Seeing the Kingdom of God through Parables

Your group will be assigned one parable or group of parables from the Gospel of Matthew. Read the parable to understand what it reveals about the Kingdom of God and then create a skit to perform in class. Choose one person in your group to read the parable while the other members create a skit to accompany the words.

Use the following questions to interpret the meaning of your parable:
1. Parables compare two things. What is being compared?
2. Parables use images from everyday life. What images do you notice?
3. Parables usually end with a surprise, an unexpected twist. What is surprising about the way this parable ends?
4. Parables reveal some aspect of the Reign of God. What aspect did you observe?

Use the following parables from Matthew to create skits:

- The Sower (Matthew 13:3–8)
- The Mustard Seed and the Yeast (Matthew 13:31–33)
- The Treasure, the Pearl of Great Price, and the Net Thrown into the Sea (Matthew 13:44–50)
- The Lost Sheep (Matthew 18:10–14)
- The Unforgiving Servant (Matthew 18:21–35)