

## Doing the Wave: A Sample Script

Following is a sample script taken from Rosalind Flynn's book *Dramatizing the Content With Curriculum-Based Readers Theatre* (2007) that makes learning about the science of light and sound waves a theatrical experience. Used with permission of the International Reading Association.

**All:** *We're here to tell you about The Wave!*

**All:** *[Gesturing and making the noise of the stadium "wave"]*

**First speaker:** *Not that kind of wave!*

**All:** *[Making noises of confusion]*

**First speaker:** *Wave as in light and sound waves!*

**All:** *Ohhhhh. [Gesturing]*

**Second speaker:** *There are many different parts to a wave.*

**Third speaker:** *What kinds of parts?*

**Fourth speaker:** *Duh, haven't you heard?*

**Second speaker:** *There's amplitude!*

**Third speaker:** *Ampli-what?*

**All:** *Amplitude! [Sound effect]*

**Fifth speaker:** *And you better improve your attitude, son!*

**Third speaker:** *Yes, sir!*

**Fifth speaker:** *Amplitude is the height of a wave from its midpoint.*

**All:** *Amplitude [Sound effect]—the height of a wave from its midpoint.*

**Third speaker:** *Can you put that in my terms?*

**Sixth speaker:** *[Whispers] I hate learning about these boring waves.*

**Seventh speaker:** *Shhhhh!*

**Fifth speaker:** *Amplitude indicates the amount of energy carried in the wave.*

