUINCY:** Do we have a half day Friday?  
 19   **MIGUEL:** Can we at least see what we have so far?  
 20   **QUINCY:** OK, I'll read my paper. "Do you think we have a  
 21       half day on Friday?"  
 22   **WILL:** *(Laughing)* That's more than I have!  
 23   **MIGUEL:** I give up! She could have put me with Shannon or  
 24       Mike, but *no!* I end up with Dumb and Dumber here.  
 25   **QUINCY:** Yeah, but which one is Dumber?

- 1   **QUINCY and WILL:** *(Pause. Point to each other and yell.) You*  
 2       *are!*  
 3   **MIGUEL:** *(Almost to himself)* Is murder still against the law in  
 4       this state?  
 5   **WILL:** I loved that movie. Jim Carey is so weird!  
 6   **QUINCY:** Did you see the sequel? It wasn't as good as the  
 7       first one but it was still funny.  
 8   **MIGUEL:** Dear Diary: Today I killed two of my classmates  
 9       and now I will spend the rest of my years in prison ...  
 10   **WILL:** You know, guys, we really should stop fooling around  
 11       and get to work on this.  
 12   **QUINCY:** Yeah, Miguel, quit goofing off and get down to  
 13       work.  
 14   **MIGUEL:** *I want my mommy!*